



# District, agriculture program honored for Sugar Shack

The New York State School Boards Association honored the Sherburne-Earlville Central School District with a Champions of Change for Kids banner Tuesday, February 25, for the completion of its Maple Sugar Shack Agricultural Project.

The afternoon ceremony drew several students, staff and special guests to the Middle School/High School Auditorium, including close to 30 members of an FFA program that recently turned a storage shed into a production facility for maple byproducts. FFA members helped to refurbish the onestory wooden building, which operates right across from the Chobani Greenhouse for Sherburne-Earlville.

SECSD Superintendent Eric Schnabl welcomed representatives from the NYSSBA and Chobani, which also received recognition for assisting local school districts such as S-E, Norwich, Edmeston, Unadilla Valley and several others every day. Specifically at SECSD, locally owned and operated Chobani has donated time, money and its Greek-yogurt products to help eliminate student-lunch debt, support the annual Farmers Appreciation Breakfast, and build a greenhouse.

NYSSBA Executive Director Robert Schneider presented a Champions of Change for Kids banner to Chobani's Senior

#### Superintendent's Message

# Big things are happening at S-E



It's hard to believe that the school year is already more than half over. The winter sports season is coming to a close and spring sports events are just

around the corner. The FFA is ready to boil sap in their own sugar shack, too. We are all looking forward to some S-E

maple syrup! There is still some winter left, but warmer weather is in sight.

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apparent pride of S-E.

Plans for the next phase of a capital project are in the works. A referendum vote will be held in the near future to address security upgrades, health and safety improvements, and the maintenance of our buildings and grounds. Proposed items include the construction of a more secure Middle/ High School front entrance, removal of the old carpeting in Elementary School classrooms, replacement of non-functioning playground equipment, lighting and electrical upgrades, surface repairs (concrete, tile, building exteriors, etc.), and stadium field/track upgrades.

The big question is, what do we do with the deteriorated stadium track and field? I want to thank everyone who provided feedback and input on the topic of replacing the stadium field with new natural turf or artificial turf. The January 29 forum in the Auditorium was well attended and very informative. The decision to go with natural or artificial turf will be up to voters at a future referendum vote.

As many of you know, I have announced my retirement from Sherburne-Earlville, effective June 30, 2020. When I came to S-E from the Albany area in 1998, the school welcomed me with open arms and it was clear that I had found a family of professionals who truly love children and care deeply for each other. This is a community that is clearly invested in our most

important resource . . . our children.

Regardless of the public's decision, it

is the goal of the district to maintain the

investment in the future of our beauti-

ful facilities and, more importantly, our

students and the future generations

of students to come. The Sherburne-

Earlville community has always shown

phenomenal support of our students,

staff and schools. I sincerely thank you

for your continuous support and clearly

It has been an honor and privilege to have served S-E as a teacher, principal and superintendent. I thank the school community for the opportunity to be part of the Sherburne-Earlville family, who have helped me to grow professionally and personally, and I will always cherish the memories and relationships that have been forged during my tenure. S-E has and always will be a big part of who I am. I will forever be proud of my maroon and white.

#### **GO MARAUDERS!**

-Eric Schnabl, School Superintendent schnable@seonline.org Twitter: @EricSchnabl



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## **Superintendent Search: Listening session set**

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School Board of Education has enlisted the help of DCMO BOCES District Superintendent Perry Dewey to assist in the search for the next school Superintendent.

Part of the search process includes a listening session workshop that is open to the public. During the listening session, Mr. Dewey will explain the search process and lead participants in an interactive goalplanning exercise.

The listening session will take place on March 11, 2020, from 3:30-5 p.m. and again from 5:30-7 p.m., in the S-E Middle/High School Cafeteria. The Board of Education values the participation and opinions of the community and hope that you are able to attend the listening session.

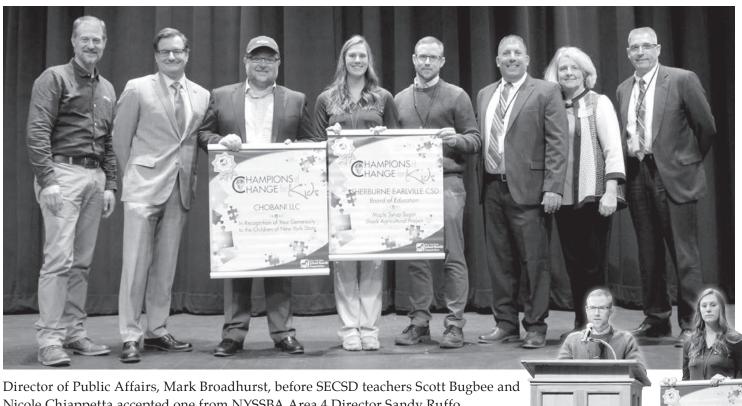
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DCMO BOCES **District Superintendent Perry Dewey** 



#### District, agriculture program honored for Sugar Shack (continued from front page)



Nicole Chiappetta accepted one from NYSSBA Area 4 Director Sandy Ruffo.

Technology teacher Bugbee worked closely with Chobani two years ago to bring a greenhouse to S-E, which ultimately led to the revival of the agriculture and FFA programs and the need for Chiappetta to oversee both.

Visit the NYSSBA online at www.nyssba.org and Chobani at www.chobani.com for more information. 🕸

# Happy trails to you!



Sherburne-Earlville's District Office wishes Robin VanWagner nothing but the best as our longtime Special Services Secretary celebrated her retirement December 13!

Superintendent Eric Schnabl, seated to the left of her stylish boots, thanked Robin for her years of hard work and dedication to the District.

We hope you enjoy retirement to the fullest, but feel free to pop in and say 'hi' from time to time.

S-E also said good-bye to School-Based Health Center Nurse Practitioner Cady Burcham, who headed back home to Memphis, Tennessee, to continue her career in pediatric gastroenterology at Le Bonheur Children's Hospital. Her final day at S-E's SBHC was December 20.

# Important health notice!

The Sherburne-Earlville health offices remind parents that New York State Public Health Law effective September 1, 2007, requires that all students born on or after January 1, 1994 and enrolling in grade 6 for the 2020-2021 school year are required to have a booster vaccination for diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and an acellular Pertussis (Tdap).



# Still kicking!

Thanks to everyone who came back for Sherburne-Earlville's Alumni Soccer Game, which took place in October at Marauder Stadium. Our rosters featured this fine group of former SECSD athletes.

Front row (left to right): Alan Ingerto (Class of 2000), Shanae Wright (2016), Emma Karaman (2013), Kylie (Brown) Davis (2001), Kevin Vibbard (2014), Jarodd Goedel (1996), Kyle Pierce (2011), and Ed Geier (2019).



Back row (left to right): Dave Parsons (1996), Antonino Magro (2013), Brian Meade (2014), Jessica (Russell) Stumpf (2001), Michael Behret (1996), Corey Endress (2002), Josh Parsons (2003), Thad Karaman (2018), Jacob Parsons (2008), James Moren (2016), and Jesse Palmiter (2003).

Hope to see you all and lots of others next year, too! ❖

## Related Services help students learn!

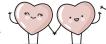
The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District is fortunate to employ several highly-skilled people who support student learning as Related Service Providers. Some members of the S-E Related Services Team gathered for a group photo earlier this year. From left to right, Alexis Haluska, Brenda Kochanowski, Laura Lee, Ann Salamon, Erin Law, Christine Palmer, Rebecca Hagmann, Rachel Farrow-Beers and Erin Young.

SECSD offers developmental, corrective and supportive services to assist students with learning concerns in a school setting. Related Services include speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, audiology, psychological,



counseling, and school social work, as well as medical services through our school nurse. Related Services also help students achieve various academic goals. If you believe your child may benefit from a school-based related service, call SECSD Director of Special Services Ginger Rinaldo at 607-674-7347 or email her at rinaldog@seonline.org.

























#### Claudia's Closet Fund

On March 30, 2003 school nurse Claudia Bigelow was killed in a tragic automobile accident. In her memory a fund called "Claudia's Closet Fund" was established. The purpose of this fund is to accept Charitable donations to provide the children in the Sherburne-Earlville District with items of clothing in an emergency or need situation.

- This year's prize will be one winner takes all!
- \$ 10 Per Ticket.
- · Drawing to be held St. Patrick's Day! Location TBA
- Yeti Tundra 45 cooler and two \$100 gift certificates, Sherburne BigM and Stella's Deli.
- Just in time to make your St Patrick's Day!!!
- Tickets available at Empire Wireless LLC, Sherburne News, Teri Curry & Amanda Collins At SE Elementary and Thom Bigelow.

Donations can be mailed to: Arlene Wade C/O Sherburne-Earlville CS District 15 School SA, NY 13460

Make check to payable to: Sherburne-Earlville Central School with Claudia's Closet in the memo



# Holiday Celel





#### The best deal in town!



The price was right for Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School students during our annual Holiday Bazaar in December!

Classes visited the makeshift gift shop in the west end of SEES during designated periods, giving kids a chance to purchase holiday presents for 50-cents apiece. All of the new or gently-used items on sale at the Holiday Bazaar were donated by community members or purchased from an account that feeds the proceeds back into the program.

Former SEES secretary Maggie Fitzpatrick and former SECSD Superintendent Gayle Hellert spearheaded a crew of volunteers who made the Holiday Bazaar possible.

SEES accepts Holiday Bazaar items and monetary donations any time throughout the year. For more information on how you can help, call the main office at **607-674-7336**.





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# Little ornaments for the holidays!



In December, kindergarten and first-grade students were invited to a holiday ornament decorating event in the Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School art rooms. Our kids added their personal touches to clay ornaments, including shimmering paints and colorful glitter.

Elementary art teachers Mrs. Addison and Mrs. Greer were excited to offer this event for the second year in a row and hope to continue the tradition for years to come.

Pictured are kindergartners Karlee Smith and Hailey Slater with their ornaments.

Gingerbread Day Excitement!

Sherburne-Earlville kindergarten students had a wild adventure before the holiday break as they searched the elementary school for missing Gingerbread cookies.

Our kids made cookies to celebrate Gingerbread Day, but they jumped out of the oven and went into hiding. Fortunately, we found every last one of them,

then enjoyed delicious treats!

Great job, kids! 🕸





# Let's hear it for Colgate!

Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School students in grades 3-5 were loud and proud January 15, cheering on the Colgate Raider Nation women's basketball team before, during and after its 72-53 win over Lafayette.

Our S-E kids sang the national anthem during Colgate's Kids Day pre-game festivities, which included a brief ceremony honoring senior guard Rachel Thompson for scoring 1,000 points at the college level.

We also enjoyed pizza for lunch, gave some love to Colgate's mascot, Raider, and stole the show at halftime with a mass jump-roping exhibition.

Our second-graders got a chance to cheer at Colgate on January 17, as they watched the women's ice hockey team defeat Harvard in the Class of 1965 Arena. Our Whelpies attended as special guests, singing the National Anthem before the puck drop.

Students enjoyed pizza for lunch, along with some ice cream from Gilligan's.

Sherburne-Earlville thanks Colgate University for giving back to local school districts!













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Fighting fire with firefighters!

Sherburne-Earlville Elementary students received hands-on training from local firefighters October 10 as part of National Fire Prevention Week!

Representatives from the Sherburne, Earlville, Smyrna, Oxford and North Norwich fire departments led small-group discussions and interactive lessons regarding smoke detectors, 911 calls, fire extinguishers, safety procedures and more.

Our SEES kids had the opportunity to practice their "Stop, Drop and Roll" techniques, use a fire escape ladder to exit the Oxford FD's Safety House trailer, and aim an extinguisher at the base of a contained fire in the parking lot near our District Office.

## **Box Tops help!**

Please remember to participate in the Box Tops for Education program, which help Sherburne-Earlville elementary and middle schools raise money.

SEES is working to collect funds for a new playground. Along with grant money earned by a group of fifth-graders and their teachers last year, school funds and donations, we will also utilize money from our Box Tops program to increase the amount of equipment we can purchase for the new playground.

The Box Tops for Education program changed the way we can earn cash for our schools. Participating brands are changing their packaging from the traditional Box Tops to new Box Tops labels.

Going forward, instead of clipping from packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt with the new, user-friendly Box Tops mobile app. This free app allows you to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our schools' earnings online.

If you still have traditional Box Tops at home, make sure to send them to school. We will still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire. Better yet, you can "double dip" during packaging transition by clipping traditional Box Tops AND scanning your store receipt with participating products.



#### Our website has a new look!

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District upgraded its website in January to make it easier for you to find what you need!

We hope you enjoy the new look and easy-to-navigate pages, which include information and updates on our District, Board of Education, Schools, Athletics and more! Check out the calendar and district news feeds to stay up to date on everything S-E. There are even feeds to our social-media pages on Facebook and Twitter!

Our web address is still the same (www.secsd.org), so no need to update your bookmarks. Just click and enjoy!





# Internet Safety takes center stage

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District thanks Alexa Benincasa for discussing the importance of Internet Safety with our S-E Middle School students the morning of January 31.

Alexa is an Investigative Specialist for the New York State Division of Criminal Services. She delivered a powerful, engaging and informative presentation at the S-E Middle School/High School Auditorium, reminding our kids to think hard before sharing anything online.

The New York State Missing Persons Clearinghouse at DCJS offers free presentations designed to help children learn the fundamentals of online safety. The 40-minute presentations teach safe and responsible practices and encourage students to keep their parents and teachers informed about what they are doing online. This includes all forms of social media, such as Snapchat, Instagram, Twitter and Facebook.

For more information, email the NYS Missing Persons Clearinghouse at missingpersons@dcjs.ny.gov or call 1-800-346-3543 (Option 1).



#### Peter Pan, Jr. is a hit!

Sherburne-Earlville Middle School students performed Peter Pan, Jr. in January in the MS/HS Auditorium. Students and staff members from all buildings helped to direct and create the performance, which featured music by Morris Charlap and Jule Styne, as well as lyrics by Carolyn Leigh, Betty Comden and Adolph Green.

#### The cast list was as follows:

• Liza: Emma Chapman

• Michael: Claire Barth

• Nana: Emily Knapp

• John: Owen Brown

• Wendy: Ryker Fuller

• Mrs. Darling: Ella Price

• Mr. Darling: Adam Paliana

• Peter Pan: Amelia Casscles

• Tinker Bell: Katrina White

• Twin #1: Pasley French

• Twin #2: Michael Fetzko

• Slightly: Clarck Vischi

• Curley: Reagan Kruegar

• Tootles: Kandy Hicks

 Lost Boys: Evelyn Thomas, Maddie Jones, Brianna Allen, Alana Brady

 Pirates: Mackenzie Robbins, Nikita Domashenko, Sierra Miller, Maddie Collins, Carleen Mirabito, Haylie Holden

• Noodles: Savanna Hook

Captain Hook: Gaven May

• Smee: Cameron Carpenter

• Jukes: Aydin Gunther

• Starkey: Zack Carter

• Cecco: Dana Hutchings

• Tiger Lily: Haleigh Fisher

 Brave Girls: Bethany Garrison, Abby Boice, Emma Chapman, Phionna Osborne, Isabella Mirabito

• Brave Girl #1: Katelyn Walker

Brave Girl #2: Opal Amann-Burns

• Small Brave Girl: Mia Currie

• Crocodile: Maya Tarpinian



#### **Technical Direction & Support:**

• Director: Julie Burns

• Assistant Director/Choreographer: Tobie Hess

 Student Assistant Directors: Jessy Petersen, Stephanie Harter, Julia Romanowski

• Sound and Light Engineers: Matt Thompson, Chris Marquaad

 Scenery Painters/Stage Crew: Robert Schaefer, Raidyn Barnes, Kelsi Courtright, Wesley Fisher, Julia Romanowski, Anthony Casscles, Gavin Symonds, Cast

 Parent Volunteers: Katie Barth, Bernie Casscles, Terri Currie, Sarah Fisher, Desiree Fuller, Melanie Fuller, Scott Kruegar, Chris Marquaad, Lori Marquaad, Magdalena Tarpinian, Matt Thompson, Greg Thomas, Erin Thomas.

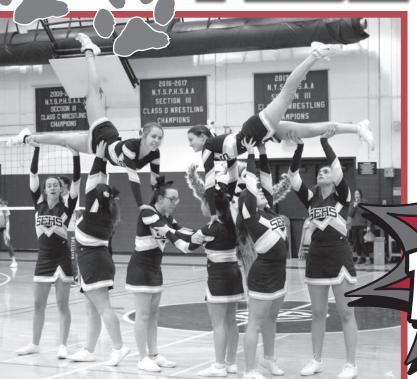




















S-E makes music at All-County Festival



Congratulations to all of Sherburne-Earlville's talented representatives at the Association of Chenango Area Music Teachers All-County Winter Music Festival, which took place January 25 at the Unadilla Valley Central School District.

The ACAMT Festival featured Chenango County's best in Combined Chorus, SSAA Chorus (two soprano, two alto sections), TTBB Chorus (two tenor, two baritone sections), Elementary Band and Jazz Ensemble.

The following S-E students performed:

Elementary Band: Kyler Buschor, Allessandra Ingerto, Owen Kellogg, Amanda Markiewicz, Samantha Markiewicz, Ava O'Dell, Edward Peschel, Marlie Thompson.

Elementary Band (Grade 6): Regan Krueger, Emma Schrader, Myah Tarpinian, Evelyn Thomas, Clark Vischi.

Chorus (High School): Maxwell Collins, Barbara Clarkson, Justine Strauss.

Chorus (Middle School): Brianna Allen, Claire Barth, Owen Brown, Haleigh Fisher, Ryker Fuller, Lydia Larchar, Katelyn Walker.



## **Top Talent!**

Congratulations to the top finishers in Sherburne-Earlville's annual Talent Show at the MS/HS Auditorium on February 8.

- High School: 1, Barbara Clarkson;
   2, Joe Bagnall and Cooper Mottl; 3,
   Sarah Acly.
- Middle School: 1, Michael Fetzko; 2, Brayden James; 3, Amelia Casscles.
   Thanks to everyone who participated!



# S-E welcomes top brass!

Sherburne-Earlville thanks Mike DiMeo for sharing his expertise with our brass and band students earlier this month. S-E music/band teacher Joe Roche shared these photos of our middle/high school kids interacting with Mike during his October 8 visit.

Mike is an adjunct lecturer of music at Utica College whose background includes conducting the Utica Symphony Orchestra, directing the New Hartford Citizens and Utica College bands, and multiple state titles as the leader of the New Hartford High School Marching Band.



### SEHS musical set for March 6-7



Sherburne-Earlville High School will present the musical Once Upon a Mattress at the MS/HS Auditorium on March 6 and 7. Tickets will be available at the door and cost \$7 for adults and \$5 for students/senior citizens. The cost for families of five or more is \$25.

Anne Caton, Colleen Law-Tefft and Rose Tenney will direct the musical. Our students have been working on comic skills, lines, and songs since December. In this photo, Madison Camenga, Lily French, Laura Tenney, Darbi Dean, Kaitlin Law, and Sarah Acly rehearse "The Swamps of Home."

Once Upon a Mattress, with music by Mary Rodgers and

lyrics by Marshall Barer, was first presented on Broadway in 1959 and starred Carol Burnett as Princess Winnifred. Based on the fairy tale The Princess and the Pea, it's a classic with a determined princess, a sad prince, a bossy queen, a king who cannot speak, a minstrel, and a jester – plus a cast of knights and ladies who cannot marry until the prince is wed first.

S-E senior Laura Tenney, who has been acting in musicals and drama-

club productions since her freshman year, will play Princess Winnifred. Performing in his first musical, junior Tom Baker will play Prince Dauntless.

The musical also features Barbara Clarkson (Queen Aggravain), Alex Wasiluk (King Sextimus the Silent), Kayleigh Currie (Minstrel/Narrator), and Rebecca Karaman (Jester) in key roles. Star-crossed lovers Lady Larken and Sir Harry will be played by Justine Strauss and Jonah Smith, respectively, and Max Collins is our trusted wizard.

Lily French, Darbi Dean, Kaitlin Law, Sarah Acly, Jessy Petersen, Raven Rivenburgh, Madison Camenga, Amelia Casscles, Mason LaCoe, Peter Peschel, Jeremy Strauss, Aydin Gunther and Michael Fetzko make up the ladies in waiting and knights of the realm. Courtney Geier serves as our dance captain/choreographer.

#### S-E shines at Odyssey of the Mind

Congratulations to our Odyssey of the Mind teams, which earned FIVE first-place finishes and one third during regional competition February 15 at the DCMO BOCES Harrold Campus!

Additionally, Heidi Johnson's team earned the Ranatra Fusca Creativity Award, which is presented to teams or individuals who exhibit exceptional creativity in some aspect of the problem solution, their behavior, or through an extraordinary idea beyond the problem solution.

Great job, kids! 🕸



#### **Guests of honor!**



Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville sophomore Rachael Hyder (left) and junior Allie Kellogg, who performed in the Susquehanna University Honors Band from February 21-23 in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania!

The two were specially selected for this event, joining other band standouts from New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Allie also played with the Susquehanna University Honors Band last year.



## SEHS students explore careers through shadowing

Sherburne-Earlville students in grades 9-12 are taking advantage of the high school career destinations program, which allows them to take part in shadowing experiences. This is a great opportunity for any student who wishes to explore a career a little further and help them decide what they want to do after graduation.

Employers in the community are more than happy to have students visit to gain first-hand knowledge of their workplaces and careers offered. This program is open to all SEHS students, who can see their counselor or Mrs. Winton to arrange a shadowing experience in a field of their choice.

Senior **Brian Kochman** is interested in the marketing field, so he visited Dan Bigger in sales and marketing at Chenango Valley Technologies.

Junior Morgan Boldt shadowed Brenda Kochanowski to learn about occupational therapy right here at Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School.

The Leatherstocking Veterinary

Group welcomed sophomore **Amelia Moyer**, who explored vet tech careers.

Junior **Dalaney Parker** spent an entire day experiencing first-hand a day in the life of a Chenango County Sheriff's Officer.

Senior **Daisy Fairbanks** received hands-on learning in welding from John Clifford, owner of Clifford Welding.

Sometimes it's difficult to get everyone on site in the medical field, so traveling nurse and S-E graduate Courtne Plesniarski came to us to share her knowledge and expertise in the nursing field. Students who attended Courtne's forum were Deidra Parry, Ashley Ryan, Stephanie Marango, Chloe Hansen, Makayla Race, Dalaney Parker, Zoe Kellogg, Jennifer Adsit, Maleah Britton, Cheyenne Cox, Megan Hailston, and Katie Keyes.

Thank you to all of the businesses and people who have taken time out of their busy days to work with our students in this capacity! \*

# S-E students get a taste of college life



Sherburne-Earlville students completed the first session of Colgate University's High School Seminars on October 10. The program introduces high school students to college-level topics during the academic year, with Colgate faculty and administrators teaching four three-class sessions. For more information, visit the Sherburne-Earlville High School main office.

#### Sherburne-Earlville students look ahead

Sherburne-Earlville students have been busy looking at some options for life after high school thanks to a series of field trips in October.

Chenango Valley Technologies, a custom-injection molding company, opened its doors October 4 for Manufacturing Day in Chenango County. Suzanne Winton, Candice Poyer, Scott Bugbee and Nicole Chiappetta accompanied their respective classes and other interested students on a tour of the manufacturing facility. They all had a chance to observe the plastic-injection molding process and gain insight into the opportunities available in this \$523 billion industry. CVT gave us free snacks, too, so double-bonus!

A group of S-E students also attended the 13th annual Syracuse Construction Career Day on October 10 at the NYS Fairgrounds, where they received free safety goggles, a hard hat and a free lunch. This event featured hands-on demonstrations, the operation of static equipment, and career/continuing education booths related to all of the construction trades (masonry, electrical, insulation, heating, plumbing, carpentry, welding, painting, finishing, etc.).

It's never too early to start thinking about post-graduation plans, either, as a small group of our eighth-graders took part in SUNY Oneonta's Career & College Destinations Discovery field trip October 15. Kids took a career-interest assessment, then explored two career-destinations sessions to learn more about their interests. The trip included a tour of the college's dining hall, dorm rooms and recreational facility, and ended with an ice-cream treat.❖







# S-E art students tour Mohawk Valley CC

Sherburne-Earlville teachers Kayleigh Olive and Kristian Newman took a group of art students to Mohawk Valley Community College for Art Day on Friday, December 6.

The group toured the college's art department and attended a presentation highlighting all of the different art programs offered at MVCC. Students also were treated to lunch and participated in several hands-on activities!



#### What's next?



A group of 2019 Sherburne-Earlville graduates returned to our high school December 20 to describe their first-semester college experiences to current juniors and seniors.

Pictured from left to right are Dalton Yerton, Conor Ryan, Owen Rodriguez, Curtis Howard, Andrew Schaefer, Amberlyn Robertson, Brooke Hailston, and Riley Webster.

Thanks to all of our 2019 SEHS graduates for sharing valuable information about what the future may hold for the Class of 2020! ❖

## The art of learning

The Sherburne-Earlville Art Department recently attended a professional development workshop featuring ceramic artist Vartan Poghosian at 4 Elements Studio in Utica.

Teachers (left to right) Kristian Newman, Andrea Greer, Jessica Czachowski, Nadine Addison and Kayleigh Olive practiced wheel-throwing methods and learned about glazing and firing techniques.

For more information about 4 Elements Studio and their programs, visit https://www.facebook.com/pg/4elementsstudioinc/about/ online.



#### Season of the witch!



Thanks to teaching assistant Jeanne Behret for sharing this neat picture of a group of Sherburne-Earlville High School kids who visited Salem, Massachusetts, on October 22.

Our students had a unique opportunity to explore the culture of Salem and take in the sights of this historyrich city, notorious for the Salem Witch Trials in the late 1600s.



Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville High School students Max Collins (left) and Gabe O'Dell, who became full-fledged Eagle Scouts in November!

Great job, gentlemen! 🕸

# Lockers are a holiday treat!

Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville senior Bailey Lagoe, who won the High School Varsity Club's locker-decoration contest before the holiday break!

More than 70 students participated in the contest, which transformed our high school hallways into a festive treat.

Junior Raven Rivenburgh's fireplace theme took second, followed by the lockers of sophomore Taylor Jennings, freshman Trinity Thornton and sophomore Abbigail Kochman. 🏖



### Top chefs do battle!



Strauss earned a narrow victory in the Grilled Cheese Challenge with "The Granny," which featured apple slices and a tangy dip.

Megan and Justine also teamed with Kristen Lowe for a share of the title in the Deviled Egg Duel. Their Bacon Deviled Eggs tied the Bleu Cheese & Olive entry created by Madison Camenga and Tristah Keator for top honors.

Special thanks to all of the guest judges who turned out to rate these tasty treats! 👺

# Two of our own qualify for Sub States!

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District welcomed local school districts February 11 for the New York FFA Association's District 4 Speaking Event. Two of our FFA members advanced to Sub States as Kayleigh Rood will compete in Junior Creed and Carter Eldred qualified in Junior Extemporaneous Speaking!

FFA members from nine districts gathered in the S-E Middle/High School cafeteria before visiting various classrooms to compete in this New York FFA District Leadership Career Development Event.

At stake were berths in Sub State Career Development events on March 14. Those who advance to Sub-State competition also earn the opportunity to qualify for the New York State FFA Convention in May. State winners move on to national competition later in the year.

FFA programs from Afton, Delaware Academy, Otselic Valley, Oxford, Sherburne-Earlville, Sidney, Unadilla Valley, Walton and Windsor participated.

Our FFA thanks everyone who helped to make this event possible, including all of the judges who volunteered to support these young adults and future agriculturists! Congratulations to all of the students and members on their hard work and best of luck to those moving on to Sub States!





Congratulations!

# Library highlights art students!

The Sherburne Public Library officially unveiled a beautiful mural by Sherburne-Earlville senior **Katelyn Vanderwal** with a ribbon-cutting ceremony November 15. Katelyn won the mural competition last June and put an immense amount of time into this artwork, highlighting the Teen Space Center downstairs.

Kayleigh Olive's advanced art students had artwork on display upstairs, too. Those who contributed to the art show were:

Seniors: Madelyn Brissette, Olivia Brown, Cameron Connor, Kayla Hendrickson, Katrina Jackson, Hanna Jones, Bailey Lagoe, Lindsey Rivenburgh, Bryan Sheldon, Katelyn Vanderwal, Julia White.

Juniors: Lillie Ashton, Natalie Auwater, Darbi Dean, Olivia Dunham, Jaryn Price, Raven Rivenburgh, Louisa Roth.

Sophomores: Taylor Jennings, Trace Kane, Arleth Perez Diaz, Rocko Rapp, Avla Shaw.





## **Robotics season underway!**



Sherburne-Earlville sophomores Maxwell Collins and Kyler Paul helped Team T-Rx 145 officially kick off its 2020 Robotics season January 4.

The two are part of an eightstudent team that will represent Chenango County during the 2020 FIRST Robotics Competitions, which starts with the Central New York Regional from March 19-21 at SUNY Polytechnic Institute. Unlike previous years, high school teams may build right up until the date of competition.

The theme this year is "Infinite Recharge," where two alliances work to protect FIRST City from approaching asteroids caused by a distant space skirmish. The Alliances and their droids race to collect and score Power Cells to energize their Shield Generator for maximum protection. Visit this YouTube link for more details: https://youtu.be/gmiYWTmFRVE.

Maxwell, Kyler and Sherburne-Earlville Advisor Jon Ryan join students and mentors from Norwich and Unadilla Valley on this year's Team T-Rx 145 squad. Matthew Giglio, Zachary Russell, Aleksander Smietana, Michael Zheng and Advisor Chris Klatt represent Norwich on Team T-Rx 145, which features Unadilla Valley's Deegan Chase, Zachary Prohaska, Glenn Ramsaran and Advisor Will Rexroat.

Other mentors are team co-leaders Dave Sheldon and Mike Caruso, Samantha Chamberlin, Tom Murray and Jim Sergio.

For more information on Team T-Rx 145, visit its Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/USFirstTeam145/

## S-E junior guard Cole hits 1,000 points



The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District is proud to recognize junior **Tessa Cole** for scoring her 1,000 varsity point in girls basketball on January 14.

Tessa entered the game against visiting Clinton nine points shy of 1,000. She needed less than one quarter to join the 1,000-point club as she scored 12 in the first eight minutes.

Tessa finished with 30 points to lead the Marauders to a 61-49 victory. She was honored for her milestone during a January 17 home game against Mount Markham.

The girls and boys basketball teams qualified for the Section III Class C tournaments this season, but both fell in the first round on February 21. Sherburne-Earlville's volleyball team also fell in the first round of sectionals.

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#### **S-E swimmers find success**



Sherburne-Earlville's swimming and diving team, which includes Hamilton students, recently completed an impressive 2019-2020 season under the direction of coaches Rick Rinaldo and Sarah Hill.

Seven of the team's eight members qualified for sectionals, including all three divers. The seven competed in a total of 25 events, leading to a sixth-place team finish at the Section III Class C Meet in Syracuse.

Divers **Courtney Geier** and **Rebecca Karaman** placed fourth and fifth, respectively, at sectionals. Alexia Jusianiec also qualified for sectionals in diving but was unable to attend. Additionally, eighth-grader Amon Van Alst cut 8 seconds off his 500-yard freestyle time at sectionals, touching in 5 minutes, 51.98 seconds.

Hamilton eighth-grader Emma Crespi broke a 13-year-old school record in the 50 free with a time of 26.63 seconds and a 9-year-old school mark in the 100 butterfly, at 1:08.12.

**Josh Larchar** and **Declan Wilson** met their goals of swimming the 100 free in under a minute this season, and our youngest member, seventh-grader **Lydia Larchar**, earned valuable points throughout.

Sherburne-Earlville's co-ed team swims during the boys' regular season. That means our girls had to meet boys' sectional standards, which they had no problem achieving.

"All the kids showed a lot of heart and devotion during practice," assistant coach Hill said. "They worked hard and had positive attitudes. At the end of the season, they met their goals because of that."

Every member of this young team will return next season, but the coaches are actively recruiting newcomers. To sign up for next season, email head coach Rick Rinaldo at rinaldor@seonline.org.



# Two wrestlers qualify for states

Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlyille senior wrestlers **Ethen Eldred** and **Alex Thompson**, who qualified for the state championships this season!

Both received wild-card berths to the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Division 2 Tournament, which will run February 28-29 at the Times Union Center in Albany, following their runner-up sectional performances February 15 at Onondaga Community College's SRC Arena.

Ethen (182 pounds) and Alex (220) placed second in their respective weight classes during the Section III Division 2 Championships, where the Marauders finished ninth out of 31 teams. Classmate Morgan Lakin (160) also finished second at sectionals but did not receive a wild-card entry.

A week earlier, the three made championship appearances in the Section III Class D Tournament, which was hosted by Sherburne-Earlville. Ethen and Alex won Class D sectional titles and Morgan finished second. Colby Spavin contributed a third at 285 pounds and Selena Moore took sixth at 120.

# Register for spring sports!

Registration is open for all 2020 junior varsity and varsity spring sports. The spring sports season starts March 16, 2020.

For more information, visit our Athletics page online at https://www.secsd.org/Athletics.aspx. &

#### SHERBURNE-EARLVILLE COMMUNICATIONS

To help parents and community members know the best way to communicate with the school, we have created a chain of command guideline that should be a helpful resource. By contacting the following people in the order listed, your questions and concerns can be dealt with more efficiently.

For Questions About	1st Contact	2nd Contact	3rd Contact	4th Contact	
Academics	Teacher	School Counselor	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Athletics	Coach	Athletic Director	Superintendent		
Behavior	Teacher	Asst. Principal	Building Principal	Superintendent	
<b>BOE Policies</b>	District Clerk	Superintendent	Board of Education		
Budget	Asst. Supt.	Superintendent			
<b>Building Use</b>	Head Custodian	Building Principal	Asst. Supt.	Superintendent	
Cafeteria	Cafeteria Mgr.	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent		
Classroom Procedures	Teacher	Building Principal	Superintendent		
Co-Curricular	Advisor	Building Principal	Superintendent		
Facilities	Head Custodian	Asst. Superintendent	Superintendent		
Health Office	Building Nurse	Building Principal	Superintendent		
Scheduling	Teacher	School Counselor	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Special Education	Teacher	Building Principal	CSE Chairperson	Superintendent	
Transportation	Bus Driver	Trans. Supervisor	Building Principal	Superintendent	

Superintendent	674-7330
Assistant Superintendent	674-7365
District Clerk	674-7330
Head Custodian	674-7329
Transportation Supervisor	674-7353
Food Service Director	674-7323
Athletic Office	674-7375
High School Office	674-7380
High School Principal	674-7380
High School Assistant Principal	674-7380
Middle School Office	674-7350
Middle School Principal	674-7350
Middle School Assistant Principal	674-7350
MS/HS Nurse	674-7314
MS/HS Attendance	674-7325
Elementary Office	674-7336
Elementary Principal	
Elementary Assistant Principal	674-7336
Elementary Nurse	674-7389
Special Education Office	674-7347
Special Education Director	674-7347

<b>Important Contact Numbers</b>	<b>Board of Education</b>						
Superintendent			chedule				
District Clerk	The Sherburne-Earlville Board of Education adopted						
Head Custodian	the following board calendar for the 2019-2020 school year during its regular meeting May 13, 2019.						
Transportation Supervisor							
Food Service Director674-7323	July		ecember	May			
Athletic Office674-7375	<ul><li>2 Org. Mtg.</li><li>15 Board Ret</li></ul>		9 Regular Mtg.	11	Regular Mtg.		
High School Office					and Budget Hearing		
High School Principal674-7380	August		6 Regular Mtg.	19	Vote on		
High School Assistant Principal674-7380	12 Regular N	- T	0 0	1)	Budget		
Middle School Office	26 Regular N		ebruary		(No Regular		
Middle School Principal674-7350	September	1	0 Regular Mtg.		Mtg.)		
Middle School Assistant Principal674-7350	16 Regular N	Mtg.	larch	Jun			
MS/HS Nurse674-7314	<b>October</b>		2 Regular Mtg.	8	Regular Mtg.		
MS/HS Attendance674-7325	7 Regular N	0	3 Regular Mtg.	22	Regular Mtg.		
Elementary Office	21 Regular N	Mtg. $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	pril				
Elementary Principal674-7336	November		0 Special VOTE				
Elementary Assistant Principal674-7336	4 Regular N	0	Mtg. (BOCES				
Elementary Nurse	18 Regular N	Mtg.	Budget/BOE				
Special Education Office674-7347			Members w/				
Special Education Director674-7347			reg. mtg.)				

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#### **VISION STATEMENT**

- To achieve excellence by providing a rewarding and challenging environment.
- To raise tolerance levels on the part of all students and staff that will result in a safe, non-threatening, healthy environment.
- To promote positive relationships between and within the school and community.

#### TO ACCOMPLISH THE MISSION AND VISION, SECSD WILL ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:

- The UPK-12 instructional program comes first.
- We will develop and use a comprehensive curriculum, common assessments, and exit outcomes.
- We will have an accurate, annual assessment of each student's capabilities.
- We expect all staff to live up to the beliefs of the District.
- We expect that all staff engage in professional development.
- We will set goals and measure the progress of District programs on a yearly basis.
- We will treat people with dignity.
- We will not tolerate racial, ethnic, gender, or religious stereotyping or discrimination.
- We will not allow an individual to interfere with the educational process.
- We will reexamine the stated Mission, Vision, and Beliefs every five years.

#### **BELIEF STATEMENTS**

- School needs to challenge every individual.
- Learning is a lifelong process.
- Education enables individuals to achieve personal success in a changing world.
- The uniqueness of every individual is valued and developed.