

# Newscaster

February 2018







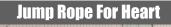






Fall Food Drive

# CV Cares











Pennies for Patients - Chenango Bridge Elementary's Student Council conducted a school-wide "Pennies for Patients" campaign in January. In less than a month, the elementary school collected a total of \$2,113.81 in change, which will be donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Big Gifted Give - The annual "Big Gifted Give" fundraising event (supported by Interact Club, Junior/Senior Honor Society and SADD) was held in the Chenango Valley High School Gymnasium on February 3. The event was full of community spirit and wonderful performances. The cost of admission was a donation of money or food. There were also raffles and concessions. More than \$7,000 was raised. All proceeds will go back to the community including the CV Warrior Fund, Catherine's Cupboard, and two CV families affected by cancer.

Jump Rope for Heart - Port Dickinson Elementary's "Jump Rope for Heart" campaign kicked off in January, and Chenango Bridge Elementary's began in early February. The American Heart Association fundraising campaign also helps to teach students to make heart-healthy choices such as exercising daily and drinking more water. Port Dickinson Elementary students started their physical education unit focused on heart health in early February.

Fall Food Drive - Thank you to all who contributed to Chenango Valley's annual Fall Food Drive! Food donations were collected from the end of October through the middle of November. The event was able to help 35 families and fill CV's Food Pantry for anyone else in need of assistance.

# **CVCSD Capital Project Update**

On December 5, 2017 voters approved a capital improvements project that will address top priority maintenance repairs and improvements at the district. A major emphasis of the project is upgrading the appearance of Port Dickinson and Chenango Bridge elementary schools, similar to the project that was completed 15 years ago at the middle school/high school. The project is scheduled to be completed in two phases. The first phase of the project has been designed, and sent to the State Education Department (SED) for approval. If a timely review is provided by SED, then the project will immediately go out for bidding, and be constructed this summer.

Phase 1 consists of the following scope items:

- Window replacement at Chenango Bridge and Port Dickinson
- Bus loop and sidewalk replacement at Port Dickinson
- Parking lot replacement at Chenango Bridge
- Rear drive replacement at the middle school/high school
- Softball/multi-purpose field parking lot pavement
- Stadium lighting
- Masonry restoration at all buildings



(Conceptual Design of the MS/HS Sustainable Classroom)

The balance of the project will be completed in Phase 2, including significant renovations to existing spaces. Our architect, BCK-IBI Group, has begun programming meetings with district staff to discuss how the spaces will be designed. After the initial programming meetings, BCK-IBI Group will prepare designs of each space for district staff to review and comment on. Because the Phase 2 project has a much greater and complicated scope of work, it is anticipated to be submitted to SED in August 2018 with the goal of starting construction in 2019. Construction sequencing of Phase 2 is currently being investigated due to the magnitude of the work.

# **Upcoming Budget Workshops**

Each workshop begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Chenango Valley Middle School/High School Library.

- Budget Workshop #1 February 26, 2018
  - Budget Workshop #2 March 12, 2018
  - Budget Workshop #3 April 9, 2018

# **Holiday Program Expresses Gratitude**

A BIG thank you to everyone who participated in the Holiday Program this year; it was a great success once again. We reached out to many families thanks to the generous gifts and personal time that were donated. Thank you to the numerous clubs, organizations, and individuals who were kind enough to take a tag from the "Giving Wreath" -- the program would not be a success without all of your help. Thank you all!

# **CV Elementary Students Explore Augmented Reality**

Students at Chenango Bridge and Port Dickinson Elementary explored augmented reality in their STEAM classrooms. Through an app called Quiver, students colored on education worksheets. Using the app on iPads, pieces of their artwork came to life and allowed for interactive play.







## 'Wreaths Across America' Honors Veterans

On December 16, members of Chenango Valley High School's Business Club and ninth grade students in Girl Scout Troop #30966 were among community members, veterans, local politicians and members of local businesses who helped to put wreaths on the graves of U.S. veterans laid to rest in the Chenango Valley Cemetery. The event was part of a nationwide "Wreaths Across America Day" movement.









(Photo Courtesy of Karl Krause)

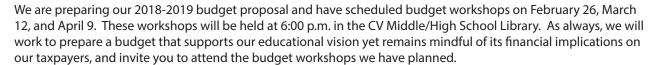
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# **Message from the Superintendent**

Dear CV Community,

It is hard to believe the first semester of the 2017-2018 school year has already ended! As we have moved into the second half of the school year, we continue to focus on emphasizing academic rigor for all students. The faculty and staff continue to do an excellent job in preparing our students for the future.

The last phase of the current capital project is finally nearing completion, and we have greatly appreciated your patience over these past months, especially the staff, students, and families of Port Dickinson Elementary School, where we experienced an issue with the building's newly-installed fire system. We are presently in the initial planning stages for our next capital project which was recently approved by district voters. This project will primarily focus on upgrades to both the Port Dickinson and Chenango Bridge elementary schools.





David P. Gill, EdD Superintendent

In closing, thank you for embracing our mission to "Inspire, Engage, and Empower" our students to be their very best. We value our involved families, Civic Associations, and community partners. Chenango Valley is an excellent educational institution with strong community support, and we thank you for helping to make our school district shine!

Sincerely,

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David P. Gill, EdD Superintendent of Schools

# **Message from the Board of Education President**



Kelly Warwick Board President

I am always in awe of our community support. Our capital project was overwhelmingly approved and we, as board members, are so excited for the work to begin. Of course, our buildings have undergone major improvements in the last project and we were able to visit, as a group, both elementary buildings. In November, we held our board meeting at Chenango Bridge Elementary. We were given a tour by some incredible student council members. The upgrades, especially in the kitchen, are fantastic. This past January, we held our monthly meeting at Port Dickinson Elementary. We were able to see the new entrance and multi-purpose room upgrades. We were also able to see some of the areas that will be addressed in the new project. Thanks to our taxpayers and supporters, we are able to provide a stellar education in a conducive learning environment. We sincerely thank you for your vote.

Our Vice President Casey Egan Doyle and I have been on a "listening tour" this year. With the support of Dr. Gill, we have met with many of our dedicated staff members, including teachers, support staff, and facilities and operations personnel, to listen to their input regarding what is going on in our schools. We asked them to bring us exciting things that are happening, innovative ideas they may have, and concerns they would like help problem

solving. It has been an absolutely wonderful experience and we look forward to meeting with transportation and administration personnel. This experience has reinforced our constant belief that our students are being educated and impacted by some of the best.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to congratulate CV Superintendent David Gill on achieving his doctorate. It is quite an accomplishment and we are all so very proud of him. It takes a tremendous amount of work and dedication. His leadership is valued and we are lucky to have him to oversee our district.

As always, we encourage everyone to attend our monthly board meetings and our committee meetings. Our first budget workshop will take place February 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. It is an open meeting and we invite you all to attend. We will be working through the process to align the budget with the district's goals and priorities. We thank you for the opportunity to serve the district.

Sincerely, Kelly Warwick President, Chenango Valley School Board



After years of hard work and dedication, Chenango Valley Central School District Superintendent David P. Gill earned his doctorate in educational leadership and curriculum instruction from the University of Phoenix in January 2018.

Congratulations, David P. Gill, EdD!

# **Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Sign-Up** for 2018-2019 School Year

If you have a child who will be four or five years old by December 1, 2018, please call the appropriate number below:

762-6975 for four-year-old children (pre-kindergarten) 762-6970 for five-year-old children (kindergarten)

You will be placed on a mailing list to receive information about pre-kindergarten registration (four year olds) or kindergarten registration (five year olds). Parent Information Nights and registration for both will be held in March and April.

Please note: If your child is currently enrolled in the pre-kindergarten program at Port Dickinson for the 2017-2018 school year, they will automatically be enrolled for kindergarten beginning in September 2018.



# Honor Society Members Help Organize CV Clothing Closet (Article/Photos Submitted By: Heather Kogut)

Over winter break, several Junior and Senior Honor Society members, led by club advisors, Mrs. Amanda Wheeler and Mrs. Heather Kogut, volunteered their time to help clean out and organize the district's clothing closet. This is an ongoing effort by the Honor Society to maintain organization and make the room feel friendly and inviting to anyone who may need the services of the clothing closet. The clothing closet is a room that houses clothing, prom and semi-formal apparel, toiletries, warm coats, shoes, and any other items that students in difficult financial situations may need. This room is available to all of our Chenango Valley students. If a student is in need, please see the guidance office and they will make the room available to that student.

Students who volunteered: Alexa Attleson, Taylor Potenziano, Marrissa Rogers, Samantha Scott, Madison Perrault, and Natalie Lehr









# Hillcrest Fire Department and Santa Help CV Food Pantry

As part of an annual holiday tradition, the Hillcrest Fire Department held a special evening on December 16 where "Santa" visited with families and children in Hillcrest. "Santa" also collected food items for those in need.

This year, the Hillcrest Fire Department donated more than 15 boxes of food to the CV Food Pantry. The food will be used to assist CV families throughout the year.

For the last few years, "Santa" has also collected food for CHOW and Catherine's Cupboard.





(Photos Courtesy of Jackie Arnold)

# **The Science of Success:**

How Training the Mind and Nutrition Affect Athletic and Scholastic Performance

Chenango Valley Central School District invites you to join us for a seminar on *Wednesday, March 28 from* 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at Chenango Valley High School entitled "The Science of Success: How Training the Mind and Nutrition Affect Athletic and Scholastic Performance." This seminar is for parents and students alike, and will focus on the power of the mind and the value of nutrition. Participants will be taught strategies and lessons that can be implemented in their day-to-day lives.

We are thrilled to announce the evening's presenters will be Mr. Bill Clark, CV High School government, economics, and AP Psychology teacher, and Mr. Trent Patterson, CV Middle/High School security officer. In addition to their positions at CV, Mr. Clark and Mr. Patterson recently co-authored a book called "Lifting Spirits: World Champion Advice for Everyday Living."

Mr. Clark is a weightlifting world champion and record holder, and is an international Olympic weightlifting champion. He will discuss the science behind a positive thinker and share how neural pathway creation and the central nervous system can be developed to maximize countless opportunities. Mr. Clark will also share the same mental and emotional training techniques taught and used at Olympic training centers.

Mr. Patterson, University of Alabama football star, television's *Biggest Loser* competitor, and certified strength, nutrition & movement specialist, is a firm believer that the mind and body need the proper fuel to reach personal excellence. Mr. Patterson will not only teach you how to eat and drink like a winner, he will educate you in the timing of meals, which foods to eat and when, and the biological effects food has on our bodies.

Following the seminar, Mr. Clark and Mr. Patterson will be on hand to sign books and answer questions. We hope to see you at what promises to be a motivating and educational seminar packed with information and tools you can use every day!

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2018 6:30 - 8:00 P.M. | CHENANGO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL



Mr. Clark, Mr. Patterson, and Chenango Valley High School junior Jeffrey Rice were recognized for their dedication put into creating the book "Lifting Spirits: World Champion Advice for Everyday Living" at a CV Board of Education meeting on January 17.

Rice designed the book's cover. Mr. Clark and Mr. Patterson were the book's coauthors. Wonderful job to all on their hard work!

Representatives from Port Dickinson Elementary discussed the school's Morning Program objectives at January's BOE meeting. They also shared a demonstration regarding "walking a mile in someone else's shoes."







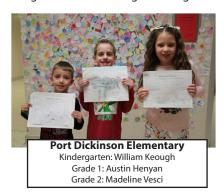


Members of the Chenango Bridge Elementary Student Council did a great job giving Chenango Valley's Board of Education a tour when the November BOE meeting was held at the elementary school.

# CV Elementary Students Design Upgrades for Santa's Sleigh

In a collaboration between the Reading Promise and STEAM, students at Port Dickinson and Chenango Bridge Elementary were given a "Santa Sleigh Design Challenge." They were asked to design Santa a new sleigh with any upgrades they saw fit for the 21st century. Teachers then chose one sled from each of their classrooms to submit to the challenge's Selection Committee. It was a tough choice for the Selection Committee. In fact, it was so tough that the group decided to choose a winner from each grade level!

Some of CV's engineering students will bring the designs to life on 3D printers as part of their classwork.





Grade 5: Tony Zheng

# **Lunch With a Side of Productive Discussion**

On December 18, Chenango Valley Superintendent Dr. Gill and Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Feyerabend enjoyed lunch and conversation with members of Chenango Bridge Elementary's Student Council, CBE Principal Mrs. Hammond, and CBE Student Council Advisor Ms. Heller.





(Photo By: Dr. Gill)

# **CVHS Child Psychology Class Reads to Port Dickinson Elementary Students**

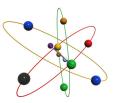


As part of a final project, students in Mrs. Chavez's high school Child Psychology class wrote and illustrated their very own children's books. On January 25, they shared their stories with students in Mrs. Hess and Mrs. Hoyt's classes at Port Dickinson Elementary. It was a great opportunity for both the younger and older students to interact and share a love for literature.

# **Reading Promise Winners**

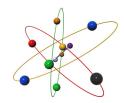


Reading Promise winners in Mrs. Shelepak, Mrs. White, Mrs. DeVincentiis, Mrs. DeBellis, Mrs. Shafer, and Mrs. Reardon's classes enjoyed donuts, cider... and, of course, books!



# STEAM NIGHT 2018

# Wednesday, February 28 - 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. (CV Middle School Cardboard Boat Races begin at 5:00 p.m.)



STEAM Night is a wonderful event to celebrate the areas of **S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **A**rt, and **M**ath! STEAM Night will take place February 28, 2018. Most activities will be held in the Chenango Valley Middle School.

The night will kick off with CV Middle School Cardboard Boat Races at the middle school/high school pool. Boats line up at 4:30 p.m., judging begins at 4:45 p.m., and races start at 5:00 p.m.

STEAM Night activity stations will get underway at 6:00 p.m. and continue until 7:30 p.m. Students in grades K-12 can participate in a variety of interactive STEAM activities including a K-5 room, and a new 6-8 room designed specifically for middle school students! Those who attend can also watch some Rube Goldberg machines in action, speak with representatives from local businesses and universities, and view sixth grade science projects. *You don't want to miss this exciting, free, and educational event!* 

#### Full STEAM Ahead

(Article/Photos Submitted By: Sarah Latimer)

We're beating the winter blues in STEAM by keeping busy with projects. Our kindergarten students at Port Dickinson have been busy building homes for arctic animals and ever-popular, 3D shapes made with marshmallows and toothpicks. First grade learned about symmetry by designing snowflakes. Second grade learned about force and motion by performing experiments to demonstrate force, motion, push and pull, and gravity. Now, our first and second graders are learning about coding with the Bee-Bots and Scratch Jr.

At Chenango Bridge our fifth graders have been preparing for their shoe fashion show. Students worked with partners to create a pair of shoes using just tape and recycled newspaper. They are putting together a presentation of the shoes with one student modeling them. Our other grade levels are beginning to use our robots Dash and Dot, starting by getting their robot driver's licenses. They build code using Scratch Jr. to get the robots to perform a series of tasks. Through the "Ag in the Classroom" program fourth and fifth grade students explored "agri-future" opportunities with a visit from Cornell Cooperative Extension representatives... and goats! Third grade students got a visit from Captain the goat in November 2017. Thank you to NYS Senator Fred Akshar, Broome-Tioga BOCES and Cornell Cooperative Extension for making this fun and educational program possible at our schools!

The secondary level has been busy too! Mr. Case's eighth graders just finished building puzzle cubes out of wood. First they learned about design and 3D technical drawing to make the plans for their projects. Then they constructed and painted their blocks. In the high school, our robotics team prepared to go to their first competition with their vex robot. They designed many, many versions of the robot to make it the most effective at stacking cones.















# 'Challenging Behaviors' Workshop Shares Helpful Tips

How can you help to encourage positive behaviors in children? This was a topic covered in a "Challenging Behaviors" workshop on December 5. The workshop, presented by Behavioral Specialist Stacy Smith, was held in the Chenango Valley Middle School/High School Library. It discussed why a behavior may be occurring and the top ten strategies for helping to promote positive behaviors in children ages Pre-K to middle school.

Parents, staff and community members who attended the workshop learned proactive ways to help prevent challenging behaviors, as well as beneficial strategies to help deal with challenging behaviors that are already taking place. Some of the workshop's topics included creating structure/routine in children's lives, creating a supportive environment, setting clear rules and expectations, teaching replacement behaviors, creating a nurturing relationship with children, and making each situation an opportunity for growth. Those who attended also took part in activities to help them implement these helpful tips.

During the workshop, younger children had the opportunity to enjoy winter-themed crafts and movies in the Chenango Valley High School Cafeteria. Students from CV High School's Interact Club helped out with these activities.





# Wellness Day 2017 (Article Submitted By: Beth Hubenthal)

The 11th annual CV Middle School Wellness Day was another success. Students were exposed to all different areas of health and wellness in a series of interactive presentations from staff within the district and community members.

The day started with a keynote speech from Mr. Joel Bennett, local motivational speaker and PE teacher at Windsor. Mr. Bennett played in the Major Leagues with the Baltimore Orioles and the Philadelphia Phillies.

The activity for Olweus classroom meetings on this day was "What is your sentence?" Mr. Bennett included this message in his speech, and then students were given the opportunity to begin to think about who they are and who they want to be.

#### Sixth grade presenters:

- Carmen and Michael Rojas-Trout: Salsa, Bachata and Cha-Cha Dancing
- Deputy Stapleton: Cyber-Safety
- Trooper Shive and K-9 Clark
- · Ann Marie Faughnan: Fitness/Her experience training and participating in an Iron Man event
- · Carolyn Allen and Tina Conklin: Literacy
- Tara Shadduck: Nutrition

#### Seventh and eighth grade presenters:

- ADEPT (Alcohol and Drug Education and Prevention Team)
- Core Life and GSR Fitness: Healthy food choices and fitness made fun
- · Ms. Ann: Yoga
- CJ Stulir and Jamie Michalak (With Cathy Lyons): Zumba
- Meghan Libous: Essential oils and their use in our everyday life

The eighth graders also participated in a leadership seminar with Mr. Bill Clark (HS Social Studies teacher) and Mr. Eric Attleson (MS principal), while the seventh graders had some fun in the pool!

#### Thank you to all who helped to make this event possible!

























# Chenango Valley High School Business Club's 7th annual Dodgeball Tournament



March 1\* | 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Chenango Valley High School Gymnasium Tickets: \$2 for Adults | Free for K-12 Students



#### Proceeds will benefit the CVHS Business Club

(\*Snow Date: March 2)

Interested in joining the Chenango Valley Elementary PTA?

You can sign up online by visiting:

https://nyspta.force.com/NewMemberRegistration?unit=15-250

You can also contact the PTA's membership chairperson Lisa Sabol: Lksabol@gmail.com

# CV Staff Members Enjoy Student-Made Thanksgiving Brunch

Students in Mrs. Chavez's Gourmet Foods class treated some of our CV staff members to a delicious Thanksgiving Brunch on the morning of November 16!



# **Mentoring Club Teaches Lessons, Engages Social Interaction**

(Article/Photo Submitted By: Cathy Lyons)

What is Mentoring Club? It is a club at Chenango Bridge Elementary School that is supervised by Mrs. Cathy Lyons (CB Elementary PE teacher) and Eric Coleman (CV High School teacher). CVHS students apply to be a mentor for our CBE students who are recommended by their classroom teachers. The club has been in existence for several years. The HS students are paired with the CBE students and work one-on-one with them on academics, social skills and physical activities.

Sessions demonstrate teamwork, cooperation, and communication, as well as personal and social responsibility amongst our students. The CBE students look forward to our Tuesday after-school meetings. It is great to see their smiling faces and laughter while engaging socially.





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# **CVCSD Teachers Take Part in IEP Development**

On January 22, special education teachers from Chenango Valley elementary schools visited Chenango Valley High School to take part in a day-long workshop focused on IEP (Individualized Education Program) development.

Led by Tuesday Mishook, Regional Special Education Training Specialist, and Tara Williams Whittaker, Chenango Valley Central School District Director of Special Education, the goal of this workshop was to help teachers improve practices to create well-developed IEP measurable goals, and tools to progress monitor those goals.

The workshop covered topics including reviewing regulations, best practices in writing present levels of performance, creating measurable goals, and progress monitoring those goals to inform instruction and future needs.

CV Middle School and High School special education teachers worked in a similar workshop earlier this school year with Regional Transition Specialist Stacy McCann.





# CV Administrators, BOE Members Assist 'Backpack Program'



On November 29, some of Chenango Valley Central School District's administrators and Board of Education members helped the Food Bank of the Southern Tier to pack bags of donated food items for its "Backpack Program" to assist local children in need.

The program provides children around the region who may not have access to proper nourishment when school is not in session with food-filled backpacks for over the weekend/holidays.

# 'Warrior Basics' Teaches Ways to Develop Learning Skills in Infants, Toddlers

A meeting to help implement a program called "Warrior Basics" was held on November 29 in the Chenango Valley Middle/High School Library. CV Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Michelle Feyerabend oversaw the meeting, which included discussion and group activities to help develop ways to prepare infants and toddlers for school-aged education.

"Warrior Basics" helps to teach simple, key actions that parents/guardians can take to help their child develop the ability to think and grasp information. A presentation at this meeting included these "basics":

- · Maximize love, manage stress
- Talk, sing and point
- Count, group and compare
- · Explore through movement and play
- Read and discuss stories

The goal is to spread the word and help parents/guardians in the CV community to raise children who are eager to learn and school-ready.

Representatives from organizations including Chenango Valley Central School District, Binghamton University, Chenango Bridge Pediatrics, Hillcrest Fire, Port Dickinson Police and Fire, the Broome County Sheriff's Office, Weis, Lowes, the Broome County Health Department, Chenango Bridge Nursery School, the Chenango Bridge Post Office, STIC, and the Fenton Free Library were among those who attended. These individuals and organizations will help to play a vital role in teamwork to make the program a success.

CV Board of Education member Mr. Jason Aurelio spoke with Mr. Krause's Junior Achievement entrepreneurship class on February 1 about topics including elements of a successful business start-up, myths and facts about entrepreneurship, and product development options.



Fifth Grade ELA teachers, Mrs. Zanot, Mrs. Shafer, and Mrs. White invited Korin Spencer and Debi Kellam from the Fenton Free Library to come and speak to the fifth grade students on December 21. The presentation was for the students to hear all about the wonderful activities and resources our local library offers to the community. Korin and Debi played a BINGO game with the students explaining all of the different genres the library has to offer, the computers that are available for use, and how to sign up for a library card. The students were so excited to play the game and learn all about our very own Fenton Free Library and what it has to offer.



Korin and Debi will be coming back in the spring to discuss their summer reading programs.

-Submitted By: Mary Lou Zanot, Carrie Shafer, and Teri White













The 2017 Chenango Valley Craft Fair was held at CV Middle School and High School on November 18. Thank you to all who helped to make this event possible!



# Chenango Valley Central School District Contact Guide (1)



Questions About	1st Contact	2nd Contact	3rd Contact	4th Contact	5th Contact
Academics	Teacher	School Counselor	Building Principal	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent
Athletics	Coach	Director of Pupil Services (Athletic Director)	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Behavior	Teacher	Building Principal	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
BOE Policies	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	Board of Education		
Budget	Business Executive	Superintendent			
Building Use	Director of Pupil Services	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent		
Cafeteria	Food Services Manager	Business Executive	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Classroom Procedures	Teacher	Building Principal	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Co-Curricular	Teacher	Building Principal	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Facilities	Director of Facilities	Business Executive	Superintendent		
Health Office	School Nurse	Building Principal	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Scheduling/ Grad Requirements	School Counselor	Building Principal	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent	
Special Education	Director of Special Education	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent		
Transportation	Bus Driver	Transportation Supervisor	Business Executive	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent

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Attendance Office.....

#### **CHENANGO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

(Grades: 9 - 12)

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# Presentation Shares Importance of 'Educating Minds and Hearts'

Parents, community members, and CV staff members attended a presentation called "Educating Minds and Hearts: The Importance of Teaching Social/Emotional Skills" that was held in the Chenango Valley Middle School/High School Library on January 23.

The presentation was led by members of the Parent Technical Assistance Center and the Early Childhood Education Center. It focused on why social and emotional skills are essential in order for children to be more successful in the early childcare and educational settings. The presentation also covered strategies on how to implement these skills, such as teaching children conflict resolution techniques, helping children to identify their emotions, and helping them to practice empathy.



# Chenango Valley High School Robotics Team Successful in First 'Vex Competition'

The Chenango Valley High School Robotics Team advanced to the quarterfinals in its first-ever "Vex Robotics Competition" in Elmira on February 3! Students began designing their complex robot in October, and worked hard during free periods and after school to get it prepared to compete. *Great job to all on their hard work and dedication!* 

Are you a budding engineer? The Chenango Valley Robotics Team is always looking for talented individuals to join! Contact Mr. Cass (ajcass@cvcsd.stier.org) to find out more information.











(Photos Provided By: AJ Cass)

Special "thank you" to our community for their generous donations to assist our Chenango Valley families!

-Jackie Arnold, HS Social Worker (607-762-6924)

# **Warrior Fund: Annual Report**

**September 2016 - June 2017** 

School supplies for 93 students & 50 Backpacks	10 winter coats, 15 winter boots, 8 snow pants	5 prom tickets for seniors
Assisted 230 families with Aldi gift cards to cover lunch and food issues at home and school	32 clothing purchases for a student in need of school and PE clothes and sneakers	5 students who joined sports and outside gymnastics/dance
7 students with prescriptions that were needed	24 gas cards for families transporting students to appointments	11 packs of bus passes to help students with transportation issues to work or medical appointments
21 scientific calculators	Eye glasses for 3 students	8 students assisted with class field trips
Clothing purchases for 9 students for winter wear	1 college application fee	50 families assisted with CV Holiday Program
27 review books for regents' review	2 NYSSMA fees for students	2 students with their BOCES materials for classes
Donations to cover lunch bills for 7 students	11 caps and gowns	9 year books for seniors

# **CHOW: CV Food Pantry**

September 2016 - June 2017

Families Served: 256 Children: 661 Adults: 187 Seniors: 19

Total Individuals Served: 876 CV Residents





Do you want to help preserve the pride and traditions of CV by building lasting relationships between the district, its graduates, and the community?

The CV Alumni Association is looking for CVHS graduates, employees, retirees, and friends of the district to help the organization fulfill that mission.

Interested? Fill out the form below to get involved. You can also visit www.cvcsd.stier.org/AlumniHome.aspx or contact CVAlumniAssoc@gmail.com to learn more about the organization. Keep up-to-date with the CV Alumni Association on its Facebook page by searching for "Chenango Valley High School Alumni Association" (https://www.facebook.com/groups/156487764899582/about/)



#### LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(one-time payment of \$25.00)

Name:	Graduation Year (if applicable):	
Maiden Name (if applicable):		
Address:		
Phone:		
E-mail:		
I can help in the following way(s):		
serving on a committee or workgroup	You do not need to be an alumnus to join us!	
serving as an officer of the association	If you love CV, we would love for you to join us!	
volunteering at events	ioi you to join us:	
helping to locate alumni/contact potential me	embers	
making a donation to the CV Alumni Associati dues payment.	on. My donation is included with my	
Some ideas that I would like to see for Alumni Ass	ociation events or activities:	

The mission of the Chenango Valley Alumni Association is to preserve and promote the learned ideals, shared traditions, and rich history of the Chenango Valley Schools -- and to strengthen intellectual ties and promote scholarship opportunities for the mutual benefit of current students, alumni, the district, and the community.

Please mail this completed form and payment to: Chenango Valley Alumni Association at the address below. Checks made payable to CV Alumni Association.

c/o Gary Hall 162 Monkey Run Road . Port Crane, NY 13833 . email: CValumniassoc@gmail.com

# **Athletics**



Congratulations to Chenango Valley girls JV bowling team: East Division Champions and JV STAC Champions!



(Photo By: Don Kunkel)

Congratulations to the CV boys varsity swim team: East Division Champions!

Congratulations to the girls varsity swim team: Ranked #5 in the NY State in Class B!





More than 80 CV students came out to Sunset Lanes to have a fun-filled afternoon for the CV bowling team's third annual Youth Day!



Congrats CV girls varsity cheer team who won first place in their division and grand champion at the U-E Winter Chill Classic!









Photos from the 3 x 3 Basketball Tournament held at Chenango Valley High School on December 30!



(Photo Provided By: Scott Klein)

(I-r) Front Row: Jack Buchinsky, Garrett Kraack, Marcus Hanyon, Tom Christoffersen, Dallin Cower, Anthony Forbidussi, Dom Testani, Jake Worden | Back Row: Coach Waymire, Austin Williams, Max Singer, Jack Fassett, Shane Ladd, Tom Eccleston, Rory Thompson, Coach Klein

Chenango Valley's JV boys basketball team won the Mark Woitach Tip Off Tournament at Johnson City High School on December 9!

14 -Coach Klein



(Photo Provided By: Scott Klein)

(l-r): Front Row: Garret Kraack, Tom Christoffersen, Jake Worden, Dom Testani, Dallin Cower, Coach Klein | Back Row: Coach Waymire, Jack Buchinsky, Marcus Hanyon, Max Singer, Tom Eccleston, Austin Williams, Jack Fassett, Shane Ladd (Not pictured: Anthony Forbidussi, Rory Thompson)

The JV boys basketball team beat Greene in the championship game at the Greene Holiday Tournament with a score of 45-16. Tournament MVP was Max Singer.

-Coach Klein

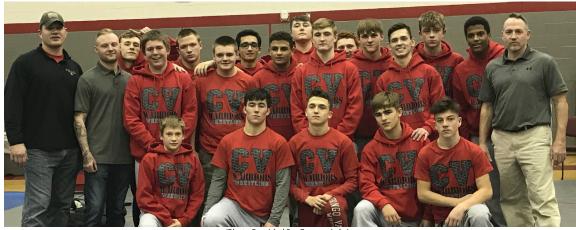
# **Athletics**

The 2017-2018 Winter STAC (Southern Tier Athletic Conference) Wrestling Championship was held at Chenango Valley High School from January 19 through January 20. Chenango Valley placed ninth out of 16 teams.









(Photo Provided By: Gregory Lehr)

Chenango Valley took first place in the Matt Fedish Dual Meet Tournament held at Chenango Valley High School on December 9.

These CV wrestlers went 5-0: Nathan Lehr, Cole Volpe, Brady Hope, Nate Aylward



(Photo Provided By: Gregory Lehr)

Nathan Lehr, a junior at CVHS, earned his 100th varsity career win on December 13 vs. Norwich.



(Photo Provided By: Scott Klein)

(l-r): Bottom: Nathan Klein, Ziggy Hill, Travis Kraack | Middle: Pat Buchinsky, Coach Aaron Waymire, Pat Giblin, Coach Bob Zanot, Dylan Ferry, Angelo Montemagno, Coach Scott Klein | Back: London Jeter, RJ Santacroce, Henry Stroka

Congratulation to boys varsity basketball coach Robert Zanot on reaching his 300th career victory as his team beat Whitney Point in the Greene Holiday Tournament in December!





# Theatre Guild to Perform 'Cinderella'

The Chenango Valley Theatre Guild will be presenting Rodgers & Hammerstein's "Cinderella" on February 23 and 24 at 7:00 p.m. and on February 25 at 2:00 p.m. in the CVHS Auditorium.

In this clever retelling of the beloved fairytale, Ella lives in the care of her wicked, self-absorbed stepmother Madame and Madame's two daughters, Charlotte and Gabrielle. Ella's only friends are the animals in the woods, "Crazy Marie," and the revolutionary student Jean-Michel. Meanwhile in another part of the kingdom, Prince Topher is trying to find himself and learn his place in the kingdom. When his scheming advisor Sebastian suggests throwing a ball so the prince could meet potential brides, Ella and Topher's different worlds collide.

We hope you can join us on this magical adventure!

For ticket information: visit www.cvcsd.stier.org, call (607) 762-6827 or email CVMusicalTickets@gmail.com.

Once upon a time at rehearsal...











16 (Photos By: Donald & Tina Kunkel)

# Chenango Valley Holiday Concerts

Chenango Bridge Elementary, Chenango Valley Middle School, and Chenango Valley High School Music Departments each put on wonderful holiday concert performances throughout the month of December! Fantastic job to all involved!

\*Chenango Valley High School\*







 $^*$ Chenango Valley Middle School $^*$ 







\*Chenango Bridge Elementary\*







Delightful holiday musical performances took place both at school and throughout the community during the month of December!



(Photo Provided By: Kevin Hammill)



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# High School Students' Art Shines in Regional Scholastic Competition

Chenango Valley art students' work shined in the 2018 Regional Scholastic Art Awards competition, with 10 CVHS student artists receiving a total of 16 awards. The students, from Mr. Fitzsimmons and Mr. Zanot's classes, were honored at a January 28 ceremony at the Clemens Center in Elmira. At the ceremony, Madeline Selby moved onto national competition with an "American Visions Best-in Show Award" for her drawing and illustration *Melo*. Allen Doan received a "Creative Arts Award" for both his sculpture and 2D portfolios.

The event was followed by a reception at the Arnot Art Museum's East Gallery, where each student's artwork will be on display through early March. Wonderful job to all on their artistic accomplishments!

Chenango Valley alum Megan Proutey ('17) also had her painting *Teeth!* on display in the Arnot Art Museum as part of the national "Art. Write.Now.Tour."



Madeline Selby with her drawing Melo which earned an American Visions Best-in-Show Award



Allen Doan's sculpture and 2D portfolios earned a Creative Arts Award



Megan Proutey ('17) with her national award winning painting *Teeth!* 



Senior Scholastic Students (I-r): Craig Salzman, Allen Doan, Jocelyn Schell, Megan Proutey ('17), Lauren Marble



Back (I-r): Allen Doan, Craig Salzman, Marrissa Rogers Front (I-r): Jocelyn Schell, Madeline Selby, Abigail Mercik, Megan Proutey ('17) (Not pictured: Addelynne Bixby, Christy Hanson, Julia Morgan, Kayla Ferris)

# **Scholastic Awards Competition**



American Visions Best-in-Show Silver Key Award - Madeline Selby *Melo* Robert Zanot, educator



Honorable Mention - Julia Morgan Textured Sage Bowl Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Honorable Mention - Addelynne Bixby Yarn Wig Hat Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Honorable Mention - Marrissa Rogers
Textured Bowl
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



(Photos Provided By: Andrew Fitzsimmons)

Silver Key Award- Craig Salzman

Green Raku Bowl

Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator

Honorable Mention - Abby Mercik American Sign Language Study: Y Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Honorable Mention - Jocelyn Schell Steampunk Container Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Honorable Mention - Kayla Ferris Something Lost Robert Zanot, educator



Honorable Mention - Christy Hanson Metallic Fish Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator

Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan



Honorable Mention - Addelynne Bixby Crochet Mug Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Silver Key Award - Lauren Marble
Samson

Silver Key Award - Jocelyn Schell Rice Bowl

Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Creative Arts Award
Honorable Mention - Allen Doan
Old Man
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan Head Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan Green Head Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan Demon Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan Argument! Robert Zanot, educator



Creative Arts Award

Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan The Bear Fox Robert Zanot, educator



Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan Self Portrait Robert Zanot, educator



**Creative Arts Award** 

Honorable Mention - Allen Doan

Light

Robert Zanot, educator

Creative Arts Award
Honorable Mention - Allen Doan
Aquatic Enemies
Robert Zanot, educator



Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan Scarecrow Robert Zanot, educator



Creative Arts Award
Honorable Mention - Allen Doan
Fish in the City
Robert Zanot, educator



Creative Arts Award Honorable Mention - Allen Doan Self! Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator

# All-County Band (Grades 10-12)



l-r: Carter Wilson, Katie Schultz, Teagan Nester, Jessica Serafini, Melanie Nelson (Not Pictured: Peter Jensen, Noah Stroka)

# **All-County Band (Grade 6)**



I-r: Dayani Lora, Adelie Wilson, Alexander Boel, Hannah Sherling, Jessica Matson

# **All-County Band (7-9)**



I-r: Forrest Dorn, Maddisen Nelson, Lilian Shelley, Mikayla Bucci (Not Pictured: Madeline Selby, Bridgette Turner, Olivia Pepples)

# **All-County Chorus (Grades 10-12)**



Front row (I-r): Melanie Nelson, Leann Mulligan, Natalie Ehrensbeck, Brenna King Back row (I-r): Vince Tatich, Stephen Gehm, Jacob Weir

# **All-County Chorus (Grade 6)**



I-r: Scarlet Shelley, Alexander Boel, Hannah Sherling, Lola Montemagno

# **All-County Chorus (7-9)**



I-r: Olivia Santa Croce, Bridgette Turner, Lilian Shelley, Fisher Sullivan

# All-County Orchestra (7-9)



Jenna Schaefer

# **Student Artwork Highlights Social Studies Unit**



(Photos By: Lisa Sabol)

Mrs. Sabol's fifth grade art students learned about Aztec sun calendars and created tooled foil suns to go with the Inca, Mayan and Aztec unit they learned about in their social studies classes.

# Staying Healthy during Winter

With shorter days, colder temperatures, and the Holidays behind us, it is easy to see that Winter is here. While the falling snow is beautiful, with it comes cold and flu season. Follow these tips to keep you and your family healthy this Winter!

- ✓ Eat a Healthy Breakfast: Dark, chilly Winter mornings seem perfect for laying warm in bed, but with work and school, this is not always possible. Getting up early to cook a nourishing breakfast, including eggs, whole grains, fruit and yogurt, will fuel your family for the entire day!
- ✓ Wash your Hands: Hand washing helps ward off illness and keep you healthyscientifically proven! One study showed that kids who washed their hands properly at least three times a day missed 26% less school and had 22% fewer illnesses than kids that did not.
- ✓ Exercise: Not only just good for the body, exercise is also a great stress reliever, perfect for this time of the year. Make it fun! Go ice skating, build a snowman, or take a moonlit walk. Just make sure you bundle up nice and warm! Spending time outside offers many health benefits, even when it's cold.
- ✓ Get Enough Sleep: Shorter days and longer nights are perfect for getting a long, healthy sleep. Getting your recommended amount of sleep increases your immune system, preventing you from getting sick, and allows you to wake up feeling ready for your day. Studies also found that getting enough sleep is linked to students earning higher grades in school.

Taken from: 8 secrets to keeping your family healthy this winter

https://www.greatschools.org/gk/articles/8-secrets-keeping-family-healthy-winter/

# **Guidance**

# 5 Mistakes Students Make When Picking a College

From Link for Counselors (Article Submitted By: Judy Hayes, HS Counselor)

There are some common mistakes that students make when picking a college. Here are five common ones:

- 1. Not doing enough research: Considering that the cost of a four-year college can be as much as purchasing a small home, some students do very little research before accepting an offer of admission. They should look at the college website and talk to admission reps before making that final decision. They should never make a decision without visiting the college first. Most colleges have Admitted Student Days in the spring. These open houses focus on incoming freshmen and often include overnight stays in the dorms to give students a real feel for the campus.
- 2. Not knowing the true cost to attend: This is a big one. Accepting an offer of admission and assuming they will make it all work can be a huge mistake. They should look closely at the financial aid award letter. Most colleges "package" loans within their offers. Taking out too many loans can put a student in debt for 20 or more years. Most schools should have a "net college price calculator" on their site. This should help you make an apples-to-apples comparison between schools.
- 3. Assuming location is everything: Initially, students invariably put colleges on their list based on location. Anywhere near a beach is popular, but they are also often the most difficult to get into. Some of the best colleges are located away from the coasts, and are less selective because of their location. After all, students are so busy most of the time, they hardly ever make it to the beach. It is the opportunities and connections that a student participates in, and makes the most out of, that can affect their overall experience.
- 4. Listening to other people: Students often take colleges off their list because they hear from a friend, or a boyfriend's mother, that they know a student who hated the college. Yes, it does happen that someone has a bad experience, but that does not mean every student will. It is important to make a decision based on what the college can offer, not what someone else thinks.
- 5. Thinking that rankings matter: Many students still pay way too much attention to the rankings. Just because a college rejects over 90 percent of their students, doesn't mean it is THE best college to attend. What matters is if it is the best college for each student. Does it offer the right majors, extra-curricular activities or financial aid? This is much more important than where it is ranked. There is no evidence that attending the most highly ranked college assures success in later life.

This information was from an article published by Jill Haley on the Union's website. She is a retired high school counselor, who now works as an independent college counselor. She can be reached at http://www.getyouintocollege.com or jillncca@gmail.com.

# **Information for Parents: Course Scheduling for 2018-2019**

It is the time of year when the high school counselors are working with your children on their schedules for the 2018-2019 school year. We have been meeting with our students one-on-one since November to complete the individual planning process. One common theme covered in planning is talking about available course options. We encourage our students to take challenging courses and try to be thoughtful about how their choices will benefit them in the college selection process and in life beyond high school.

The scheduling process includes taking all students to the computer lab where a presentation and overview of options are again covered. This will take place the second week of April. Our students will all have a copy of their planning sheet and will add their classes online. We plan on providing parents with a copy of the courses their children select by including them with a five-week report in May. Please encourage your son or daughter to bring this home.

If you have a question about the courses your child selected, please feel free to call our office at 762-6918. We thank you for your support and look forward to hearing from you.

- Judy Hayes, HS Counselor



# **Guidance**

#### Parenting is really hard. Having a growth mindset helps.

Research shows that parents can have a powerful impact on their children's mindsets. The language you use and the actions you take show your children what you expect. Giving process praise, talking about the brain, accepting mistakes as learning opportunities, and understanding the role of emotions in learning are all practices you can begin today.

#### Say This, Not That

The way we praise our children can have a profound impact on their mindset. Research on praise and mindsets shows that when we praise children for being smart, it promotes a fixed mindset. It sends a message that their accomplishments are trait-based, and tied to something innate. In contrast, praising kids for working hard promotes a growth mindset. It sends a message that the child's effort is what led them to success. Here are some tips on what to say, and what not to say, when praising your kids.

Say This	Not That
"I can see you worked so hard on this!"	"You are so smart!"
"It seems like it's time to try a new strategy."	"It's okay. Maybe you're just not cut out for this!"
"I like watching you do that."	"You're a natural at that!"
"It looks like that was too easy for you. Let's find you something challenging so your brain can grow."	"That's right! You did that so quickly and easily; great job!"
"That's not right. You don't understand this yet. What strategies can you try to understand it better?"	"That's not right. Are you paying attention in class? It seems like you're not even trying."
"You've worked hard to become a good artist. You should challenge yourself with an advanced class, and learn something you don't know how to do yet."	"You have a real talent for drawing. You should take an advanced art class because you're so good at it."

#### Talk About the Brain

The brain is far more malleable than we once thought. Teaching our kids that they actually have control over growing their brains through the actions they take is empowering! Tell your children that when they work hard, that's the feeling of their neurons connecting. The dendrites are reaching out to other dendrites, trying to connect to make a stronger brain. What strengthens those connections is practice, asking questions, and actively participating in learning. When children learn that their brains physically change with effort, it leads to increased motivation and achievement.

#### **Accept Mistakes as Learning Opportunities**

One of the best ways you can model a growth mindset is to speak candidly about the mistakes you've made, and what you've learned from them. Speak positively about your mistakes and struggles, and this will show your children that taking risks and making mistakes are a natural part of the learning process. Explain to your children that trying hard things is what helps us grow, and you can't be perfect when you try something hard!

#### **Understand the Role of Emotions in Learning**

When we get angry, scared or feel threatened, our fight or flight response is activated. This can happen anytime, whether we're scared of a spider or scared of math! Our brains are wired to protect us when we feel threatened, and stress symptoms such as sweating, stomach cramps, and your mind going blank are completely normal. There are strategies we can use when the fight or flight response tries to take over, to help us learn. One of those strategies is slow, controlled breathing which helps to break down the adrenaline that is flooding the bloodstream and preventing learning from occurring.

Adapted from "Mind Set Works" <a href="https://www.mindsetworks.com/parents/growth-mindset-parenting">https://www.mindsetworks.com/parents/growth-mindset-parenting</a> (Submitted By: Shelby Samson and Deb Lally, MS Counselors)

# 1st Quarter Honor Roll

#### **Grade 6**

Tyler-John Adams Tarrah Allen Jenna Beck **Brian Blaise Carter Boorom** Addisyn Charpinsky **Andrew Clark** Robert Clark **Christopher Davies** Aidan Decker Isaac Decker Finian Dolaway Owen Edwards Steven Faulkner Jordan Ford Chaz Gerdus Abigail Golden-Thomas Connor Gonz Aiden Granger Harry Grannis Lydia Herndon Addisyn Johnston Iris Keldon Tyler Kropp Matthew Leonard Matthew Loperena Madison Marshfield Delaney McMahon Kristina Merritt Joshua Morrell Grace Pavelski **Christopher Rogers** Amir Sadykov Logan Sawyer **Dominic Scott** Page Sherman **Aubrey Staub** Alessandro Testani Dana Testani Kaylee Warner **Austin Wilbur** Jami Williams

#### **Grade 7**

Ayla Ambrose Garrett Andersen Brenna Atkinson Nathan Atwater Lucas Baier Ethan Benedict Gianna Black Jadyn Bobzien Dante Brown Ivan Bump Aidan Cavanaugh

Hannah Woolson

Gavin Zindle

Ean Chapman Anesia Christian-Tas Trevor Cortright Vincenzo DiLuzio Olivia DiRienzo Sarah Doughty Elizabeth Dzuba Jada Ealy Carly Edwards Nathan Edwards Jocelyn Erickson **Dvlan Ford** Jessica Gates Marianna Gerdus Luke Gillette **Emilee Greiner** Kaylee Guelzow Alexander Harlost Lauren Hart **Brandon Hirst** Cameron Hirst Tyler Hopkins **Icey Jones** Finnian King Hannah Labarr Danielle Leach Logan Lomonaco Angelo Mitchell Kenneth Moore Lucas Morgan James O'Bryan Kolin Parks Bear Red Jonah Rice Elena Rose Corrina Rouff John Serafini Nathan Shafer Fenner Sisson Natalie Smith **Ethan Striley** Michael Timko Sophie Tourtual Kaylee Wade **Erin Wales** Kavlee Watson Khammaneh Weather Landon White Sarah Willmott

#### **Grade 8**

Christian Allen Hunter Arno Eric Attleson Parker Boorom Sarah Bush Nathan Charpinsky Rowan Clark Zachary Demer Forrest Dorn Emma Farr-Giblin Alexis Fink **Emily Hamilton** Tyler Hayes Austin Hewison Maddox Hogan Aidan Hoyt Jacob Irons Alissa Kropp Kolby Krupitza Shannon McLark Kayla McLaughlin Gavin Mercik Joshua Miller Tino Montemagno Allyson O'Connor Vrai Patel Damon Potter Jenna Pratt **Anthony Rogers** James Rogers **Aaron Salisbury** Cameron Singer Nicholas Smith Priscilla Soule Abigail Stanton Sophia Sullivan Adam Tester Johnathan Tipler III Amara Williams Alaina Wood

#### **Grade 9**

Gabriel Atwater Robert Baker III William Bangar **Peyton Broderick** Ellen Buckley David Cron Sean Davies Nicola Dil uzio Owen Dofton **Aaron Dundon** Gabriel Dzuba **Thomas Eccleston** Alexandra Escobar Paige Fetterman Connor Frey Zoe Gates Tori Goga Daniel Gorman Anthony Grubham Zoe Henry Case Alexander Hilldale Sebastian Hilldale Nikkolas Hiras Elijah Lanfear Tristan Lavoie

Harrycel Mabilog Ethan Morgan Bailey Palmer Andrew Rice Makenzie Rogers Kaitlyn Schwarz Maximilian Singer Abby Snashall Dominic Testani Aaliyah Williams

#### Grade 10

Kylie Baleno

Meghan Berg

Matthew Blance

Liana Carman Jenna Castellucci Desire Castro Maia Chapman Thomas Christoffersen **Zachary Crooks** Connor Crouse Amelia DiRienzo Jack Fassett **Kyle Ferris** Anthony Forbidussi Claire Harvey Julia Mandyck Patrick McCabe Rebecca Mercik Dominic Napoli Melanie Nelson Celest Pagliarella Dhwani Patel Kendall Rinker Cailee Salisbury **Brett Salzman** Emma Schmidt **Kaylee Shannon Rory Sisson** Caitlyn Slater Jacob Smith Henry Stroka Ryan Wardell Dylan Weeks Alexander Wojcik

#### Grade 11

Catherine Ashman
Jacob Aurelio
Nathan Aylward
Antoinette Bennett
James Bush
Audrey Calica
Ethan Cooper
Rachel Cron
Shane Culver
Katie Doan

Elisa Engelmann Dylan Ferry Hannah Frey Kaitlyn Guelzow Kaitlyn Hardler Grace Harrington Mary Hibbard J-Lah Jackson Morgan Jones Nathan Klein Tyler Lamando Sarah Lamoreaux Cameron Lockwood Dominic Mastronardi Caitlyn McCabe Kendyll McMahon Retta Mosher Leann Mulligan Madison Nealy Nicholas Norton Hunter O'Connor Caitlyn Pierce Kayla Ranucci Kathrine Regan Jeramiah Reynolds Jayna Ross **Zachary Sarvey** Anna Siline Devin Skogfeldt Calista Smith Mallorie Turner Mikayla Warner Shania Woloch Camryn Zaic

#### Grade 12

Ty Abell Hailey Andrascik Zachery Baer Amathyst Baker Rachel Becker Anthonie Brito Tameira Card Benjamin Cease Maya Davies Matthew DeLaney Aidan Dofton **Cheray Forbes** Maria Forbidussi **Trenton Gates** Stephen Gehm Preia George Marlaina Giurastante Christina Gladhill Zaphir Hill London Jeter Sarah Juran Kristapher Lindsey Zackary MacLaren

Delany McDonald Rvan Mellen **Emily Monk Kobe Parks** Elizabeth Persons Jessica Riegal Jacquelyn Ruf **Dustin Schmidt** Christofer Schmits Jacob Shoemaker Madison Smith Chace Snyder Zackeri Soule Sr **Daniel Tester** Jacob Weir Angelina Williams Julianne Worden

# 1st Quarter HIGH Honor Roll



Sophia Ashman Caden Atkinson Alexis Bilka-Durdon Olivia Blaise Alexander Boel Lana Briggs Callie Broderick Mary Brom Sophia Bucci Gravson Clark **Destiny Duckworth** Greta Dutcher **Grace Frost** Madelyn Hardler Matthew Houseknecht Kamryn Hoyt Bryan Lanner Jr Ava Laroussi Rocco Lockwood Dayani Lora Jessica Matson Isabella McKown Lola Montemagno Kelcey Osteen Samantha Perney **Ethan Randis** Leah Riquier Kyle Santi Skylar Schaefer Tyler Schultz Scarlet Shelley Hannah Sherling Abigail Skinner Covany Skinner Haley Smith Sophia Stento Mary Thayne Myron Wells

#### Grade 7

Adelie Wilson

Amanda Anderson Colin Atkinson Marley Baldwin Lejla Cehic Joshua Coddington Chad Cole Joshua Conrow Sadie Dutcher Elizabeth Eggleston Savannah Greenmun Chase Hanyon Kate Hope David Inzhirov Jeter King Carter Klein Gavin Laskowsky Marin Lesch

Aubrey Marroquin Dylan McCabe Tessa McEnaney Devin Miller Tyler Norton Merrell Rouff Olivia Santa Croce Jenna Schaefer Alexander Telfer Madeline Trisket Cayden Turcotte Nadia Wojcik Lily Young

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Corey Ashman

Rocco Ashman

Caleb Barkwell

Amanda Bixby

Maxwell Bigelow

Gabriel Beam

**Grace Brown** Mikayla Bucci Gabriella Capers Savana Collins Owen Craig Isabelle Dithrich **Emma Dofton** Caydin Gates **Emily Goodstal** Sarah Gorman Sadie Graham Alex Jacobs Eric Jewson Aidan Marroquin Jordan Martin Rylie Miller Isabella Moore **Zachary Murphy** Maddisen Nelson Joseph Nester Owen O'Brien Chloe Osteen Jazmyn Palmatier Olivia Pepples Colin Perney Tara Pitcher Saniah Reeves Lindsey Rice Carson Riquier **Ethan Rogers** Riley Spencer Ainsley Staub Madeline Stento Fisher Sullivan Adonna Taubar Thomas Thayne Donavon Tomm Celia Trumino

Braedyn Vinsevich

Justin Wardell Nathaniel Wojcik Maisy Wood Elijah Young

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Ryan Atkinson Cassondra Blewett Olivia Bochenek Natalie Broderick John Buchinsky Rachel Butch William Clark Jr **Jacob Coddington Devin Edwards** Jakob Emm Alexander Fedo Jordyn Gill Joseph Kozlowski Cameron Krisko Da-Xia Ming Hannah Mohamad Bryana Sawyer Eric Schuldt Samantha Scott Nasira Tas Megan Taylor **Rory Thompson** Alexa Willis

#### Grade 10

Madison Aswad Kelsey Burden Christopher Ealy Logan Fetterman Cassidy Hopkins Abigail Mercik Maxwell Reppard Katerina Retzlaff Elizabeth Rice Gabrielle Rogers Michael Schultz Owen Staub Austin Williams

#### Grade 11

Tyler Benedict
William Blewett
Adelaide Castro
Tara Crissman
Kayla Ferris
Christy Hanson
Ryan Houseknecht
Brittany Kropp
Thomas Love
Marc Marion
Logan McCarthy
McKenna Miller



# Honors with Distinction

Grade 9

Kenna Abell Kamryn Bates **Charles Beam Brian Chong** Autumn Dorn Mary Doyle Caelynn Edwards Caleb Frost Kerri Haves Matthew Hensel Lucas Hovt Megann Jones Isaiah Keldon Thomas McEntire Gabriel McManus Kendall Morrell Gavin Pagliarella Dawson Palmer Kendra Potenziano Faith Riegal Vanessa Rodzinka Miranda Rogers Madeline Selby Sarah Shafer Lilian Shelley Ella Stafford Zachariah Stanton Bridgette Turner

Grade 10

Colsten Volpe

Keira Warwick

Anthony Austin Samuel Bozuhoski Jacob Brown Aubrey Craig Grace Elliott Natalie Gillette Danielle Jewson Audra Lee
Dominick Lomonaco
Erin McCollough
Elizabeth Morgan
Julia Morgan
Teagan Nester
Abigail Pepples
Caleb Schwarz
Jessica Serafini
Ava Travis
Emma Trumino
Morgan Whittington
Nolan Wilson

Grade 11 Alia Arnold Alexa Attleson Sara Bozuhoski **Eric Brom** Ellis Cleveland Faith Fassett Jacklyn Hardler Brady Hope Jeremy Kellam **Edward Kuklo** Natalie Lehr Paige Lettera Andy Li Hallie Morgan Elizabeth Morton Cody Nagle Carly O'Brien Taylor Potenziano Lucas Scott Molly Snashall Max Sobel Kara Watson John-Paul Webster Caitlin Whiting Carter Wilson

Grade 12

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Madison Perrault Alexis Randis Jeffrey Rice Marrissa Rogers Breanen Rought Erin Skinner Taylor Trout Joshua VanBarriger

#### Grade 12

Alyssa Benninger Patrick Buchinsky Riley Buckland Rebekah Courtright Alexis Demas Allen Doan Owen Gillette Murissa Greiner
Jailyn Grimaldi
Elaine Hamilton
Jenna Hanyon
Mercedes Harrington
lan Keldon
Diamond Ming
Russell Nelson
Matthew Pecha
Laurel Pernesky-Currier
Haley Spencer
Kelly Thompson

# 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

#### Grade 6

Tyler-John Adams Amiah Afify Tarrah Allen Brian Blaise Carter Boorom Tyler Carpenter **Summer Champion** Addisyn Charpinsky Andrew Clark Grayson Clark Robert Clark Nathan Crawford **Christopher Davies** Aidan Decker Isaac Decker Owen Edwards Steven Faulkner Jordan Ford Chaz Gerdus Abigail Golden-Thomas Aiden Granger Lydia Herndon Addisyn Johnston Iris Keldon Tyler Kropp Rilev Kurtz Matthew Leonard Rocco Lockwood Matthew Loperena Madison Marshfield Delaney McMahon Jacob Mies Joshua Morrell **Dutton Regan** Logan Sawyer Page Sherman Keagan Smith Keegan Stanton **Aubrey Staub** Dana Testani Camille Volpe Kaylee Warner Austin Wilbur Jami Williams Hannah Woolson

#### Grade 7

Gavin Zindle

Brenna Atkinson Colin Atkinson Nathan Atwater Marley Baldwin Ethan Benedict Gianna Black Jadyn Bobzien

Aidan Butora Aidan Cavanaugh Ean Chapman Anesia Christian-Tas Trevor Cortright Sarah Doughty Carly Edwards Nathan Edwards Dylan Ford Jessica Gates Marianna Gerdus Luke Gillette Savannah Greenmun Lauren Hart **Brandon Hirst** Tyler Hopkins **David Inzhirov Icey Jones** Hannah Labarr Lucas Morgan Elena Rose Corrina Rouff Fenner Sisson Noah Stanton **Ethan Striley** Alexander Telfer Sophie Tourtual Cavden Turcotte Kaylee Wade Landon White Sarah Willmott Nadia Wojcik Lily Young

#### **Grade 8**

Eric Attleson

**Grace Brown** Sarah Bush Nathan Charpinsky Savana Collins **Zachary Demer** Emma Farr-Giblin Tyler Hayes Maddox Hogan Aidan Hoyt Jacob Irons Alissa Kropp Kolby Krupitza Shannon McLark Kayla McLaughlin Gavin Mercik Joshua Miller Rylie Miller Tino Montemagno Isabella Moore Allyson O'Connor Jazmyn Palmatier

Damon Potter Jenna Pratt Carson Riquier Anthony Rogers James Rogers Aaron Salisbury Cameron Singer Nicholas Smith Priscilla Soule Sophia Sullivan Adonna Taubar Adam Tester Alaina Wood

#### Grade 9

Gabriel Atwater

William Bangar

Cassondra Blewett Peyton Broderick Ellen Buckley Benjamin Crawford David Cron Sean Davies Nicola DiLuzio Owen Dofton Aaron Dundon Thomas Eccleston **Devin Edwards** Jakob Emm Alexander Fedo Connor Frey Zoe Gates Tori Goga **Daniel Gorman** Anthony Grubham Joseph Kozlowski Elijah Lanfear Ethan Morgan Aidan Perry Joelene Pratt Bryana Sawyer Nathan Siedlecky Maximilian Singer Abby Snashall Nasira Tas Dominic Testani Aaliyah Williams

#### Grade 10

Kylie Baleno McKenna Beers Meghan Berg Matthew Blance Kelsey Burden Liana Carman Jenna Castellucci Desire Castro Maia Chapman Thomas Christoffersen **Connor Crouse** Christopher Ealy Jack Fassett **Kyle Ferris** Macaila Harlost Claire Harvey Patrick McCabe Abigail Mercik Rebecca Mercik Dhwani Patel Jonathan Pecha Maxwell Reppard Katerina Retzlaff Kendall Rinker Cailee Salisbury **Brett Salzman** Emma Schmidt Jacob Smith Alexander Wojcik

#### Grade 11

Jacob Aurelio Nathan Aylward Tyler Benedict Alyvia Brown **Audrey Calica** Tara Crissman Rachel Cron Katie Doan David Dodson Dylan Ferry Hannah Frey Kaitlyn Guelzow **Christy Hanson** Grace Harrington Mary Hibbard Ryan Houseknecht Morgan Jones Nathan Klein Tyler Lamando Sarah Lamoreaux Nathan Lehr Thomas Love Kendyll McMahon McKenna Miller Madison Nealy Nicholas Norton Hunter O'Connor Caitlyn Pierce **Alexis Randis** Kathrine Regan Marrissa Rogers Jayna Ross **Zachary Sarvey** 

Madisyn Savage Stefani Schmidt Anna Siline Calista Smith Nathan Smith Meghan Swan Joshua VanBarriger Mikayla Warner Camryn Zaic

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# 2nd Quarter HIGH Honor Roll



Sophia Ashman Caden Atkinson Jenna Beck Alexis Bilka-Durdon Olivia Blaise Alexander Boel Lana Briggs Callie Broderick Mary Brom Sophia Bucci **Destiny Duckworth** Greta Dutcher **Grace Frost** Madelyn Hardler Matthew Houseknecht Kamryn Hoyt Bryan Lanner Jr Ava Laroussi Davani Lora Jessica Matson Isabella McKown Lola Montemagno Kelcey Osteen Grace Pavelski Samantha Perney **Ethan Randis** Leah Riquier **Christopher Rogers** Amir Sadvkov Kyle Santi Skylar Schaefer Tyler Schultz **Dominic Scott** Scarlet Shelley Hannah Sherling Abigail Skinner Covany Skinner Haley Smith Sophia Stento Alessandro Testani

#### **Grade 7**

Mary Thayne

Myron Wells

Adelie Wilson

Lucas Baier Lejla Cehic Joshua Coddington Chad Cole Joshua Conrow Sadie Dutcher Elizabeth Eggleston Kaylee Guelzow Chase Hanyon Cameron Hirst Kate Hope Jeter King Carter Klein

Gavin Laskowsky Marin Lesch Logan Lomonaco **Aubrey Marroquin** Dylan McCabe Tessa McEnaney Devin Miller Tyler Norton James O'Bryan **Kolin Parks** Jonah Rice Merrell Rouff Mersedes Roys Olivia Santa Croce Jenna Schaefer Natalie Smith Madeline Trisket **Kaylee Watson** Khammaneh Weather

#### **Grade 8**

Corey Ashman

Rocco Ashman Caleb Barkwell Gabriel Beam Maxwell Bigelow Mikayla Bucci Gabriella Capers Owen Craig Isabelle Dithrich Emma Dofton **Cavdin Gates Emily Goodstal** Sarah Gorman Alex Jacobs Eric Jewson Aidan Marroquin **Zachary Murphy** Maddisen Nelson Joseph Nester Owen O'Brien Chloe Osteen Vraj Patel **Christopher Paultre** Olivia Pepples Colin Perney Tara Pitcher Saniah Reeves Lindsey Rice **Ethan Rogers** Riley Spencer Ainslev Staub Madeline Stento Fisher Sullivan Thomas Thavne Donavon Tomm Celia Trumino Justin Wardell Nathaniel Wojcik

Maisy Wood

#### **Grade 9**

Ryan Atkinson Olivia Bochenek Natalie Broderick John Buchinsky Rachel Butch William Clark Jr Ethan Clark Jacob Coddington Jordyn Gill Nikkolas Hiras Megann Jones Cameron Krisko **Thomas McEntire** Hannah Mohamad Gavin Pagliarella **Andrew Rice** Vanessa Rodzinka Eric Schuldt Samantha Scott Zachariah Stanton Megan Taylor Rory Thompson Alexa Willis

#### Grade 10

Madison Aswad **Anthony Austin** Logan Fetterman **Cassidy Hopkins** Melanie Nelson Celest Pagliarella **Abigail Pepples** Elizabeth Rice **Gabrielle Rogers** Michael Schultz Henry Stroka Ava Travis Dylan Weeks **Austin Williams** Nolan Wilson

#### Grade 11

Catherine Ashman **Antoinette Bennett** William Blewett **Ethan Cooper Shane Culver** Kayla Ferris **Brady Hope** Natalie Lehr Andy Li Marc Marion Logan McCarthy Leann Mulligan Jeffrey Rice Breanen Rought Harley Sarvey



# Honors with Distinction

**Grade 9** 

Kenna Abell Kamryn Bates Charles Beam **Brian Chong** Autumn Dorn Mary Doyle Caelynn Edwards Caleb Frost Kerri Haves Matthew Hensel Lucas Hoyt Isaiah Keldon Gabriel McManus Kendall Morrell Luke Noonan **Dawson Palmer** Kendra Potenziano Faith Riegal Miranda Rogers Madeline Selby Sarah Shafer Lilian Shelley Ella Stafford Bridgette Turner Colsten Volpe

Grade 10 Samuel Bozuhoski Jacob Brown **Aubrey Craig** Grace Elliott Natalie Gillette Danielle Jewson Audra Lee

Keira Warwick

Dominick Lomonaco Erin McCollough Elizabeth Morgan Julia Morgan Teagan Nester Caleb Schwarz Jessica Serafini Owen Staub Emma Trumino Morgan Whittington

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Peter Jensen Hannah Larsen Zackary MacLaren Jonathan Miller Laurel Pernesky-Currier Jacquelyn Ruf Zackeri Soule Sr **Haley Spencer** Joseph Testani Kelly Thompson Jacob Weir

# **Port Dickinson Elementary**

We are slowly going over the construction check list here at Port Dickinson. We are working with the architects, contractors, facilities, administration and staff to address some of the concerns. One has been the fire alarm. We have temporarily put into place that children can take their coats out during a fire alarm. A letter was recently sent home regarding this.

I would like to thank the Lions Club of Broome County for doing vision screenings on our Pre-K students. They have a national program known as "Screening Eyes Early." This year, the members of the Lions Club came to Port Dickinson and screened our Pre-K students. Out of those screenings, 12 students were referred to eye doctors. This can be a long process for our school nurse, but with the help of the Lions Club it took less than a day.



Jim Pritchard, principal, Port Dickinson Elem.

# Port Dickinson Elementary 'Morning Program Recognition'

These Port Dickinson Elementary students were recognized for actions of outstanding character and leadership in monthly "Student Recognition Day" Morning Programs!







January



Students and family members made wonderful gingerbread houses and gingerbread people at Port Dickinson Elementary's Pre-K Family Day on December 21! There were even New Year's Eve countdowns with confetti!

# **Port Dickinson Elementary**

# **Primary Project**

(Submitted By: Peg Peters and Marie Rossie)

Port Dickinson Elementary is in its second year of a program called Primary Project. This program helps students adjust into the classroom so that they are better able to focus on learning.

Primary Project is a chance for children to connect with a trained child associate. Students are able to have some one-on-one time with Marie Rossie, Port Dickinson Elementary's child associate, once a week for about 12-15 weeks. It is a chance for children at this younger age to express themselves through play, which is often easier for a child than words. It is an opportunity for children who may find school adjustment challenging (whether they are shy, easily distracted or frustrated) to help prevent potential difficulties as they get older.

Primary Project benefits children by giving them confidence to participate in class, increasing their self-confidence and focus, assisting in their social development and helping them with adjustments to life's changes (i.e. new teachers, friends, and routines).

Primary Project can also help to support classroom behavior by increasing self-esteem, assisting in making and maintaining peer relationships, helping students to express their feelings for better communication, and improving their ability to take initiative with decision making.









"How do clouds float?" This great question from Port Dickinson Elementary second grade student Annemarie Maire was featured in the Press & Sun-Bulletin newspaper after her question was chosen for an "Ask a Scientist" article. In the article, Annemarie's question was researched and answered in-depth by Binghamton University Associate Professor of Physics Stephen Levy.



Port Dickinson Elementary teachers reviewed common periodic tasks in a math information session with Pre-K - 6 Mathematics Professional Development Specialist Paul Volkert on December 5.



Port Dickinson Elementary students had a blast using Xerdance as a way to exercise in physical education class!

The activity, which involves a mat with arrows and a screen with a variety of songs to follow along to, encourages movement in a fun way!



"Reading buddies" in Mrs. Hess' kindergarten class and Mrs. Vesci's second grade class shared stories and popcorn on the day before Thanksgiving break!

# **Chenango Bridge Elementary**

Dear families,

We are in the time of the year where, during the winter months, we have sunshine on one day and below zero temperatures the next. Inside our classrooms at CB Elementary, our students are engaged and learning new concepts, skills, and strategies to grow as responsible, capable learners. Learning is a process that takes time, effort, and a positive, energetic attitude.

Academically, we work as a team to ensure integration of our curriculum, combined with collaborative opportunity with English Language Arts (reading and writing), math, science, S.S., art, physical education, music, technology, and library opportunities. We are seeing success with our new writing initiative. It is amazing to see how well our students are progressing with their writing ability. With our school district's work to help "Every Warrior Succeed," our teachers and school-related professionals are able to participate in professional development opportunities to simply help our students to be excited about learning.



Mary Beth Hammond, principal, Chenango Bridge Elementary

We continuously work on providing our students with opportunities to more deeply understand the world of science through our hands-on work in the Science Lab, and help them to develop thinking, reasoning, and problem solving skills through our STEAM classroom and Tinker Lab. We are very lucky to have an increased number of Chromebooks for use in our classrooms. These enhance learning in content areas, and allow students to work on reading, math fluency, and research in both science and social Studies.

Our students are able to participate in clubs (Art Club, Book Club, Science Club, Math Club, Chess Club, Mentoring Club) and receive extra help from our teachers on Tuesdays and Thursdays. These afternoons provide student a way to learn, socialize, and have fun! Additionally, our Student Council at CB Elementary sponsored a "Spirit Week." Faculty/staff and students wore sporty jerseys, showed "CV Warrior Spirit," and enjoyed flannel pajamas and T-shirts. CB's two PE teachers, Mr. Ted Hoffman and Mrs. Cathy Lyons, shared the importance of being "heart healthy" through our "Jump Rope for Heart" initiative. Each February, we are very lucky to have guest speaker Mr. Joseph Trionfero come to CB to present "The Show of Love" assembly. This presentation teaches everyone the power of positive peer relationships and important character education through our Olweus work. This message was delivered through role-playing, with a fabulous musical flair.

The success of our school and students is directly correlated to the positive connections and communication we have between home and school. The faculty/staff at CB is dedicated to making every day academically challenging, positive, and fun. Please enjoy some quality time with your families. Stay warm and think spring!

Students Take Part in 'Drums Alive' Activity

Chenango Bridge Elementary students had a blast exercising while participating in a "Drums Alive" activity led by certified "Drums Alive" instructor Mrs. Terry Price and CB physical education teacher Mrs. Cathy Lyons! The program also helps to engage several parts of students' brains and improve skills such as coordination and dexterity.









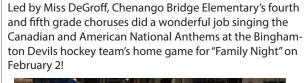
# Olivia Wahl Works with Chenango Bridge Students, Teachers

On December 19, Olivia Wahl worked with teachers and students at Chenango Bridge Elementary. As part of her visit, Mrs. Wahl modeled writing workshops with students, while teachers were able to observe from another room.

After each mini-lesson was complete, Mrs. Wahl met with teachers to review the workshops, the writing process, and interactions with students. She discussed topics including how immersing students in text can help them turn writing technique ideas from "new to known."

Mrs. Wahl has been helping Chenango Valley Central School District to implement a version of Lucy Calkins'"Units of Study in Writing" in kindergarten through eighth grade since the beginning of the school year. Students get sustained writing time daily at the elementary level and units of curriculum are

dedicated to writing at the middle school level. The hope is to not only promote writing for enjoyment, but to improve the academics of writing as well.





# **Chenango Bridge Elementary**

## **#FitWithFamily Encourages Healthy Habits**

Chenango Bridge Elementary is encouraging students to share #FitWithFamily photos to help promote family fitness. Photos capturing families in action will be posted on a wall near the elementary school's gymnasium.

The photos must include a Chenango Bridge student and at least one family member (this can be extended family and beloved family pets as well) engaged in physical activity such as throwing a frisbee, walking, running or playing soccer. Students are asked to share a brief description of the activity along with their photo and name.

Chenango Bridge hopes to fill up the #FitWithFamily wall with as many positive fitness happenings as possible – showing that exercise can be both healthy and fun for all!





Chenango Bridge Elementary fifth grade student Aisling King's question was recently featured in an "Ask a Scientist" article in the Press & Sun Bulletin newspaper. Aisling's question "How do snowflakes get their shape?" was answered by Binghamton University Department of Mechanical Engineering Assistant Professor Congrui Jin.



Fourth grade student Bianca Tuttle designed this awesome poster reading "Be a good human!" as a friendly reminder to always try your best and treat others well. The poster was hung in the hallway at CB Elementary for all students to see!

Some of our Chenango Bridge Elementary third grade students celebrated the day before Thanksgiving Break with a feast of apple-cinnamon cobbler, homemade bread, and butter they helped to make!





# Martial Arts Demonstration Teaches Lessons About Respect and Leadership









Thank you to Mr. Hein and Mr. Sinclair from Warrior Way Martial Arts for speaking to Chenango Bridge Elementary's third grade students about respect and being a good community member, along with showing what it takes to be a true leader. Some students were even able to take part in a board breaking demonstration which helped to show students that community support can help to build our strengths.

As a member of Mrs. Sabol's Art Club, Chenango Bridge Elementary fifth grade student Grazielle Lora won first place in her age group in the YES Safe Choice Red Ribbon Week Poster Contest. Grazielle was honored at an awards ceremony at the arena, hosted by NYS Senator Fred Akshar. She also received four tickets to a Binghamton Devils game, and a Toys R Us gift card! The Art Club received an additional prize of \$100 worth of art supplies, which they will use to create a very special sculpture!







(Photos Provided By: Lisa Sabol)

#### **Students Create Habitats in Shoeboxes**







After learning about different habitats, third grade students had the chance to make a habitat themselves!

In December, students had the opportunity to choose to create either a desert, ocean or savanna habitat. Using paper and other supplies, each student did a great job of turning ordinary shoeboxes into extraordinary creations filled with creatures such as lions and octopuses, and plants such as cactuses and seaweed (dependent on each shoebox environment).

## Elementary Students Explore 'Holidays Around the World'



During a "Holidays Around the World" activity, Chenango Bridge Elementary students learned about the traditions and histories of holidays in a variety of countries across the globe!

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# **Middle School**

Rather than hibernating for the winter, Chenango Valley Middle School has been alive with activity. The teachers and staff have been working very hard with your children to provide the best educational experience possible.

On December 22, the day before winter recess, CV Middle School held the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Wellness Day. This was a day of non-traditional education that addressed each student's character and overall wellness. It was important for our students to take a break from the daily academic rigor and spend time learning about the many components that help to achieve holistic success. The keynote speaker was Mr. Joel Bennett, Windsor Middle School physical education teacher and former professional baseball player for the Baltimore Orioles and Philadelphia Phillies. Mr. Bennett is a motivational speaker who kicked off our day with the message; "What is your Sentence?" His message was one of leadership, developing goals and understanding oneself. The students also attended classes/sessions which included Core Life and GSR Fitness, yoga, nutrition, a NYS Troopers K-9 dog, cyber-safety and social media, fitness, Zumba, literacy, health, ADEPT, dance, and a leadership seminar. Thank you to Mrs. Hubenthal, Mrs. Samson, Mrs. Lally, Mrs. Riquier, and the entire CV Middle School faculty and staff for making Wellness Day an overwhelming success for our middle school students.



Eric E. Attleson, principal CV Middle School

Our students, teachers, and staff are looking forward to the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Middle School Cardboard Boat Race on Wednesday, February 28. The boat lineup will begin in the pool hallway at 4:30 p.m., with judging beginning at 4:45 p.m. and races beginning at 5:00 p.m. Following the Cardboard Boat Race, STEAM Night will start at 6:00 p.m. in the MS Gym and Cafeteria.

I look forward to seeing you at the Boat Race and STEAM Night. Please do not hesitate to contact me or the school if you have any questions.

Follow the MS on twitter @CVMSWarriors. Look for us on Pinterest – CVMSWARRIORS for MS educational topics and ideas.

#### **Upcoming Events in the Middle School:**

- Friday, February 23 through Sunday, February 25 CVHS Musical "Cinderella."
- Monday, February 26 Budget Workshop #1 at 6:00 p.m. in CV Middle School/High School Library.
- Wednesday, February 28 8th annual Cardboard Boat Race at 5:00 p.m. Boat lineup begins at 4:30 p.m. Judging begins at 4:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 28 STEAM Night at 6:00 p.m. MS Gym and Cafeteria.
- Friday, March 2 End of the five week marking period.
- Friday, March 9 8th Annual Chenango Valley Community Night 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Friday, March 16 No School Conference Day.

## **Fun Friday 2017**

Chenango Valley Middle School's "Fun Friday" lived up to its name with tons of awesome activities! The event (which included activities such as coloring, juggling, dodgeball, ping pong, karaoke, hair and nails, board games, and even a scavenger hunt) was held in the middle school on December 1.









Great job to the Chenango Valley Middle School sixth graders who competed at Mathalon in December!

# (Photo By: Dr. Gill)

# Sixth Grade Students Build Leadership Skills

Chenango Valley Middle School sixth grade students took part in a leadership seminar titled "Building Warriors Workshop" on January 26. The workshop, led by Mrs. Hubenthal, Mrs. Lally, and Mr. Attleson, included activities such as each student writing down a specific thing they will do to help make the school a better place. Using the SMART (Specific, Measureable, Achievable, Relevant, Timely) goals process, students figured out how they could achieve this goal. The written goals were placed in students' lockers as a self-reminder to add positive contributions to their school community. Great job to all involved!

# **Middle School**

# Student of the Month – November 2017



Front Row (I-r): Tessa McEnaney, Isaac Decker, Alexander Boel, Adelie Wilson Back Row (I-r): Elijah Young, Aubrey Marroquin, Dylan McCabe, Abigail Stanton, Grace Brown

**6th Grade Team** 7th Grade Team 8th Grade Team Adelie Wilson **Aubrey Marroquin** Elijah Young Alexander Boel Tessa McEnaney **Grace Brown** 

Good Citizen: Good Citizen: Good Citizen: Isaac Decker Dylan McCabe **Abigail Stanton** 

## Student of the Month – December 2017



Front Row (I-r): Steven Faulkner, Ethan Benedict, Myron Wells, Sophia Ashman, Garrett Andersen Back Row (I-r): Chad Cole, Thomas Thayne, Allyson O'Connor, Olivia Pepples

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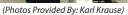
Good Citizen: Good Citizen: Good Citizen: Myron Wells **Ethan Benedict** Allyson O'Connor

Our Students of the Month "CARE" about CV: C-Commitment A-Attitude R-Responsibility E-Enthusiasm

# **Middle School Students Explore Career Opportunities**

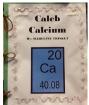
William Hoffmann from the financial consultant firm Merrill Lynch visited Mr. Krause's Computer 7 class on November 29. Mr. Hoffman is a volunteer with the Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce. The Commerce has been working with local school districts to promote Junior Achievement Financial Literacy curriculum. Mr. Hoffmann visited as a classroom facilitator once a week for six weeks. Students learned how to make choices to better understand the concept of self-knowledge, and how to apply their skills, interests, and values as they consider a potential career path.





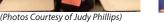


# 'Baby Elements' Delivered in Middle School Computer Lab













Students in Mrs. Bigelow's middle school science class created "baby element" projects in the middle school computer lab in the month of December. Some students even gave their elements names including "Holly Hydrogen" and "Caleb Calcium." Congratulations to all on their successful project deliveries!







Chenango Valley Middle School students received "out of this world" lessons -- thanks to Mrs. Peterson and a portable planetarium! Students learned about topics including solar and lunar eclipses, constellations, and even some stories behind the names of constellations!



Chenango Valley Middle School FACS classes had fun taking part in "Burger Cook-Off" activities on January 12!



students in Mrs. Vesci's sixth grade social studies classes mummified dolls.

The lesson helped to teach students about the process and meaning behind mummification, and expanded their knowledge of Ancient Egyptian vocabulary terms.



# **High School**

Second semester is upon us. The high school has completed our mid-year assessments and Regents exams. More than half of the 2018 school year is complete. It will not be long before we are talking about graduation, which will take place Friday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the stadium.

Our Spring Recess is March 30-April 8. When we return from our Spring Recess, there will be less than 11 weeks of school left before Regents and final exams begin. Exam schedules will be out in May. It is extremely important that your child stay focused and keep up with their work. 10<sup>th</sup> periods are available Monday-Thursday for students to get extra help from their teachers. In addition, the Learning Lab is open Monday-Thursday from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. in the HS library for students who need extra help in their core classes. Effort and hard work now will make the testing in June less intimidating.

The CV Theatre Guild will present "Cinderella" February 23-25. Students have been practicing and rehearsing for the past few months. Come out and see the play -- the final product of all their hard work.



Terry Heller, principal CV High School

Spring sports start Monday, March 5.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

#### Lessons Encourage Strength and Positivity

Mr. Bill Clark, a World Champion powerlifter and CV social studies teacher, spoke with Mr. Tidick's current events/local history class on November 17. Mr. Clark told students that one key to a successful life is to "surround yourself with positive influences."

Mr. Trent Patterson, a security officer at CV Middle/High School, visited the class in January. Mr. Patterson was a former Alabama University lineman and a contestant on the reality game show "The Biggest Loser." He shared words of inspiration including, "We can overcome adversity, we just have to have the right mindset."

This was all part of Mr. Tidick's lessons on "CV's local heroes." Mr. Tidick recently brought in former Broome Dusters hockey player Mr. Max Hansen, who discussed his hockey career and other related topics. He also previously brought in Mr. Robert Zanot, a CV High School art teacher who played Division I football at the University of Notre Dame, and CVHS Principal Mr. Terry Heller, who played collegiate basketball at LeMoyne College. They both discussed how their college experiences helped them in their professional careers.



(Photo Credit: Hatala Orthodonics,

Three Chenango Valley High School students were among 23 area HS students who shadowed Dr. Mark P. Hatala and his orthodontic staff as part of Groundhog Job Shadow Day at Hatala Orthodonics in Johnson City on February 1.

Audrey Calica, Hallie Morgan, and John-Paul Webster discovered the wide range of rewarding career opportunities available in orthodontic practices as they watched staff members perform tasks such as adjusting braces and using 3D image scanners.

#### Class Bakes Cakes Full of Taste and Creativity











Chenango Valley High School students in Mrs. Chavez's Gourmet Foods class worked hard to bake and decorate cakes filled with both taste and creativity. They even made their own fondant for the cakes!

Mrs. Chavez asked Chenango Valley High School students and teachers to vote on their favorite cake decoration. It was a tough decision. The white/pink cake with flowers ended up winning the staff vote, but the students picked the yellow/white cake with stars as their favorite. Fantastic job to everyone involved!

#### Students Compete in Regional SkillsUSA Conference

Chenango Valley High School students Elaine Hamilton, William Blewett, Josh VanBarriger, Tameira Card, Morgan Jones, Tara Crissman, and Cameron Lockwood competed amongst hundreds of students in a SkillsUSA Area II Regional Conference at Morrisville State College on February 2. They competed in contests including collision repair, plumbing, cosmetology, and electrical wiring.

Joshua VanBarriger (seen in photo to the right) won third place in a cabinet making contest at the event! *Great job to all on their hard work!* 



(Photo Courtesy of Matt Sheehan)

Five Chenango Valley High School seniors were part of a student-run start up group that saw success through the Broome-Tioga BOCES New Visions Business Academy. Roy Santa Croce, Joseph Testani, Jackson Retzlaff, Patrick Giblin and Patrick Buchinsky were in the student group "14 Visions" which created the "3-in-1" (a cell phone case that could turn into a phone stand, headphone holder and created a cellphone holder for inside cars) and a car organizer.

"It was one of the most interactive and interesting experiences I've had in my schooling career," said Santa Croce. "You're dealing with real people, real product and real money, in the real world."

The group raised around \$2,300 through these products, doubling their profit, and they were able to give investors back 100%. With the money gained through this endeavor, the group donated to the Santa Croce family, A Room to Heal, CHOW, and a Haiti mission trip.



(Photo Provided By: Mr. Heller)

Seniors James Wyatt and Kelly Thompson are part of the News Visions Law and Government Academy. Through the program, they have learned from local and state government entities; including interning with Broome County Executive Jason Garnar, shadowing in New York State Senator Charles Schumer's regional office, and working with



local law firms including Levene Gouldin & Thompson. Their New Visions group also recently hosted an international fair at the American Civic Association.

# **High School**

## High School Students Take on 'Social Media Detox Challenge'

Could you go a whole week without using social media? A total of 14 Chenango Valley High School students took on a week-long Olweus "Social Media Detox Challenge"! The challenge was inspired by a video high school students watched during an Olweus activity. The video was about social media and went into depth about how one can choose to either be a consumer of other people's lives or a creator of their own.

On December 20, those who participated in the challenge were rewarded with a pizza party and had the chance to discuss their experiences with Chenango Valley High School Olweus advisors Ms. Arnold and Mrs. Hayes. Some students admitted they couldn't quite make it through the week, but most agreed that it was a worthwhile challer



students admitted they couldn't quite make it through the week, but most agreed that it was a worthwhile challenge that showed "you don't need social media to entertain yourself." When asked if they would do it again, there were a mixture of "yes" and "no" answers.

Ms. Arnold and Mrs. Hayes said they may try this challenge again in the spring to see if they can get more upper classman to participate.

# CV Students Learn Importance of Teamwork, Communication in YES LAUNCH Training



What does it take to be a good role model? YES LEADers at Chenango Valley Central School District explored this topic as they took part in a YES LAUNCH training on November 27. The training in the Chenango Valley Middle/High School Auditorium was led by representatives from YES Safe Choices. It included informative presentations and hands-on activities.

Discussion during presentations included the topic of digital citizenship and not comparing your life to someone else's online "highlight reel." Students talked about ways to disconnect from electronic devices and why it can be

important to do this at times. Students also took part in group activities that helped show them the importance of teamwork and good communication.

In addition, YES LEADers discussed the objectives of the future presentations they will give elementary students. YES LEADers agreed that making the presentations educational, fun, organized and inspiring could help to leave an effective and meaningful message with the younger students. Thank you to all involved in this training!









(Photos Provided By: Mr. Heller)

Chenango Valley High School's Junior Dinner Dance was held at the Holiday Inn Binghamton on January 27!

# Senator Akshar Speaks With CVHS Class

New York State Senator Fred Akshar visited Mr. Tidick's Current Events & Local History class at Chenango Valley High School on December 11. He spoke with students and answered questions about topics including local politics, his background in law enforcement, and the importance of programs such as YES Safe Choices/YES LEADS and "Ag in the Classroom." Thank you for visiting, Senator Akshar!





Through a process consisting of chemical reactions, Chenango Valley High School students made amazing pieces of art! In December, Mrs. Ginalski and Mrs. Korn's chemistry classes worked to create copper plating holiday ornaments in chemistry lab. As a result of two different single replacement reactions, students converted a piece of galvanized steel into a beautiful decoration.



To begin this scientific process, students first covered their piece of metal with masking tape to create designs. The covered parts were intended to remain the steel color.





The final steps included removing the tape to reveal their designs, attaching a hook, spraying their ornament with an acrylic spray, and hanging it to dry.



Students later dipped the coated metal in a hydrochloric acid bath using tongs. When the reaction stopped, students rinsed the metal with distilled water and let it dry. They next dipped the object into Copper (II) Nitrate solution using tongs. When the color change they desired occurred, students removed the metal from the solution. They then rinsed it again with distilled water.





Mrs. Ginalski's Fast Forward Chemistry & Mr. Reed's Fast Forward Environmental Science classes worked in small groups to investigate the optimal conditions for deteriorating "industrial air cushion" packaging used in shipments from some companies.

On January 12, they presented their findings in a symposium style for CV staff and fellow students. *Great job to all on their hard work!* 



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