



# Pittsville

First Quarter, 2014-2015

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS**



## From the Desk of District Administrator Terry Reynolds...

The fall season is now upon us, and we are beginning to feel some colder weather moving in. With the advent of this change in seasons, it is very important that everyone begin thinking about the possibility of school cancellations. As you are aware, in Wisconsin, our weather can be very unpredictable, and parents should begin preparing for school cancellations/postponements, etc. Do you have a child care plan if school is cancelled? If school is dismissed early, does the office, your provider, the bus company, and your child know what your plan is? To make plans the day school is cancelled is not a good idea, as with over 600 students enrolled at Pittsville, it would be virtually impossible to deal with all telephone calls coming in from parents. Today is a great time to review and communicate your desires by updating your emergency contact information, if you have not already done so.

The District is again utilizing the School Messenger (Skylert) system to notify parents of any cancellations. Parents should update any changes of their phone contact information as soon as possible in the Skyward Family Access Accounts. Please contact the School if you have any questions regarding the School Messenger system.

### IN OTHER NEWS:

As part of the new state accountability system, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has produced report cards for every district and school in Wisconsin. These report cards provide data on multiple indicators for four priority areas:

- **Student Achievement** – performance on the WKCE and WAA-SwD in reading and mathematics
- **Student Growth** – improvement over time on the WKCE in reading and mathematics
- **Closing Gaps** – progress of student subgroups in closing gaps in reading and mathematics performance and/or graduation rates.
- **On-track and Postsecondary Readiness** – performance on key indicators of readiness for graduation and post-secondary pursuits, whether college or career.

Performance on three Student Engagement indicators is also reported. These three indicators affect student success and school effectiveness.

- **Test Participation Rate**, with a goal of 95% test participation for all students and each subgroup.
- **Absenteeism Rate**, with a goal of 13 percent or less.
- **Dropout Rate**, with a goal of six percent or less.

A district's or school's Overall Accountability Score places the district or school into one of five Overall Accountability Ratings:

- Significantly Exceeds Expectations
- Exceeds Expectations
- Meets Expectations
- Meets Few Expectations
- Fails to Meet Expectations

The Pittsville School District Ratings for 2013-14 were as follows:

- Pittsville School District** – Meets Expectations
- Pittsville Elementary** – Meets Expectations
- Pittsville High School** – Exceeds Expectations

The District and Elementary School improved their ratings from the 2012-13 ratings, while the High School were able to remain in the Exceeds Expectations category. We also can be very proud of the High School's ACT scores which were released earlier this fall. The High School students ACT scores were the best in the Marawood Conference and the second best in Central Wisconsin. The Pittsville School District can be very proud of the academic accomplishments that our students earned again last year. The District staff and administration continue to work very hard to provide the best learning experiences possible in order to for our students to have the opportunity to be successful.

## PITTSVILLE SCHOOL BOARD PASSES RESOLUTION

On October 29, the Pittsville School Board passed a resolution authorizing the borrowing of not to exceed \$2,560,946; and providing for the issuance and sale of general obligation promissory notes thereafter. This resolution was the initial step in the School Board moving forward with an energy efficiency facilities project in the District. So what facilities work will be completed through this project?

1. **Core Energy Conservation Measures** include: Lighting, plumbing, controls, building envelope and variable speed drives will be replaced throughout all facilities in the District.
2. **Facility Improvement Measures** include: New cooling tower replacement – High School
3. **New roof on the 1965/West Wing – Elementary School** – eliminate rooftop unit penetrations.  
Comprehensive Controls upgrade which consolidates the controls into one system in all buildings, which will provide the opportunity to control all areas through one system more effectively and efficiently.

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## BOARD PASSES RESOLUTION

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4. **Install a new Variable Flow Refrigerant HVAC system in the 1965 / West Wing Elementary School.** This eliminates the rooftop units with an entirely new HVAC system for this wing, and eliminates the need to replace the outdated boiler and air handling unit. Existing duct work will be maintained.

The projected cost for the initial year note for this project are estimated to be approximately \$50.00 per \$100,000 property value, with the remaining 14 year notes decreasing from that amount over the remaining years. This work will provide an annual guaranteed energy savings of \$57,830 each year for the District which for the 15 years will be used to offset the cost of the project and debt service each year. The upgrades are necessary costs the District will need to incur in coming years. Through this Act 32 project, the District will be able to move forward with the update of facility infrastructure needs at as minimal cost to the tax payer as possible. By doing this work the District will also lessen the amount of classroom budget dollars needing to be pulled away to offset the cost of these facility needs as they occur. These facility projects of course do not eliminate all of the facility and grounds work that will need to be completed in the future, but will provide relief for the most immediate needs to assist in maintaining a quality classroom environment for students and staff for the next 20-30 years.

The School Board provided information to District residents and allow for public questions to be answered at multiple meetings in September and October. At a Special Meeting held on October 29, the Performance Contract was approved along with the final resolution to exceed the levy limits for debt service on the energy efficiency financing.

# Meet the New Staff...

My name is **Kate Van Haren** and I am the new 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. I grew up in Stevens Point, but have spent the last few years working as a Peace Corps volunteer in Macedonia and teaching on the Yakima reservation in Washington State. I enjoyed being back for the long Wisconsin Fall and Packer Season. As crazy as it may seem, I'm excited for my first Wisconsin winter in a few years. My skis are waiting to be waxed and anxiously waiting the first snowfall. I'm thankful that the students for the warm welcome and offers of help I've received as I've made the transition to becoming a Pittsville resident.



Hi! My name is **Kristin Blaser** and I am so excited to be a part of the Pittsville 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Team! It's going to be a fun year full of lots of learning and new adventures and I can't wait to see what the year has in store for us. I was born and raised in Marshfield. I went to UW-Stout and earned a degree in Early Childhood Education. I then taught 4-Year-Old Kindergarten in Clintonville for the last 9 years. I also, earned my Master's Degree in Education and Professional Development through UW-River Falls. I have 2 children, Madison who is 6 and Landon who is 3. We are very excited to be back in this area.

Hello, my name is **Marla Brogan!** I know so many of you from living in the community and well as through my hubby-Mike Brogan (long time teacher and coach) and my children Matthew and Mickenzie. I spent majority of my career (34 years) as a social worker. I started as a substitute teacher her in Pittsville and found it to be interesting as well as rewarding. I applied for support staff position as I enjoy being with the students at all levels. So far the year has been challenging but at the same time a learning experience. You never stop learning! Thank you to the staff for all your support and warm welcome!



Hi, my name is **Alyssa Anderson**. I am a Spencer native. I graduated from UW-Stevens Point with a major in Family and Consumer Sciences Education. This is my first full-time teaching position and am very excited that I got the chance to become a Panther. We have a full house that includes; Brielle- 7 year old niece, Jace-6 month old son, two labs- Hank and Cash and completing our family is my husband Jesse who is an Electrician out of Spencer.

Hello! My name is **Ron Klein**, a new member to the Pittsville 3rd Grade Team. I'm very excited to be a part of the Pittsville Staff! It's going to be a fun year full of new adventures and a lot of learning. I can't wait to see what the rest of the year has in store for us. I grew up in Auburndale. I received my teaching degree from UW-Stevens Point in Early Childhood Education. I taught 4-Year-Old Kindergarten and Kindergarten for 10 years in Granton and the last 3 were in Loyal teaching First Grade. I am very excited for the opportunity to teach here and work with your students.



Hi, my name is **Tara Grossman**. I graduated from UW La Crosse with a bachelor's degree in Math Secondary Education and a master's degree in Professional Development. Prior to coming to Pittsville, I taught at Tomah High School, Port Edwards Middle/High School, and Auburndale High School. I enjoy volleyball, softball and spending time with my family. I live on a dairy farm in Pittsville with my husband and 5 kids- ages 9, 7, 5, 3, and 11 months. I am excited to be back in my hometown!

Hi, my name is **Tim Delnay**. I was born and raised in Lexington, Ohio and graduated from Bowling Green State University with a degree in music education. I taught in school districts in both Ohio and Wisconsin. I am proud to say that High school choirs under my direction have received straight Firsts at large group contest for three years in a row. I am excited to be here at Pittsville and hope to continue the tradition of musical excellence.



My name is **Amy Manhardt** and I live in Wisconsin Rapids with my husband (Richard) and dog (Zoey). We are expecting our first child in January. I am excited to be the PEP grant coordinator for Pittsville as well as teaching 5<sup>th</sup> grade physical education. I also have the privilege of being the assistant cross country coach and I am enjoying every minute. I graduated from UW-Stevens Point in 2011 with a degree in physical education, health education, and adaptive physical education. I ran cross country and track for the university for 2 years. Since then I have been coaching middle/high school track and field, middle school basketball, middle school volleyball and competitive soccer in central Wisconsin. I am also a certified soccer referee and have been for 12 years, this summer I started mentoring new referees. I have also been substitute teaching in Wisconsin Rapids and Port Edwards.



## “Counselor’s Corner: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter” ~ Emily Krystowiak, 8-12 School Counselor

**Pittsville Juniors Attend Wisconsin Education Fair at MSTC & Tour UWSP September 19, 2014.** Pittsville juniors had the opportunity to visit with college reps from over 90 different colleges and universities across the Mid-West region at the annual Wisconsin Education Fair held at MSTC on September 19, 2014. Juniors were able to obtain information for schools they may be interested in attending. From there, they traveled to UWSP and received a campus tour. This gave them first-hand experience of what a college campus is like. Students will be discussing their experience during their Junior Conference which will be held in November or December.

**Teen Leadership Council Continues.** TLC mentor students are continuing to meet with their assigned mentee group twice a month, once during lunch and once during RTI/PPT, to do different team building activities as well as discuss school and life topics. Mentee groups are consistent from last year being that 7<sup>th</sup> grade students are paired with 10<sup>th</sup> grade mentors, 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are paired with 11<sup>th</sup> grade mentors, and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students are paired with 12<sup>th</sup> grade mentors. TLC mentor students have met four times already this year with their students over the last month and half of school. We continue to encourage mentee’s to take full advantage of this time with their mentors.

**Pittsville 8<sup>th</sup> grade students attend “Heavy Metal” Tour on October 8, 2014.** The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class had a unique opportunity to participate in the Heavy Metal tour that was put on by the Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce on October 8<sup>th</sup>. All students were able to tour two area business’, A & B Processing Systems in Stratford, WI and Innovative Machine Specialists in Marshfield, WI. Students were able to see what manufacturing in Wisconsin looks like up and close. The day ended with a lunch at Mid-State Technical College in Marshfield where students received final instruction on the benefits of working in type of industry.

**Freshmen Students Complete First Round of ASPIRE Testing.** During the week of October 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, the 9<sup>th</sup> grade class took the first round of the ACT ASPIRE test. Approximately 250 tests were taken in the areas of Reading, Writing, English, Math, & Science. This was the first set of state-mandated tests that were taken on students Chrome books. We were proud of our freshmen and the effort they put into doing their best!

## Important Reminders for Upper Classmen

### SENIORS

- *Applications to Colleges and Tech Schools should be completed soon; Halloween = Ahead of the Game, Thanksgiving = On Time, and Christmas = Slightly Behind.* Remember, the earlier you are accepted, the sooner you can apply for scholarships as well as indicate housing requests from your university/college.
- Please remember to inform Mrs. Krystowiak after you have applied & been accepted to any college or university.
- Please remember to continually check the scholarship webpage for updated scholarships; HS Home Page, School Counseling Tab, Scholarship Tab, 2014-2015 Scholarships and Contests Tab.
- Transcripts can be requested via the HS Home Page, Transcripts-How to obtain. Parchment is our new provider for online transcripts. There is a \$4.00 fee for official transcripts and no fee for unofficial. Please make sure the correct one is being requested. Please allow at least one full day for processing.
- Cap & Gown information has been handed out to the senior class. Please stop in the main office if information is needed.
- Senior Conferences should be completed by now. If you have questions about your students’ conference, feel free to call me or check in with them!

### JUNIORS

- **Junior Conferences** are scheduled for October, November, and December; please make sure you have made your appointment with your junior student and yourself. A 45 to 60 minute block between the hours of 7:15 am and 2:45 pm are needed.
- **ACT Preparation:** It is not too early to start practicing for the ACT. Online preparation is available; HS Home Page, School Counseling Tab. You can also check out larger preparations books from the library.
- **ACT DATES:** Register ONLINE at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
  - ✓ December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014; Register by November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014
  - ✓ February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015; Register by January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - ✓ April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015; Register by March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - ✓ June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015; Register by May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- **Accuplacer:** The Accuplacer is the admission test used by many technical colleges, including MSTC. The Accuplacer can be taken at any time at PHS for only \$10.00. Your scores are good for 5 years so taking it early will put you ahead of the game. Please see Mrs. Krystowiak for more information and/or sign up.

## Cancellations, Delays, Early Dismissals

If weather conditions are such that you think the school schedule may be interrupted, please listen to one of the radio or television stations listed below. Notification of cancellations, delays, or early dismissals due to inclement weather will also be made through the Pittsville School District’s Skylert/SchoolMessenger system. Parents should have an emergency plan for dealing with these situations for the safety and health of their children. Do not drop children off at school on mornings when school is to be delayed, as there is not supervision available on those days.

WIFC	95.5 FM	WOFM	94.7 FM	WSAW	TV-7
WOSQ	92.3 FM	WEAU	TV-13	WAOW	TV-9

### COMMUNITY WALKERS

Pittsville Elementary School will be open for walking every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Please use Entrance B.



# PHS News

Greetings!

With the frost settling into the soil and the leaves almost gone, Mother Nature is saying goodbye to fall and hello to winter. Pittsville High School is having a similar conversation, as we bid adieu to football, cross-country and volleyball, and welcome basketball, music performances, the play, and wrestling, among others. But these events are only the most noticeable of the happenings at PHS.

The biggest event recently was the Aspire test that was given to the freshman class. Aspire-9 replaces the old EXPLORE test, and is the first of the high-stakes state tests that we will administer this year. In the spring, we will give the freshmen Aspire 9 again, as well as Aspire 10 (formerly PLAN) to the sophomores, and ACT to the juniors. These assessments will serve many purposes. They will show us the growth of the 9<sup>th</sup> graders between October and May. Since they are sequential tests, they will also show us the growth in a full academic year for grades 9-10-11. The scores will also be used for scheduling, as well as career planning. We will be an official site for the ACT test in March. Many of us recognize the ACT as being used as a college entrance standard. Did you know that it is also used as a method for technical college programming? Logically, the Aspire tests are set up to get students ready for the ACT. So you can see how important these tests are to the future of our students. That is why our staff has worked so hard to tailor our instruction to enhance these test scores, as well as our student's college and career readiness.

Academically, there is something to take special note of. Pittsville High School has the highest average ACT score in the entire region for high schools that have a population of less than 1,200. Our score of 23.6 was 1.5 points higher than the state average. That is very significant, and something of which to be extremely proud.

Our State Report Card shows that we have again Exceeded Expectations with a score of 73.3, and are making plans to continue to increase our score (and our student learning) in future years. Through a program we are calling Career and College Readiness, we are working as a staff to accomplish this goal, in part, by increasing our emphasis on academic skill mastery.

As I visit classrooms during the day, I am often truly amazed at the quality of learning that I see taking place. I see many student-driven activities, where our young adults are having deep conversations about relevant subjects, or helping each other understand concepts; all while being guided by a skillful and caring faculty. We are making great strides here at PHS. I am happy to see, as the calendar moves toward the winter months, our students also moving; toward higher academic achievement and a greater range of choices for their futures.

Mark Weddig, PHS Principal



AP Students working on writing the DCQ Argumentative Essay for the AP Test in May.

## EMPT- Early Math Placement Tool

During a time when reflection, goals and data driven decisions are in high demand, the high school math department has chosen a math screening tool that is sponsored by the University of Wisconsin System for helping students see how ready they are to pursue math courses within post-secondary education.

The EMPT, Early Math Placement, is a shortened version of the math placement tests that nearly all post-secondary campuses require for the purpose of placing students into the appropriate level of math upon entering college or technical school. By taking the EMPT, which is composed of retired placement test questions, it allows students to obtain their current placement and set goals for what they as an individual would like to achieve in math prior to graduation. The intention of the EMPT program is to encourage students to pursue further math education beyond the required junior year by taking college prep courses. By taking math during a student's senior year, placement test scores are higher and students are able to avoid remediation in college math.

Here at Pittsville, most juniors will be taking the EMPT as part of their current math courses and will receive immediate feedback from the UW-System recognizing their strengths, weakness and rank amongst all students taking the EMPT within the state. This information will be used by students to make decisions regarding their future PHS courses and help staff to update and create enriched curriculum.

## English Department News

Fall is in the air and student writing is being submitted to the various poetry and essay contests available to PHS English classes. Opportunities abound to win recognition, money, or scholarships. The three contests that Mrs. Sanken and Ms. Freedlund's English classes entered include: Creative Communication, The Fleet Reserve Essay Contest, and UW-SP Writers' Workshop.

One good reason to enter a contest is to receive recognition for excellence in writing. Offered twice a year, the Creative Communication contest gives students an opportunity to have their poetry or short story evaluated and critiqued. Winners of this contest receive certificates of participation.

Of course, a many students like to enter contests to win money-as is the case of the Fleet Reserve Americanism Essay. Several of our students have written excellent essays on the topic: "Why I am Proud to be an American". Local students can win \$100 in grades 7-12 and advance to the state and national level where the Grand Prize is \$5,000. Pittsville students have had much success with this essay winning at multiple grade levels for many years.

The English Department at UW-SP has sponsored a Writers' Workshop for juniors and seniors since 1973. There are five categories: Familiar Essay, Speculative Fiction, Fiction/Short Stories, Poetry, and Outdoor Essay. PHS has participated in the contest since the beginning. In fact, one of our graduates won a scholarship to UW-SP with her writing and is currently an English teacher. Approximately twenty students in Advanced Placement Language and Composition, Composition I, and Creative Writing submitted essays for the workshop which will be held December 4. This fall, student writing is paying off!



## Family and Consumer Science Department Local Foods & 8th grade Plant to Plate News

We have had a great amount of garden surplus donated to the Local Foods class from the Pittsville community-thank you all! The students are about to finish the course but have left with a sense of pride with learning how to use fresh produce from the local area. In lab, students have created: fresh salsa, pumpkin pie, squash spice cake, homemade spaghetti sauce and squash noodles - and MUCH more! In the coming week, the students will focus on using cranberries, donated by Tom and Janeen Gardner, in various ways to expand their knowledge- hopefully there will be leftover treats that will be placed in the teachers' lounge to taste test! The 8th grade class, Plant to Plate & Local Foods class, got to be involved in harvesting and preparing the squash from the school garden; the squash will be used in the upcoming lunch program by Food Director Joe Dostal.



## PHS Drama Club Presents: "An All You Can Murder Buffet"

"Save the Whales" is a rallying cry for the local community college cheerleaders as they try to raise money for their squad. Confusion ensues when an odd cast of characters arrive at the local eatery, IHOP, during a blizzard. Dead bodies and the anticipation of a "Special Guest" make this mystery/comedy a lot of fun. Who could the murder be? The female impersonator? The tattooed bikers? The conjoined twins or the irritable French cook? A love-struck ventriloquist? Even Santa and his elf are likely suspects as Madam Adelina tries to solve this crime-with a little help from the audience.

The PHS Drama Club will be presenting "An All You Can Murder Buffet" directed by Ms. Sarah Freedlund and Mr. Tim Delnay on November 15 at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday, November 16 at 2:00 P.M. There are over 25 students involved as actors or tech, so there is an excellent chance that someone you know is involved in this year's production. Tickets will be sold at the door.



## News from the Art Department



On October 16, a new group of students starting to make ceramic bowls on the pottery wheels for the "Empty Bowls" dinner that will be held on March 12, 2015 with the proceeds going to P.A.N.S. (Pittsville Area Neighbors Shelf). Our goal for the year is 700 bowls! As the students develop their skill, they will start to trim many bowls in one evening. If you are interested in coming in on Fridays to trim the students' bowls please contact Kris Doering at 715-884-2517, extension 137 or email her atdoenkri@pittsville.k12.wi.us. To trim a bowl it is placed upside down and the excess clay from throwing is removed. Volunteers will be taught how to trim the bowls on the pottery wheels. For those of you inquiring about donating soup: According to the Department of Health, soup donations need to be prepared in a license kitchen as well as prepared on the same day of the event so there is no cooling or reheating involved. If you are interested in helping out, monetary donations can be made towards soup preparation since we cannot take soup donations from private dwellings.

On a side note, whenever you hear the term "throwing clay" that means constructing a ceramic piece on the pottery wheel! We hope to see you on March 12!

## Music Department Updates...

On November 1, Mr. Tim Delnay took the Pittsville Show Choir to Stevens Point for an acapella competition. The show choir and other area high school groups will be judged by the vocal group MaxFactor from NBC's show "The Sing-Off."

On November 2, the Music Department provided an evening of music performed by the high school band, choir, and show choir. Music was a selection from a variety of eighties music. Thank you to the local businesses and individuals who donated wonderful gifts for the raffle.

Twelve students will be representing Pittsville in the Marawood All Conference Band and Choir. The performance will be on November 4 at 7:00 p.m. at Chequemon High School in Park Falls. Students attending the Marawood All-Conference are: Jaimee Arnold, William Darr, Samantha Schooley, Harley Metcalfe, Katie Delaney, Calvin Amundson, Kayla Ignatowski, Brooke Zdun, Cheyenne Meyer, Jack Zdun, Adrienne Week, and Cheryl Soetebier.

The Music Boosters is always looking for more parents to be involved as the music department will be hosting Solo and Ensemble this year. If you are interested in attending our meetings will be in the music room on the first Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

The Music Department will also be setting up a Facebook page so you can catch up on all the latest and greatest news happening in the classroom and with community events.

4K - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Winter program is coming up on Monday, December 15, at the Pittsville Auditorium at 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.



# Elementary News



Dear families,

The staff and I hope you are enjoying the fall season. We have been busy preparing for a variety of experiences for students. In November, we will recognize our Veterans with our Veteran's Day assembly in the auditorium at 9:30 a.m. on 11/11. Please join us if you can! Our Student Council is also focusing their efforts this year to raise money for a veteran to go on an Honor Flight.

The WKCE tests on Science and Social Studies will be given to 4th, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 10th grade students only this year. 8th and 10th graders will take the tests on Tuesday, October 28 and 4th grade will take the tests on Wednesday, November 5.

The staff and I continue to improve our writing curriculum with a year long study and professional development based on best practices. We are also continuing our efforts in improving our science instruction with Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. The staff works diligently during teacher inservice days, and we continue to be excited about what these efforts do to improve student learning.

Along with academic efforts, we continue to emphasize being good community citizens at the elementary level! Elementary students will be involved in Random Act of Community Kindness for 12 school days starting December 1. Last year, we baked bread (an effort called 'Spread the Bread') for firefighters, nursing home residents, and others. Many classrooms sent thank you cards to bus drivers and also showed gratitude in other ways. I am very proud of our staff and students for their continued consideration for all of our community members who make Pittsville a great place to grow up!

On December 4, we will be entertained by our Elementary School play rehearsal at 1:00 p.m. in the auditorium. The public performance will be at 7:00 p.m. on December 5 in the auditorium.

On December 12, our 7th graders will attend a Youth Frontiers Retreat as part of a grant we received to further our anti-bullying efforts.

On December 15, our 4K-2nd grade Winter Concert will take place at 1:00 p.m. for a rehearsal and 6:00 p.m. for a public performance.

Learning Fair, STEM night, Art Fair and Empty Bowls will be held on March 12, 2015. More specific information will be sent home in January. Also in January, families will receive information for signing up for Summer School 2015.

Thank you again for your continued support for our students! The staff and I wish you a joyous Holiday season!

Mrs. Fischer, Elementary Principal

## 5th Grade Visit The Highground Veteran's Memorial

By: Jordan Denniston and Emma Tolzmann

On October 7<sup>th</sup>, the fifth grade went on a field trip to The Highground Memorial in Neillsville. The Highground is a veteran's memorial. Our tour guide, Kirk, is a veteran who told us about each monument and its significance. One of our favorite stations was a hill shaped like a dove. We laid on our stomachs and felt mother earth and were encouraged to leave our troubles there. There were many amazing memorials and we got to meet some veteran's that were also touring the memorial. At the end of the tour, they gave us milk, cookies and a flag souvenir and we ate lunch on their picnic tables. We learned a lot!

Mr. Sanken, Mr. Schultz and the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students would like to thank Jerry Jensen for volunteering to drive the bus to Neillsville. We would also like to thank Kevin Zogleman and the Amercian Legion Post 153 and the Pittsville VFW for making this trip possible.



Nurse practitioner, Paula Hensel visited Mrs. Van Haren's and Mr. Downing's 4th grade classroom to teach students about the circulatory and other body systems. Students enjoyed acting out how the heart and other circulatory components work together to form a system. Everyone had a great time with lots of questions asked and answered. Thank you Paula!

## 8th Grade Students Attend "Heavy Metal" Tour

On October 8, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class had a unique opportunity to participate in the Heavy Metal tour that was put on by the Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce on October 8<sup>th</sup>. All students were able to tour two area business', A & B Processing Systems in Stratford, WI and Innovative Machine Specialists in Marshfield, WI. Students were able to see what manufacturing in Wisconsin looks like up and close. The day ended with a lunch at Mid-State Technical College in Marshfield where students received final instruction on the benefits of working in type of industry.

Parent Conferences were well attended with an Open House and PTO Book Fair on Oct. 21. Thank you to all who attended!





### 2nd Graders in Ms. Sischo's and Ms. Blaser's

classes participated in bridge building activities in October. The second graders read informational text on the process of how bridges are constructed and the titles of the individuals who designed and built them. One of the activities that the children participated in was how a suspension bridge supports its own weight and experimented with a rope to have the forces of push and pull distributed evenly. During another activity, the students experimented with using compression to be a major support of a bridge by grouping four students and using their arms to support each other. Lastly, the students experimented with balancing like a bridge using push and pull with holding hands and leaning in a certain direction. Throughout these activities they had to work as a team just like a team would have to work together to design and construct a bridge. We discussed the structures of bridges and how they work. We also discussed the different jobs that people have who are part of the designing and constructing of bridges. After participating in these activities and reading informational texts, some of the students felt they would like to be part of a designing and constructing team.



### Kindergarten Connection

The Kindergarten classes have been busy learning about apples, pumpkins, the season of Fall, and fire safety. The children were able to identify what the apple tree looks like during each of the seasons and embellished a tree to show their knowledge. The children have learned how to use labeling to identify different parts of an object, i.e. apple parts, fire fighter equipment, and a pumpkin plant.

Students recently were screened using the statewide PALs Kindergarten Assessment. This screening includes alphabet recognition, rhyming words, beginning sounds, phonetic spelling, and concept of word. Results of this screening will be shared with parents during Fall parent/teacher conferences, as well as to help form instruction to meet individual learning needs.

Other highlights include National Walk to School Day on October 8th, making applesauce in our classrooms, and a walking field trip to the Fire Station. We would like to thank Jerry Minor and Linda Schwanebeck for taking the time to share their knowledge with the Kindergarten students.



### 1st Grade & Looping Field Trip

On September 29th, Mrs. Hautala's 1st grade classroom along with Mrs. Denniston's and Mrs. Whitrock's looping classroom journeyed to the Lucille Tack Center for the Arts in Spencer. The students received the opportunity to watch a performance titled "Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great". Sheila, the main character, was taken from books of the award-winning and popular author, Judy Blume. In a performance filled with humor and music, Sheila persists to battle through her inner weaknesses and fears and finally conquers them in the end. The outing proved to be educational and very enjoyable for all!

### 4-Year-Old Kindergarten

The school year has started off quickly for the 4Kgn students in Mrs. Kuehn's class. They have been busy learning in so many ways from cutting and pasting for the many projects, learning how to write and read their names, singing and moving, making new friends and visiting a pumpkin patch!



Don't miss this opportunity to remember the friends, fun, and activities from the 2014-2015 school year by ordering an ALL COLOR Yearbook. The cost is \$25.00 but if you order by December 7, you pay only \$20.00.

Yearbook orders will be on-line only this year. Go to [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com) to place your order. Thanks and we look forward to your order by December 7, 2014.

# YEARBOOK





### Las Noticias... The News

The Spanish Classes are off to a great start. Spanish 1 is learning how to tell time and to say dates currently. Students have been working on speaking in the present tense. They can talk about what they do at school. Spanish 1 students can also talk about their classes in Spanish. Spanish 2 students just finished a project in which they described their daily routine. The class will be moving on to restaurant vocabulary and will be bringing in foods and acting out a restaurant skit for their term final. Spanish 3 and 4 students recently finished learning/reviewing the past tenses. They did a fantastic job on their children's stories. Spanish 3 is moving on to giving directions. Spanish 4 started to learn about different cultural entertainment sources, like Telenovelas. Next week, all Spanish classes will be having a little fun celebrating and learning about *El día de los muertos*. There will be crafts, songs, and face painting involved!

### FFA News and Notes...

State FFA Officer Leeah Luepke is in the picture with the Pittsville Eighth Graders. Leeah spent the period explaining and informing of the students of agricultural opportunities and FFA.



### National Honor Society

The National Honor Society (NHS) at Pittsville High School held a Penny War for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society during homecoming week. Due to the overwhelming generosity of the Pittsville High School student body, staff, and community, we were able to raise \$641.23. This amount was then matched by Forward Financial bank in Marshfield to bring the total to \$1282.46. The 2014 Penny War for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society hit close to home as a senior player on the Auburndale football team is battling lymphoma. Pittsville Panther Pride stepped up and wanted to do something to show our support and solidarity for him. At the homecoming game, we announced that the Pittsville High School NHS conducted a Penny War to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Even though Pittsville and Auburndale are rival schools, we can come together to help each other out in a time of need. NHS President – Kayla Larson and NHS Adviser Mr. Steward.



### Ski & Snowboard Club

Is it snowing yet? What can you do in the winter? Join the ski and snowboard club. There is a Jr High Club you can join in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. In Jr High, we go on many trips to local hills. We have gone to Bruce Mound, Cascade, Granite Peak, Mount LaCrosse, Christie Mountain, Nordic, and Ski Brule. When you get into high school, you can go on all these trips plus we take a weekend trip to Michigan where we stay in a condo on the hill. This year, we are going to Whitecap Mountain. To go on these trips, we raise money by having a chili and pizza feed.

Not old enough or too old to be in the club? Bruce Mound sponsors a Pittsville Day at Bruce Mound on January 3. Mark your calendar and watch your local paper for more details. If you would like to learn to ski or snowboard at any time, for any age, or if you have more questions, you can call Pam at Pittsville High School 715-884-6412.

### PHS Entrepreneurship & Manufacturing News

PHS Entrepreneurship and Manufacturing classes teamed up to market and manufacture products designed and built by PHS students. The classes collaborated to create unique wooden and metal signs. Both types of signs came in a variety of styles and designs. The program gave students the opportunity to develop a product, and then construct, market, and sell that product. This includes product research, product development, advertising, design, manufacturing, and sales. Students in the Entrepreneurship class learned how to maintain business records needed for a business including inventory, shipping information, orders, and financial records. Students in the Manufacturing class learned how to design, program CNC machines, and create signs. For more information, please contact Mrs. Kaster at 715-884-6412 x423 or email at kastekat@pittsville.k12.wi.us or Mr. Hadfield at 715-884-6412 x310 or email at hadfiste@pittsville.k12.wi.us.



### Mr. Steward's 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Biology

Students conducted a water quality survey of the Yellow River using the Citizen Monitoring Biotic Index for Streams and Rivers. The goal of the survey was to determine the health of the Yellow River based on several criteria: number of macroinvertebrates caught, variety of species caught, distribution of species, and the species sensitivity to pollutants. Some of the species collected were Stonefly Larva, Caddisfly Larva, Dragonfly Larva, Mayfly Larva, and a Dobsonfly Larva to name a few.

The macroinvertebrates caught were placed into one of four groups based on their sensitivity to pollutants: Group 1 – Sensitive to pollutants, Group 2 – Semi-Sensitive to pollutants, Group 3 – Semi-Tolerant to pollutants and Group 4 Tolerant to pollutants. After species were placed into one of these groups, the students tabulated and calculated percentages to determine their Index Score. The Index Score ranged from 3.6 and up = Excellent, 2.6-3.5 = Good, 2.1-2.5 = Fair, and 1.0-2.0 = Poor which determined the health of the river.

The section of the Yellow River that passes on the west side of the city of Pittsville and Pittsville High School scored 3.4 (Good) Healthy River score – missing an Excellent Score by 0.2 Students enjoyed applying and understanding how scientific methods in research are used by the Department Of Natural Resources and other scientific agencies in assessing water quality. Overall, the survey and learning by the students was a great success.





Dear Parent and Caregivers:

As our second quarter begins, the staff and I have exciting plans and high expectations for your child's learning. I know that you also have many hopes and dreams for your child's success in school and beyond.

To make sure those hopes and dreams are realized, I want to ask for your commitment to making sure your child attends school every day possible this year. The evidence is clear: **children with good attendance are more likely to be successful in school.** High attendance rates are linked to high student achievement. This is true for every grade – elementary, middle and high school students.

A recent review of student attendance data by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction shows that regular school attendance from Kindergarten on is essential to successful learning:

- **Every day counts.** Missing school even 10% of the time has a significant impact on reading and math achievement as children progress through school.
- **Students with good attendance performed better in math and reading.** Children who had good attendance in Kindergarten through Grade 2 were more than twice as likely to score proficient on state math tests by the time they reached Grade 8 as their peers who missed more school. In reading, there were similar results.
- **Good attendance starts early.** Research has shown that the attendance habits established Kindergarten through Grade 2 have lasting effects on students throughout their education: children with high attendance in the early grades continue to have good attendance; and students with low attendance in the early grades are more likely to have low attendance—and lower academic performance—throughout their elementary and middle school years.

As your child's most influential teacher, I am asking for your support in helping your child get to school on time every day this year. Your child needs to be in school and engaged in learning to reach his or her full potential. Yet, we realize that every family faces challenges— illness, transportation, child care, or scheduling demands. **Please let me or your child's teacher know if your family needs help dealing with these challenges to your child's good school attendance. My contact information is below.** We will do our best to help your family ensure that your child's school attendance stays on track.

More information on what families and schools can do together to support good student attendance can be found at: <http://www.attendanceworks.org/about/what-can-i-do/parents/>. Thank you for all you do to support your child's school success and well-being, as well as our school.

Mrs. Fischer, Elementary Principal

# Food Service News

## FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS

Your children may qualify for free milk, free meals, or reduced price meals. To apply, complete a Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application. Use one application for all students in your household. Be sure to fill out all required information and return the application to Joe Dostal, Food Service Director, 5459 Elementary Avenue, Suite 1, Pittsville, WI 54466. If you have not received an application in the mail, please contact the District Office at 715-884-6694. The free or reduced lunch program not only benefits families but it also helps your school. Please apply for free or reduced lunch at Pittsville Schools. Your application is completely confidential.

## LOW LUNCH BALANCES

Accounts below \$25.00 will be notified weekly through the Pittsville School District's SchoolMessenger alert system. The notice explains that your family food service funds are running low and money should be added as soon as possible.

If a family account gets below zero, a notice will be sent out stating if the amount due is not paid in three working days, your children will no longer be able to participate in the breakfast and/or lunch program. If no money is received, a note will go home explaining the account is closed and Pittsville Schools will no longer be providing breakfast, lunch, or milk. It is then the parent's responsibility to provide their child with a lunch from home. Once money is added, your children may again participate in the school's food service programs.

Here are a few tips to insure your family food service account is up-to-date and in good standing.

- Check with your answering machines and email to see if your family received an alert message concerning a low lunch balance.
- If you received a notice, please send payment as soon as possible.
- When sending in a payment, please include your family name and amount sent.

### 2014-2015 MEAL PRICES

4K- Grade 3 Lunch	\$2.20
Grade 4-8 Lunch	\$2.65
Grade 9-12 Lunch	\$3.15
Adult Lunch	\$3.75
Reduced Lunch	\$ .40
Milk	\$ .30
4K-Grade 12 Breakfast	\$1.00
Adult Breakfast	\$2.00

View your family account online through Skyward Family Access at [www.pittsville.k12.wi.us](http://www.pittsville.k12.wi.us). If you have any questions, please contact Joe Dostal at 715-884-2517.

*Breakfast & Lunch menus are available on the district webpage at [www.pittsville.k12.wi.us](http://www.pittsville.k12.wi.us)*

## ONLINE PAYMENTS

Parents can make online payments from home or work by using their VISA or MasterCard credit or debit card. Payments are made through the student's Skyward Family Access account. To make online payments:

- Visit our district website [www.pittsville.k12.wi.us](http://www.pittsville.k12.wi.us)
- Click on **For Students/Parents** tab
- Click on **Family and Student Access**
- Log in to **Skyward Family Access** (you will need your Login and Password)
- Use your **MasterCard** or **VISA** (Debit or Credit Card)

Payments made will immediately be posted to the student's food service account. Parents will be charged \$2.50 for the convenience of making an online payment.

## “DOUBLE UP!!”

Last year, we start the new “Double Up” promotion at the high school. This year we will be extending this opportunity to Grades 6-8 at the elementary school. For a \$2.00 charge to your family's food service account, your 6-8 grader will be able to purchase a second entrée, just the entrée, or go through the salad bar to complement a lunch from home. Students that qualify for free meals may also participate in the “Double Up” promotion as long as there is money in their family account. To monitor your student's purchases, view your family account online through Skyward Family Access at [www.pittsville.k12.wi.us](http://www.pittsville.k12.wi.us). If you have any questions, please contact Joe Dostal at 715-884-2517 or [dostajos@pittsville.k12.wi.us](mailto:dostajos@pittsville.k12.wi.us).



## Greetings from the Athletic Department at Pittsville Schools!

The fall season has come and gone, and the winter athletic season is getting ready to start. I would like to congratulate the fall athletes and coaches on their seasons and accomplishments. As I write this article, the Volleyball and Football seasons are completed and Cross Country teams are preparing to run at Sectionals. Although Volleyball and Football didn't make long runs in the playoffs, the seasons were still a success. Both squads sponsored 3 high schools teams as well as junior high teams and Cross Country had a high school and junior high team this year.



Student athletes were also involved with our Pom Pon and Football Cheerleading programs this fall. Altogether, around 150 athletes participated for the Panthers this fall. Together with their coaches, these student athletes invested a lot of time and energy into practices, events and performances. Throughout the season, they experienced the highs of winning along with the lows of losing, which are both important life lessons. It is my hope that through it all, they have developed a strong work ethic and lasting friendships.

With the winter sports season starting for the junior high and high school athletes in November, (JH boys basketball is already underway, HS Girls' Basketball starts Nov. 10 and Wrestling and HS Boys Basketball start Nov. 17) I want to remind parents of athletes that were not out for a fall sport that your child will not be able to practice or participate until all of the athletic paperwork is completed and on file with the school. If you have questions about what is needed, please call the high school office at 715-884-6412. I also want to remind parents about a topic I talked about at our annual athletic meeting in August, and that is the role of the parent in sports. I talked a lot about the NFHS class called Positive Sport Parenting and about the ultimate goal of interscholastic athletics. It is so important that parents not put pressure on their kids about athletics. Try to give your child some control over their athletic decisions and encourage them to be the best teammate they can be. Most importantly, support your child's coach and work with them to develop your son/daughter into the best young adult possible. A fellow coach passed on the following quote to me:

***"Your child's success or lack of success in sports does not indicate what kind of parent you are. But, having an athlete that is coachable, respectful, a great teammate, mentally tough, resilient and tries their best IS a direct reflection of your parenting."***

I'm looking forward to a great winter athletic season and hope to see you in the bleachers supporting our Pittsville Panthers!

GO PANTHERS!

Todd Sanken

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**SPORTS SCHEDULES**  
Please check [www.pittsville.k12.wi.us](http://www.pittsville.k12.wi.us) and click on Athletics for the most current information.

## FAMILY ACCESS

Please remember to access the District website, go to Family Access, and log-in to update your student information. Please make sure your guardian and emergency contact information is accurate, as well as your phone number, home address, and email address. This information could be critical if we need to reach you regarding your child in an emergency, and it also enhances communication between families and the district. Accessing your account will also allow you to check food service balances, see your child's schedule, and view a wealth of other information. Thanks!

## Skylert / SchoolMessenger Notification System

SchoolMessenger allows the district to quickly send mass notifications to employees, parents, and students. It can provide you with information through telephone or cell phone, e-mail, and/or text message. We will be using the system to let families know about emergency situations, weather related delays, cancellations, attendance, lunch balances, changes to athletic and other events, and general information about upcoming events.

Skylert works through Skyward's Family Access to provide you with the means to manage your contact sources and choose how you will be contacted for a variety of purposes. To check and update your Skylert contact information, go to our district home page at [www.pittsville.k12.wi.us](http://www.pittsville.k12.wi.us). Hover your mouse over 'Skyward' on the left side bar, click on the 'Family & Student Access' link from the pop-up menu, and login to your Family Access account. Click on the **Skylert** option listed on the left hand side. Click **Edit** to make changes to the information or to change your preference of notification delivery. You can add and remove checkmarks as you wish for the various types of contact calls, emails, or SMS text messages. Even though you may have checked phone numbers to receive SMS text messages, you must also 'opt in' to receive the services for each number.

If you do not know your Family Access login information or if you need more assistance with this issue, please contact your child's school: High School - 715-884-6412; Elementary School - 715-884-2517.

## PTO Corner....

*PTO has been very busy this fall and we truly appreciate all the parent volunteers who make these events happen. Little Caesars orders are due as the article is being written and the awards assembly will be held Tuesday, November 25 at 9:30 am. The book fair just completed and we sold over \$4000. Did you know that we earn half of our sales back in Scholastic Dollars? We were able to purchase \$1000 of books for the library(see photo), build classroom libraries and purchase some books to be raffled back into students hands. The BOGO book fair will be held this spring. A huge thank you goes out to parents for food donations for the Parent Teacher Conference meal. Don't forget to check out the teacher wish list in the front lobby.*



*Our competition for Labels for Education, Milk Caps, Box Tops for Education and Coke points will be held December 1-5. This will be the last time we can turn in milk caps as the program ends December 31, 2014. Don't forget to like Pittsville Elementary PTO on Facebook. We sincerely appreciate your continued support!*



# Through the Decades at PHS: Fall Edition

From the pages of Ho-Ang-Ho. Contributors: Ariana Grubofski, Mr. Downs and Mr. Piotrowski for The History Club

**1964-65.** Football and Homecoming are always looked forward to in the Fall at PHS. But until 1965, Pittsville High School did not have a football team or a Homecoming event. That year marked the inaugural season for the Football Panthers who struggled initially in learning a new game but showed steady improvement as the season progressed. That first team was coached by Mr. Ray Elwood and their games were played on the current baseball diamond in Riverside Park. The team was led by team captains Russell Copeland, Dennis Behselich, Vic Stewart and MVP Eric Gronski. Other seniors leading the way included -Terry O'Keefe, John Laughlin, Glenn Franson, Tom Chasteen, Howard Nelson, Ronnie Miller, Duane Frost, Terry Smith, Mike Jankowski, Cliff Eggett, Clyde Eggett, and Glen Peters. The boys were cheered on by a Varsity squad including Janice Horn, Diane Pelow, Marcia Conn, and Dianne Zellner. The first Homecoming court at PHS included King Eric Gronski and Queen Karen Kriplean, John Heeg and Jackie Horn, Tom Chasteen and Peggy Leigh, Mike Jankowski and Dianne Fox.

**1974-75.** Forty years ago in 1975 the Panther football team was led by Head Coach Mark Fuller. Senior leadership for the 6-3 Panthers was provided by Robert Bowden, Paul Keller, Timothy Kitzmann, Rick Prior, Clifford Jakusz, Louis Janzen, Steve Hutchinson, and Roger Tritz. Earning Honorable Mention for All-Conference were seniors Gary Olds and Randy Jensen. Earning All-Conference nods were Steve Chasteen and Mike Slovensky on defense, and John Schwanebeck on offense. The Senior Football Cheerleaders for that year were Roma Gronski, Peggy Quinlan and Cynthia Trachte. The Senior Pep Squad was comprised of Roma Gronski, Candace (Candy) Hahn, Donna Macha, Kathryn (Kathy) Ortner, Anna Piotrowski, Peggy Quinlan, Sue Reshel, Cindy Trachte, and Dorene Vanderwalker. The 1974 Homecoming Court had Donna Macha escorted by Timothy Kitzmann, Peggy Quinlan escorted by Steve Chasteen, Anna Piotrowski escorted by Randy Jensen, and the 1974 Homecoming Queen Kathy Ortner escorted by 1974 Homecoming King John Schwanebeck. The 1974 Senior Panther volleyball players were Connie Niemeyer, Peggy Quinlan, Susan Plucinski, Diane Karloske, Donna Macha, Diane Trachte, Donneta Hutchinson, Becky Coon, Roma Gronski, and Denice Solatycki.

**1984-85.** The 1984 Pittsville Panther football team compiled a 4-4 record in the Marawood Conference. Seniors on the 1984 squad were Don Neve, Gerald Palmer, Jodi Wilke, Mark Slovensky, Paul Sebold, Ken Rasmussen, Eric Heggelund, Bob Van Dyke, Jason Kohlbeck, Shawn Patrick, Larry Crombez, and David Horn. They were led by Head Coach Mark Gronski, and assisted by Don Neve and Mike Bonacci. The 1984 Homecoming Court saw Dave Horn escorting Tammy Schwanebeck, Mark Slovensky escorting Teresa Skon, Eric Heggelund escorting Trudi Robus, Paul Sebold escorting Denise Palmer, Don Neve escorting Chris Skebba, Ken Rasmussen escorting Becky Freedlund. 1983 Homecoming King Howard Piotrowski crowned Jodi Wilke 1984 Homecoming King, and 1983 Homecoming Queen Dana Scott crowned Angie Dickson 1984 Homecoming Queen. Seniors on the 1984 volleyball team were Cindy Lippert, Jodi Meyers, Cindy Schooley, Theresa Sojka, Angie Dickson, Tammy Schwanebeck, Denise Palmer, and Teresa Skon. Teresa Skon was First Team All-Conference selection and Kelly Orgel was Honorable Mention. The Head Coach of the Panthers was Karen Iwanski and assisted by Joanne Klinker.

**1994-95.** Seniors on the '94 football squad included Cory Leigh, Jay Kummer, Carlos Ferdandez, John Weinfurter, Jamie Stascak, Jason Scheunemann, Matt Grutzik, and Ben Giles. Seniors Jesse Phillips, Eric Marten, Jeremiah Harder, and Kevin Moore served as team captains under the guidance of first year head coach Rick Marten. Cross Country fielded its first full boys team and Jennifer Mundt) comprised of underclassmen under Coach Stephanie Hoge. The '94 Volleyball team had another terrific year under Marawood Conference Coach of the Year Karen Brownell. The girls won the Marawood Conference Championship and Tournament and also won their Regional Championship! Seniors Julie Itzen, Luanne Sojka, Erin Fischer, and Jennifer Rademan provided great leadership for the team. LuAnne Sojka, Kim Wolff and Jackie Masephol were named co-MVP's. Luanne was also a unanimous 1st Team All-Conference selection. The '94 Homecoming Court was comprised of King Kevin Moore and Queen Julie Itzen, Jesse Phillips and Luanne Sojka, Eric Marten and Sarah O'Keefe, Jeremiah Harder and Jacinda Wood, Carlos Fernandez and Diana Klevene, Cory Leigh and Jaimee Kumm.

**2004-05.** Homecoming Court- King and Queen-Jake Halama and Whitney Petersen. Terry O'Keefe and Katie Phillips, Heather Nichols and Eric Voight, Aly John and Andy Yushta, Aaron Anderson and Ashley Baker, Chuck Nunes and Katrin Zimmermann. The Football squad posted a 7-4 record including two playoff games under head coach Dan Hahn. Senior captains Eric Voight, Andy Yushta, Terry O'Keefe, and Aaron Anderson, along with Nicholas Prust, and Jake Halama led the talented gridiron squad. Yushta and Ty Copeland garnered 1st Team All-Conference awards while Anderson and Voight were named to the second team. Coach Karen Brownell's Volleyball team posted yet another successful season going 8-3 during the regular season before winning another Regional Championship. Seniors Kelly Hahn, Sam Heuer, Jackie Kumm, Tabi Vogel, along with senior captains Katie Phillips, Ashley Baker, and Whitney Petersen anchored the talented squad. Ashley and Whitney were also team MVP's and Marawood Conference 1st Team Selections. The Cross Country teams had very good runs (pun intended) in the Fall of 2004. Senior captains Tanya Palmer, Aly John, and Andy Redmond, and seniors Heather Nichols, Melissa Franson, Jolene Steele, and Kyle Scheel led teams that saw the boys' place 7th at the Sectionals in Arcadia and the entire girls' team advanced to State! Sophomore Laura Palmer finished 3rd at State individually while the team finished 12th overall. Tanya Palmer and Laura Palmer made Marawood Conference 1st Team and Laura was named to the All-State 2nd Team. The 2004 Homecoming Court: King and Queen- Jake Halama and Whitney Petersen. Terry O'Keefe and Katie Phillips, Heather Nichols and Eric Voight, Aly John and Andy Yushta, Aaron Anderson and Ashley Baker, Chuck Nunes and Katrin Zimmermann.

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### The Memories Christmas Show Saturday, November 29

Pittsville School District Auditorium

Showtime: 7:00 pm

Tickets: Adult \$10, Senior \$8, Student \$5

Warren Petryk and Tim Stevens have been performing together since 1972. The Memories Christmas Show is a family event that includes a mix of traditional carols, sing-a-longs, comedy and special surprises. This is a wonderful concert to begin the Christmas holiday celebration.

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