

SHARPSVILLE AREA HIGH SCHOOL

PREPARING TOMORROW'S LEADERS - EDUCATION FOR THE HEAD, HEART AND HAND

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Want to share your opinion, voice your concerns, ask important questions, or help guide the future of the high school? Join Mr. Dadich's Parent Advisory Council. The first meeting will take place at 7:00PM on Monday, October 26th in the high school library.

First K-12 Pep Rally

We held our very first K-12 pep rally on October 2nd during Homecoming Weekend. Check out the pictures from this event on the last page. Thanks to the elementary and middle schools for joining us in a celebration of Sharpsville!

Financial Aid Nights

Mrs. Keller will be holding a Financial Aid Information Meeting for parents of seniors. Please stay tuned for further details. She will be adding another date in the spring for the parents of current juniors so they can get a jump start on planning for the 2016-2017 school year. Freshman students will be going on a college visit in November.

A word from the principal...

Welcome to the 2015-2016 school year. The first month of school has been excellent. It is great to have the students back in school and I am looking forward to our many adventures from now through June of 2016. We have some brand new courses including Pitt American Politics, Pitt Chemistry, Foundations of Research, Entrepreneurship, and Financial Literacy and we have started a new program designed to provide freshman



students with the support necessary for them to succeed in high school and beyond. This new concept, Freshman Academy, will focus on providing students with an opportunity to explore their learning styles, research potential careers, visit a college campus, and learn how set high goals and develop a plan to accomplish those goals in a timely manner.

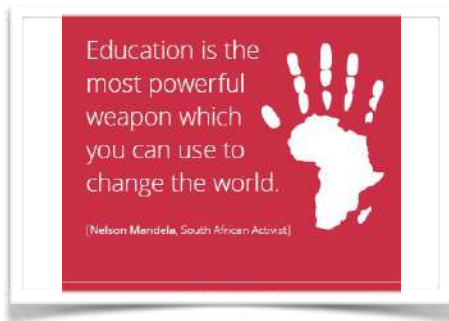
Please consider joining me at my Parent Advisory Council meetings at the end of each month. It truly takes a community to raise a child and I would love to have you as a valued partner in our continued effort to provide every Sharpsville Area High School student the best educational experience in Pennsylvania.

I am proud to serve this community, our students, and you - their parents and guardians. Thank you for allowing me to do so.

Respectfully Yours,

Timothy J. Dadich





The is a new Devil's Den for 2015-2016

Please be sure to stay abreast of what is happening in the high school. Mr. Dadich has created a new site for his "Devil's Den" information page. You can find the following information:

- School Vision and Mission
- Daily announcements provided to all students.
- Mr. Dadich's Blog - covering his thoughts throughout the year as well as student and teacher success stories.
- Important school documents and other downloads.
- Upcoming dates for events.
- Video and photos.

Think there is something missing from the page? Then contact Mr. Dadich at tdadich@sasdpride.org or at 724-962-8300 Ext: 1850 to let him know.

VISIT THE NEW DEVIL'S DEN AT:

www.tdadich7.wix.com/devilsden

School News - From Our Staff

Spanish

Mrs. Toth's students will begin their 'Family Project' in Spanish II and in Ms. Stoner's Spanish IV students selected a Spanish speaking country and designed the flag and a map and listed some of the information in Spanish. The drawings are currently decorating her wall. Students then chose a Spanish-speaking country on which to do a presentation in Spanish.

They used the new chrome books to create the presentations which included: the flag, a map, basic facts, and extra research on a topic pertinent to that country. They are currently memorizing information from the presentations. The amount of Spanish used in the classroom is steadily increasing. They also practice their Spanish with semi-regular discussions in Spanish.

Industrial Technology

The Introduction to Engineering and Design students have been learning to use the shop equipment, completing their safety tests, and are applying some of their new skills toward creating the new 'Santa comes to Sharpsville' Christmas signs for Mr. Haywood/ Sharpsville Service Club.

The new Entrepreneurship class has been busy using the new 3D printer and label machine to help with the signs and to start designing products for the school and community to purchase. Students are doing market research in preparation on upcoming lessons focusing on the creation of formal business plans.

The Robotics class has been busy designing their competition robots for the 2015-2016 competitions (4 competitions in all). The new CNC Plasma Cutter has been put to good use - students are becoming quite proficiently in the process of programming the machine to cut metal.



English

Mr. Borowicz Literature and Composition III is four chapters into 'The Great Gatsby'. The students will complete a formal, college style research paper after the novel on some historic aspect of the time period and its portrayal in the novel (ie prohibition, speak-easy's, Jazz, etc). Mr. Borowicz's Literature and Composition I classes are several chapters into 'Shane'. The students are focusing on the author's use of plot structure, rising action, climax, falling action, symbolism. The students will eventually complete some compare/contrast writing on the novel and movie version.



Ms. Weingartner's AP Comp is doing the Foretelling the Future Unit. She investigated an interesting article with students regarding high school GPA and overall success after high school. The article can be found at: <http://www.medicaldaily.com/high-school-gpa-strongly-predicts-future-income-and-later-well-being-283304#.Vg6kBk1IDQI.email>

Social Studies

News from RM 82 - Mr. Kalpich

- The new CHS American Politics books have arrived. The two-volume set includes the Pitt-recommended textbook (The American Political System, by Ken Kollman) and the supplement (Readings in American Politics: Analysis and Perspective, also by Kollman).
- His classes again have a digital subscription to the New York Times for use in Current Events.
- Mr. Kalpich is working to establish Google Groups for all of his classes to share online copies of the WH textbook, assignments, and videos.



Science

In Honors Physics and Physics, students recently completed a project, "Start Your Engines." For this project, the students were challenged to design and construct a model vehicle initially propelled by mechanical means that was the fastest, longest-running in the class. Students then made measurements and calculations which correlate to kinematics, their current unit of study.



Student Clubs and Organizations

LEAD Team has been busy raising money for the school-based food pantry. This project is the creation of one of our LEAD members, Lily Abinader (Grade 10), and is designed to provide our most needy students with healthy meals/snacks. Contact Mr. Dadich or the school nurse, Mrs. Mehler if you would like your son or daughter to receive access. Upcoming projects include:

- Club Fair to recruit students into different organizations and encourage student involvement in school (Christian Hermann and Bobby Demofonte).
- Creating a student survey on school climate and instruction. This survey will be completed by all students and the results will be reviewed by both the LEAD Team and staff (Elysse Rogers).
- Organizing professionals within different career clusters (STEM, medical, humanities, industry, etc...) to come in to the high school and meet with students interested in entering or finding out more about those fields/professions (Abby Ferlin).
- The continuation of Sharpsville Moving Forward student support group. This group is being headed this year by original creator Hayleigh Coryea and fellow LEAD member, Hannah Mueller.

Yearbook

Attic Sale. The yearbook staff will be selling old editions (1964-2015) of the Devil's Log. We will be selling them through October 31. Cost is \$5 each. Proceeds benefit the Devil's Log and Lead Team. To order or to check availability of a year: contact Jack Ference at 724-962-8300 ext. 1074 or e-mail jference@sasdpriide.org. The yearbooks will also be on sale during home football games.



The 2016 edition of the Devil's Log is on sale now. Cost is \$45 per book if ordered by December 31, 2015. After that date, the cost increases to \$50. Order forms will be mailed home next week. You can also get the information on the high school webpage by selecting Devil's Log on the right-hand side of the page.

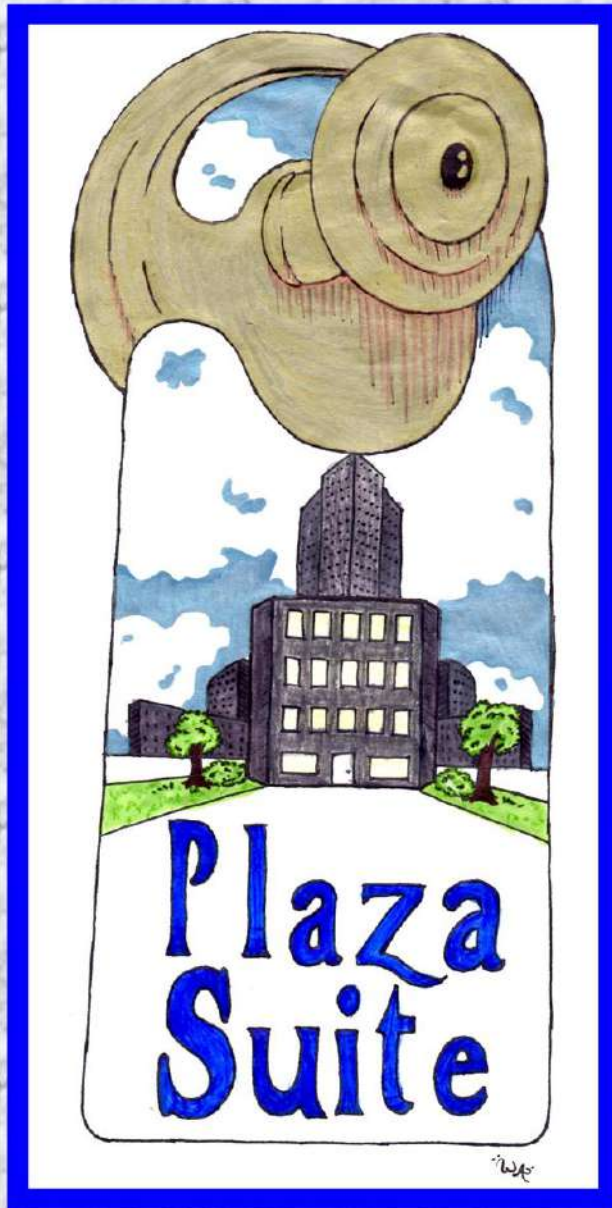
Reminders to parents of seniors: Senior Ads are due by Friday, October 30, 2015; Senior pictures are due by Wednesday, December 23, 2015.

Thespians

Plaza Suite, by Neil Simon, will be produced by the Sharpsville Thespian Boosters on Saturday and Sunday, November 7 & 8, 2015. More details will be forthcoming. The Thespian Club is in need of props for the upcoming performance of Plaza Suite. Following is a list of items that are needed: bed, wall mirror, silver tea set, old electric razor, crystal vase, briefcase, hair brush set, hat boxes, luggage set, ice bucket, old cologne and perfume bottles, salt and pepper shakers, waiter's cart, waste basket, wash basin, and bell boy costume.

The Thespian Club is also accepting donations to add to their prop and supply inventory. If you have old furniture, household items, or unique period clothing, please consider donating them to our club. We are also in need of filing cabinets, bookshelves and organizing containers (totes, divided containers).

Sharpsville Thespian Boosters presents



by Neil Simon

Saturday, November 7, 2015

Dinner Theatre

Tickets \$20

House opens at 5:30 p.m.

Curtain at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner served after Act 1

Sunday, November 8, 2015

Matinee

Tickets \$8

House opens at 1:30 p.m.

Curtain at 2:00 p.m.

**Sharpsville High
School Auditorium**

Directed by Eileen Ference

**A Chinese Auction
will be held
in conjunction
with the show**

"Plaza Suite (Neil Simon)" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.

Student Council

HS Student council is planning a blood drive and will be developing a line of blue devil gear for sale to students and to the public. The Blue Devil Spirit Wear will include general spirit clothing and other merchandise. Please stay tuned for further details on both items.

Natural Helpers

The Natural Helpers have been busy with the Freshman Mentoring Program and Friday Face Painting at the Elementary. They are also in the process of raising money for breast cancer awareness

Teens That Care

TTC is currently planning its annual Veterans Day Flag Display.

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America

The Sharpsville FCCLA will be raising money for their upcoming leadership conference in November at Norwin High School. Please stay tuned for more details.

Senior Class

Homecoming was a success. The football team beat West Middlesex and the dance was enjoyed by all.



2015 Court from left to right:

Mitchell Swartz, Emma Gerasimek, Brady Hogue, Nina Barnes, Eugena Davies, Josh Weaver, Casie Scott, and Aaron Trontel. **King and Queen:** Brady Hogue and Casie Scott





