PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES

Parent Newsletter Martin Brewer, Superintendent



STRONG SCHOOLS. STRONG COMMUNITY.

Our Mission: PASD creates learning communities that prepare each student to live, work and learn successfully in a changing world.

Spring is here, and with that comes spring break! We wish our students, families, and staff a safe, healthy, and relaxing break. <u>Click here</u> to read the latest update regarding to new bus schedules and out-of-state travel quarantining.

Pictured Right: Dry Creek preschoolers decorated easter eggs for an art project.



APRIL 2, 2021

Tentative Plans for In-Person Graduation Ceremonies

We are excited to announce our tentative plans to offer in-person graduation ceremonies for our Class of 2021 at Port Angeles High School and Lincoln High School. Under current Phase 3 guidelines, each graduate will have the opportunity to invite up to two guests to attend ceremonies in-person. We also plan to offer a live stream of the PAHS graduation ceremony to ensure that all family members and friends will have the chance to participate in this occasion.

Port Angeles High School Graduation is scheduled for Friday, June 11. To provide the safest possible environment for our graduation ceremony, the current plan is to hold the event at Civic Field. Lincoln High School Graduation is scheduled for Monday, June 14. Location information to be released at a later date. All people in attendance must wear face coverings and maintain a safe physical distance. Other COVID-19 precautions will be posted as necessary.

Keep in mind, the phase status for each county is individually evaluated every three weeks. While all counties moved into Phase 3 on March 22, 2021, it is possible that Clallam County's phase could change by the time graduation comes around. Planning must adjust to any such changes to prioritize public safety.



While we are working through details, we know how important it is to get this initial information to the Class of 2021, their families, and our community. Thank you for your support, grace, and flexibility during these uncertain times. Please understand that these plans are tentative and based upon the current conditions of the pandemic. Thanks for your ongoing partnership as we near this momentous celebration!

Leis for graduation (provided by Bada Bloom) are now on sale for \$25/each. Forms are available in the front of the office at Lincoln, PAHS, and the district office for Seaview. Or you can order <u>here.</u>

PASD Parent Newsletter

April 2, 2021

Page 2

Celebrating Student Success!



PAHS Senior Henry Shaw built this wooden stand-up paddleboard in Tim Branham's woodworking class! Henry has taken woodworking all four years. This hollow paddleboard is 30lbs and is made out of spalted cherry and sapele wood. It only took him three months to create and he plans to take it out on Lake Crescent to get it on the water soon. His next project is a hope chest that he is building with wood from his Grandfather. Way to go, Henry! Your woodworking skills are impressive!

Did you know that April is National Poetry Month?

ALL MONTH LONG WE WILL BE SPOTLIGHTING STUDENT POETRY. FIRST UP, WE HAVE ELVIRA TINOCO-WHEELER FROM MS. FARRIERS 5TH GRADE CLASS AT DRY CREEK ELEMENTARY.

<u>I'm From</u>

I am from cedar trees, From Melaine and Roger I am from Christmas Eve and opening presents. I am from Indian tacos and Mexican food. From Lower Elwha and my Mexican grandpa From family reunion to tribal dances Black and red and white I am from my dogs Tessa and Buddy.



PAHS THESPIAN SOCIETY PRESENTS DIRECTED BY BREANNA SCHAFER-MURPHY AND TALIA ANDERSON LIVESTREAMED BY R.A.V.E.

ROSSUM'S UNIVERSAL ROBOTS

PERFORMANCES: April 9, 10, 16, 17 at 7PM 11, 18 at 2 PM



GENERAL ADMISSION: \$7.50 Get your tickets now for this special livestreamed event by clicking the banner!

ORDER YOUR TICKETS AT PORTANGELES.BOOKTIX.COM

April 2, 2021

Page 3

<u>The Seattle Times Take two!</u>



SEATTLETIMES.COM

To serve kids in the pandemic, a tribe and a Washington school district create a... Leaders from larger school districts had visions of creating these go-between spaces for students while school buildings were closed. Within the...

Last month, The Times published an article featuring the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe and PASD's partnership in opening the Learning Center. We are honored and grateful to have this strong relationship to help our students succeed.

Check it out!

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month: Order Your Pinwheels for Prevention

Spread the word about Pinwheels for Prevention! The Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) is observing April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) month by raising awareness in communities about child abuse and neglect prevention. This initiative uses pinwheels – a timeless symbol for childhood – to represent its campaign. <u>Place your pinwheel order today!</u>

Hello & Farewell!

Detective Shane Martin has been acting as the school district School Resource Officer for the last two years. Detective Martin moved into the school setting so seamlessly and did a wonderful job of supporting the students and staff of our district in a positive and encouraging way. Thank you, Detective Martin! You will be missed greatly!

Officer Swift Sanchez joined our PASD team as our new SRO. We so are excited to have Officer Sanchez supporting our students and families. She grew up in Forks, is an enrolled tribal member, and has been in law enforcement for 20 years. She is a Lt. Commander with the US Naval Reserve and deployed to Afghanistan in 2018-2019 (she served overseas for 10 months). She has been with PAPD since 2016 and is the coordinator of our Police Explorer program. Swift has a master's degree in criminal justice and a bachelor's degree in social work. She lives with her family in Port Angeles and took over as the assigned SRO on March 13, 2021. She will be a part of the Detective Division and will be trained and certified as a Detective. Welcome, Officer Sanchez!





Detective Shane Martin

Chief Brian Smith and Officer Swift Sanchez

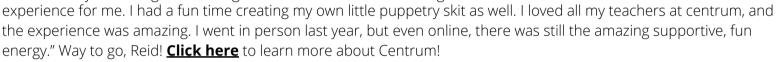
PASD Parent Newsletter

April 2, 2021

Have you heard of Centrum? Each year, 7th-9th grade students from around Washington gather for an

Each year, 7th-9th grade students from around Washington gather for an immersive five-day program where students are introduced to the world of arts and ideas, creative risk-taking, and personal development. It's a total learning environment that takes music, visual arts, writing, and many other art mediums out of the studio and into your home! Usually, students gather in person at Fort Warden in Port Townsend, but this year was unique and offered remotely!

PAHS Student, Reid Schmidt, who attended this year's Centrum program remotely, shared, "I had the best time at centrum. I loved learning how to draw these little cartoon characters and creating my own. I had a great time learning different parts of a song, and different types of songs, which helped me create my own song. Performing in front of an audience was a great



<u>I Pledge Allegiance....</u>



Roosevelt students in Mrs. Fritschler's 2nd-grade class will have the honor of leading the House of Representatives and State Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance next month. They practiced the pledge and recorded the video in one perfect take! Students learned about the pledge and why we salute our flag every morning during class. Way to go, students, and thank you Mrs. Fritschler!

THANK YOU clallam county school referees association



GIVING THANKS

Members from the Clallam County School Retirees Association attended the March 11th Board of Directors meeting to receive our thanks for their support. Each year they offer grants to our hard-working teachers!

Pictured: Lora Brabant, President of the Retirees Association, and Beverly Brown, a retired PASD music teacher.



PASD Parent Newsletter

FBLA WINTER CONFERENCE AWARDS

The Port Angeles High School chapter of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) had a successful round of competition in March. We had 10 FBLA members from Port Angeles compete in our Virtual Puget Sound Region Winter Conference held between January 30th and February 20th. This conference is a qualifier for our state conference held in Spokane, WA in April. There were approx. 99 students competing from 10 chapters from the Puget Sound Region. We had all 10 members qualify for the state including 5 who placed first in their event! Wow! The future sure does look bright!





April 2, 2021

Pictured above from left to right: Corey Young, Abby Sanders, Talia Anderson, Lilly Sanders, Cindy Liang, Amber Johnson, and Liberty Lauer

Pictured above from left to right: Front row: Liberty Lauer and Lilly Sanders Back Row: Luke Gavin and Abby Sanders

PLEASE CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FOR THEIR SUCCESS:

• Olivia Tejeda - 5th Place in Advertising

- Abby Sanders 1st Place in Graphic Design; 2nd Place in Public Speaking; 2nd in Business Communication
- Amber Johnson 3rd Place in Accounting
- Cindy Liang 4th Place in Intro to Financial Math; 1st Place in Intro to Business Communication
- Corey Young 2nd Place in Accounting; 4th Place in Political Science; 6th Place in Personal Finance
- Josh Gavin 3rd Place in Organizational Leadership; 4th Place in Health Care Administration
- Liberty Lauer 1st Place in Political Science; 2nd Place in Publication Design; 1st Place in Intro to Financial Matt; 2nd Place in Digital Video Production
- Lilly Sanders 2nd Place in Advertising; 2nd Place in Intro to Business Communication
- Luke Gavin 1st Place in Supply Chain Management; 3rd Place in International Business; 1st Place in Supply Chain Management; 2nd Place in Public Service Announcement.
- Olivia Tejeda 3rd Place in International Business; 2nd Place in Public Service Announcement
- Talia Anderson 1st Place in Graphic Design

PAINT_&_SIP_WITH_UNITED_WAY!_

Tickets are now on sale for United Way's virtual Paint & Sip Fundraising Event! Join Natalie from Pour Sip Paint and the United Way team on Zoom on April 22nd from 6-9pm.

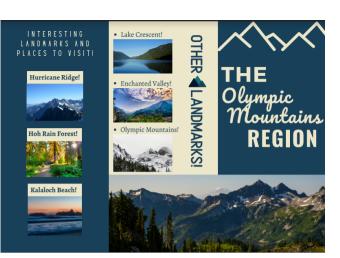
This family-friendly event is perfect for artists and non-artists alike. The registration cost of \$55 per person includes the paint kit mailed to your door with everything you need to participate, as well as a donation to the United Way Clallam Community Fund benefiting our community!

> Registration ends on April 14th. Click the painting below to get your tickets today! Fun!



In March, Nathan Rødahl, PAHS Orchestra Director, met with Washington Music Educators Association leaders and Congressman Derek Kilmer, a PAHS grad and former bass player!!

They discussed the urgent needs of music programs in our schools and celebrated the success of the recent COVID relief bill the congressman helped to pass. This positive discussion ensured that all students continue to access meaningful and historic music programs as we do in Port Angeles. Thank you, Nathan!



<u>Graphic designer in the making!</u>

Check out the travel brochure

above designed by

Daphne Oakes,

Seaview Academy

7th Grader.

Nicely done, Daphne!

Page 5

April 2, 2021



Saturday 10:00am - 1:00pm



We have plenty of food for you. Please come and save your grocery money for other important expenses.

632 N. Oakridge Drive, Port Angeles www.portangelesfoodbank.org



News and Notes, our PASD Parent Newsletter, is emailed out each month during the school year to all staff and is archived on the District's website under Departments, then Communications. For further assistance, contact Carmen Geyer, Communications & Community Relations Coordinator, at cgeyer@portangelesschools.org.

Port Angeles School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Title IX Coordinators, Civil Rights Compliance Coordinators: Scott Harker, 905 W 9th St. Port Angeles, WA 98363, (360) 457-8575, sharker@portangelesschools.org, and for Section 504/ADA Coordinator, Pam Sanford, 905 W 9th St. Port Angeles, WA 98363, (360) 457-8575, psanford@portangelesschools.org.

