# YORK SUBURBAN MAY 2011



In the Fitness Room at York Suburban High School, from left: Colin Knaub uses an older treadmill while Adam Vedder and Josh Miller-Sentz use the two new treadmills purchased through a Highmark Healthy High 5 School Challenge Grant.

### **Physical Fitness Grants**

Two Highmark Healthy High 5 School Challenge Grants have been awarded to the York Suburban School District for physical fitness equipment. The grants are: \$9,995 to purchase 10 spinning bicycles for the York Suburban Middle School; and \$9,970 for two new treadmills and an exercise bicycle for York Suburban High School.

Highmark Healthy High 5 is an initiative of the Highmark Foundation. Highmark is a health insurance company.

Dr. Patricia A. Maloney, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, explains the grants involve pre-grant and post-grant assessments of the students using the equipment to determine cardio-vascular endurance and body mass index (BMI) improvements.

The middle school equipment will be accessible to all students and all students will be involved in the pre and post assessment. The equipment will be accessible to all high school students. The 9th grade students will be assessed as part of the physical education component utilizing the fitness equipment. The Highmark Foundation had notified school districts of the fitness grants process. York Suburban responded through Dr. Maloney, who wrote the grant application with the assistance of the physical education staff, and the grant was approved by the foundation board.

# 2011-12 Busing and Walking Policies Set

Bus transportation and walking policies have been revised for the 2011-12 school year by the York Suburban School District Board of Directors.

In general, students enrolled in a secondary school located more than two miles from the student's place of residence will be bused to school. Elementary school students who live more than one and one-half miles from their school will be eligible for busing.

Exceptions may apply to areas that are deemed hazardous walking conditions.

Students will only embark and disembark from buses at approved school bus stops. Students should allow time to arrive at their bus stops five minutes before the scheduled pick-up time.

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# Science and Engineering Fair Winners Named

A York Suburban Middle School student was named the Junior Grand Champion and a York Suburban High School student won five awards at the York County Science and Engineering Fair.

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Shown with their York County Science and Engineering Fair trophies and ribbons are: (At left) Gabriel Tyson, who was Junior Grand Champion and Phong Vo, who won five awards at the fair.

#### Busing/Walk Policy, continued from front page

Transportation may be available to and from day care facilities within the York Suburban School District and located along established bus routes more than one and one-half miles out of the school walking zone.

Special requests for bus transportation must be made in writing to the Superintendent or designee.

#### **Maps for Walkers and Bus Riders**

A District Map Tool has been created with maps of the York Suburban School District and showing the schools and the walking and bus riding zones for each school in the district.

To access the Map Tool: Log onto www.yssd. org home page and then click on District Map in the lower, right corner of the home page.

Information is also available by contacting Jennifer Grove in the York Suburban Transportation Office at 885-1131.

#### Winners, continued from front page

Gabriel Tyson, a YSMS eighth grade student, was named Junior Grand Champion in the competition held at Penn State York. The son of Thomas and Lori Tyson, his project was entitled "How Different Color Lights Affect the Growth of Plants."

Gabriel said he came up with idea after talking with his grandfather, Donald Parr, who participated in the fair when he was in school.

Phong Vo, a junior at York Suburban High School, is the son of Long Phi Vo and Hanh Thi Vo.

His exhibit, entitled "Thermoelectric Production of Superoxide Radicals for Volatile Organic Compound Treatment," received the following awards:

Reserve Grand Championship award.

A First Place Ribbon.

The Troy E. Conner Excellence in Engineering

The Yale Science and Engineering Award.

The Penn State York Award (a three-credit course from Penn State York).

### York Suburban High School **Graduation Date Set**

York Suburban High School Commencement will be held on Thursday, June 9, at 7 p.m.

Weather permitting the ceremony will take place on Dick May Field, the athletic field.

### **Honor Societies Hold Inductions**

Several honor societies at York Suburban High School inducted new members in March.

The honor societies and new inductees are:

#### **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY** Seniors:

Maria Jacome Zion Um

Juniors: Noah Baker Lauren Bajorek Daphne Blakey Caleb Bohanan Candace Campbell Katelyn Duncan Sarah Estes Gretchen Foster Frederick Gard Lindsay George Alexis Ketterman Alexandra Lackey Benjamin Lam Rebecca Meyer Ahleah Miles Megan Millen Mary Pendergast Carl Perina Kyle Raudensky Zoe Rehnberg Justin Renjilian Rachel Upadhyay Phong Vo Leah Winand

#### **NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY**

Adithi Asuri Luci Billet Ashley Brehl Natalie Concino **Brittany Cozzens** Katelyn Duncan **Erin Gregory** Ted Hinnenkamp Hannah Jones Dylan Keller Allie Lackey **Taylor Landis Abbie Levans** Abby London Alex Paulos **Christine Sauer** Tyler Sharon **Robin Singleton** Cameron Sprenkle Kara Stambaugh Emma Stine Hannah Winand

#### **NATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY**

Daphne Blakey Allison Clark **Brittany Cozzens**  Danielle Dugan Katelyn Duncan Katharine Fetrow Frederick Gard Lindsay George Renee Graff Helen Gunn Madeline Gutekunst Sarah Gutekunst Jessica Hawk Maria Jacome Alexis Ketterman Mallory Kruper Jessica Markel Nicholas McElhinny Mary Pendergast Kyle Raudensky Zoe Rehnberg Justin Reniilian Breanna Shorten **Robin Singleton** Margaret Sullivan Alexandra Thibodeau Jonathan Vu Hannah Winand

#### **FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY**

Joseph Dellinger Frederick Gard Gage Markey Natalie Marshall Nicolas McElhinny Abigail Weber

#### **GERMAN HONOR SOCIETY**

Noah Baker Gretchen Foster Rachel Frey Ted Hinnenkamp Kyle Raudensky Zoe Rehnberg Stephanie Seabra Rachel Upadhyay Emma Vedder

#### **SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY**

**Edward Allison** Daphne Blakey Candace Campbell Katelyn Duncan Morgan Fortier Natalie Gellman Lindsay George Alexis Ketterman Alyssa Kleynen Alexandra Lackey Benjamin Lam **Brandon Leshchinskiy** Rebecca Meyer Ahleah Miles Megan Millen Mary Pendergast Carl Perina Cameron Sprenkle Sada Stewart Alexandra Thibodeau

### **New Summer** Hours Posted

A number of new summer hours for the York Suburban School District will be in effect this year from Monday, June 13, through Friday, August 12. All buildings will be closed on Fridays during the summer.

York Suburban High School, York Suburban Middle School, **Education Center:** Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Maintenance and custodial: Monday through Thursday, 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Technology department: Monday through Thursday, 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All elementary buildings: Closed, except by appointment only.

All buildings will be closed on Monday, July 4.

Regular hours will resume on Monday, August 15.

Elementary: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Secondary: Monday through Friday, 7:15 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Education Center:** Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### **YSEF News**

The York Suburban **Education Foundation** (YSEF) second annual fundraiser will be held on Friday, June 3, at the Country Club of York. Dress is business casual. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and tickets are \$50 per person. Contact Kristin Marquis at 845-8346 or kristinmarquis@verizon. net for tickets.

The following contributions have been made to YSEF:

#### **2011 EITC Donors**

**PeoplesBank** York Water Company

#### **Recent Donors**

Atkinson, Wade and Kristy Glatfelter Insurance Group Kerr, Brad and Katy Paskey, Ed and April Royer, Pam and Jeff Vinarski, Peggy Wand, Steve and Laura Winters, Robert and Julia Woods, Bob and Judy

2010 United Way Donors Benjamin, Charlene California, Shannon Clancy, Keith and Jennifer Frey, Julia Greenholt, Russell Hasenfuss, Louise Hershner, Ron and Judy Hovis, Steve and Carol Jensenius, Billie Jean Johnson, Cheryl Ketterman, Kent Kluttz, Lona Krauser, Scott Leece, Joseph P Matthews, Kay McIntosh, Pamela McMillion, Claire Molin, Cathy Moyer, Karen Orban, Kate Page, Karen Petersen, Richard Petersen, Stephanie Regan, Jonnie Shaffer, Keith and Cathy Shorb, John and Katherine Shorb, Tom and Cathi Slenker, Neil and Linda Valero, Georgia Young, James

Young, Jane

Zeiders, Samantha



### **Robotics Team Competes**

The York Suburban High School team competed in the first tech challenge of the Pennsylvania State Robotics Championships. The YSHS group was among the 200 students in 18 teams to take part in the competition at Penn State York.

Shown above with the robot they created are: (Front row, from left) Chayse Hoffnagle, Colby Prough, Mack Kerchner, and Phong Vo. (Back row, from left) Robert Lackey, Sam Atkinson, teacher Tac Thomas, Hunter Ralls, and Ryan Bega. Not available for the photo was team member Frank Miller.

### Merit **Finalist**

Robin G. Singleton, who had previously been announced as a National Merit Semi-Finalist, has been named a Finalist.

She is the daughter of Joan Carpenter and David Singleton.

### **Dollars** for **Scholars**

York Suburban **Dollars for Scholars has** received a contribution from: Jeffrey Pflaum

### 'After Midnight' Theme For Post Prom Party

This year's Post Prom "party with a purpose" will have a theme of "After Midnight."

The alcohol-free and substancefree, chaperoned event will be held on Saturday, May 14, beginning after the prom and concludes Sunday morning at York Suburban High School. The all-night program will feature food, entertainment, games, and prizes.

Contributions to offset the cost of the evening are being accepted at: YS Post Prom Committee, 1800 Hollywood Drive, York, PA 17403. Names of donors will appear in a future issue of YS Pride.

A preview of the venue will be held for parents, friends, and donors on Saturday, May 14, from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.



Looking forward to a year overseas are: (From left) Kenice Miller, Tom Englerth, and Allison Clark.

### 3 Named Exchange Students

Three York Suburban High School students have been selected to spend the next year as Rotary Club of York Exchange Students. The three students are: Allison Clark, 17, a senior at YSHS. She will spend next year in Slovakia. She is the daughter of Chris Clark and Emily Clark.

Tom Englerth, 16, a sophomore. He will spend the next school year in Finland. Tom is the son of Tom Englerth and Jenny Englerth.

Kenice Milller, 15, a sophomore. She will spend her school year in Croatia. She is the daughter of Carol Hartman and Frank Miller.

### New Telephone Listings

With the installation of a new telephone system in the York Suburban School District there are now direct phone numbers to schools and offices. The numbers include:

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York Suburban School District885-1200	
Education Center,	
1800 Hollywood Drive885-1210	
Superintendent of Schools885-1122	
Assistant Superintendents885-1210	
Business Office885-1128	
Community Education885-1150	
Director of Facilities885-1150	
Transportation885-1131	
East York Elementary,	
701 Erlen Drive 885-1240	
Indian Rock Elementary,	
1500 Indian Rock Dam Rd 885-1250	
Valley View Elementary,	
850 Southern Road 885-1220	
Yorkshire Elementary,	
295 Mills Street	
YS Middle School, 455 Sundale Drive885-1260	
Middle School Guidance885-1262	
YS High School885-1270	

High School Guidance.....885-1272



# Poetry Out Loud

Natalie Marshall competed in a four-county Regional Poetry Out Loud competition in Gettysburg.

Natalie recited three poems. In the photo at left, Natalie is shown with York County resident Robert Pullo, who was one of the judges for the competition.

### Keystone Press Award

York Suburban High School student Daphne Blakey won a first place award in the state-wide Student Keystone Press Award competition for a page one photograph that appeared in the school year's first issue of the high school newspaper, "The Tribune." The photograph was entitled, "Mighty Morphers."

# York Academy Charter School Applications

The York Academy Regional Charter School, a three-district regional charter school which will offer an International Baccalaureate curriculum, is a new school venture unique to Pennsylvania. Opening in August, 2011, the school will focus on teaching and preparing students to become inquirers, critical thinkers, communicators, and risk-takers. The York Suburban School District is one of the founding districts.

There are fewer than 15 Kindergarten through 12 International Baccalaureate schools in the United States, and based on student performance results from these schools, it was decided to establish a three-district, K-12 regional charter school featuring the International Baccalaureate curriculum. The school will be located at 32 W. North Street in York City.

The York Academy will open with students in kindergarten, first and second grade and will add one grade each year until it reaches full implementation as a K-12 school. There will be 225 available seats when the school opens in August of 2011. Student applications are now being accepted for students who will be in kindergarten, first and second grades during the 2011-2012 school year.

The York Academy Regional Charter School project grew out of York Counts, a community-wide initiative. After 2 ½ years of study involving 25 to 30 community volunteers, including educators from the City of York and the four first-ring suburbs, the organizing committee presented the charter application to three York County school districts on November 13, 2009: The School District of the City of York, York Suburban School District and Central York School District. By the end of February of 2010, each of these three districts had approved the charter application, two of them unanimously.

Parents interested in learning more about the York Academy Regional Charter School, should visit www.yorkarcs.org for application information.



### 3 Sing at Carnegie Hall

Three York Suburban High School students recently performed at Carnegie Hall in New York City as members of the Concorde Vocal Ensemble of the York County Senior Honors Choir.

The singers, in photo above, are: (From left) Ed Allison, bass; Christy Pavoncello, soprano; and Helen Gunn, soprano. They were among more than 40 singers from York County high schools to participate in a workshop and concert.



Wrapping gifts on behalf of United Cerebral Palsy are (from left): Saffron Brocious, Kirsten Nestlerode, Coach Leslee Yoder, Deborah Alcantara, Taylor Frederick, and Leah Dickey.

#### Cheerleaders Wrap Cheery Gifts

York Suburban cheerleaders provided a community service in December by volunteering to wrap gifts at the United Cerebral Palsy table in the Galleria Mall. All donations went to UCP.

Taking part in the gift wrapping were: Deborah Alcantara, Alex Anderson, Saffron Brocious, Taylor Coppage, Leah Dickey, Taylor Frederick, Kacey Hunt, Kirsten Nestlerode, Brooke Small, and Coach Leslee Yoder.

### 'Pirates' at East York Elementary

A crew of pirates from East York Elementary School performed "Pirates! The Musical" for a standing room-only audience at the York Suburban Middle School in March.

The singing pirates, cast, and chorus were under the direction of Sue Wolschleger and Pam Kohler. An East York musical – with sets and costumes -- is presented every two years.





Eliana Marino's dress design is modeled by Tami Kroh.

### Fashion Designer Blooms at YSMS

Eliana Marino tried her wings as a fledgling fashion designer and found the gown she designed as the star of a fashion show.

Eliana, 12, and a seventh grade student at York Suburban Middle School, took her sketch to the York Unit of the American Cancer Society, which holds a fashion show in coordination with its Daffodil Days fund raiser. Danielle Lavetan of the ACS was so impressed by Eleana's design that she had it created in fabric for the fashion show. She is the daughter of Melissa and Joe Marino.



### YSMS Benefit Basketball Game

The York Suburban Middle School staff faced an eighth grade team in a basketball game to raise funds for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of York County.

The basketball game (shown above) and cookie bake-off contest raised \$657.01 for the organization.

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A Letter from the Superintendent

### **YS Pride & Calendar Going Electronic**



Dr. Kate Orban

Greetings:

Thank you for the many responses regarding your thoughts about the YS Pride newsletter and the school calendar being posted on-line.

You may recall I wrote that the savings to the district could be significant by eliminating or reducing printing and mailing costs. A majority of respondents agreed and praised the district for taking this approach.

Beginning with the next school year, YS Pride and the calendar will be available on the website. Information will be timelier and updates can occur whenever needed.

For those residents who want to have the information provided by YS Pride and the calendar, but

do not have access to a computer, you will find next to this column a form which may be completed and returned to the district so that you may receive a paper copy of YS Pride and/or the calendar.

Very limited print copies will be available in each school building. In addition, so that you may be aware when YS Pride and the calendar are uploaded onto the website, you may respond to werwine@yssd.org with your preferred e-mail address so that you can be notified of that via e-mail.

In addition to these changes, parents and students will have more information provided via e-mail or on the website. The move to this format has already begun with many forms, newsletters and other information available on the website or sent out in e-mail blasts. I am excited about the changes and know it will not only provide more timely information, but also reduce costs.

As we move to the final few months of the 2010-11 school year, I thank the community for your support of the York Suburban School District throughout the entire budget process. Whether in large meetings, phone calls, e-mails, or one-to-one discussions, the involvement of the community is evident and appreciated.

Dr. Kate Orban

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## Newsletter and Calendar Delivery Request Form

Beginning with the 2011-12 school year, the
York Suburban School District Calendar and YS
Pride newsletter will be available electronically.

☐ I/we wish to receive the York Suburban Calendar and YS Pride newsletter electronically.

e-mail address:
$\square$ I/we wish to be notified when print copies of
the York Suburban School District Calendar and YS
Pride are available at the school buildings.
Name:

Telephone Number: \_

Name: \_

Address:

PLEASE E-MAIL OR SEND this form to: Wendy Erwine, werwine@yssd.org, Ronald Provard Education Center, 1800 Hollywood Drive, York, PA 17403.

Or CALL Wendy Erwine at: 848-2814, Ext. 1122

### Final Budget Action Scheduled for May 16

After months of discussions and cost-reduction measures, action on the 2011-12 York Suburban School District budget is scheduled to be approved on Monday, May 16.

The final approval of the budget will take place at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors at 7:30 p.m. in the Ronald Provard Education Center.