

# Bulldog Blurbs



## Copperbowl Edition

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## WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

### Girl's Cross Country Win Div. II U.P. State Finals

The girls' Cross Country team ended their season with a big win at the championship U.P. Finals in Marquette. This team beat seven other schools in Division II, and their closest rival, St. Ignace, by almost 20 points. U.P. Champion Maylie Kilpela was first overall in the race with a time of 21:16, a time which would have also won the Division III race and also would have given her a top ten finish in Division I.

Sierrah Driscoll and Makenna Nuttall came out 5th and 6th overall, and Jacie Anderson finished 9th. Those four girls received All-State Honors. Adia Keranen, Cayley Cunard and Kysa Keranen rounded out the championship team, all competing very well and with their finishes and times making it possible to get the victory. Cassi Pietila did not compete in finals because a team cannot be more than seven runners. But she ran varsity for much of the season, making it possible for this team to never place lower than 3rd in any invitational.

These girls have beaten Houghton, Chassell and Westwood, all excellent teams, over the course of the season. Jacie, Makenna, Cayley and Adia were the core of the team, running every practice and race, while Sierrah, Maylie, Kysa and Cassi found time along with their volleyball schedule to practice and race whenever they could. Both groups deserve high praise for their hard work and dedication. Congratulations on the big win.

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## INTERACT Inducts New Members

On 11/5, Mr. Stephen Smith and old members had the opportunity to induct **10** new members into the Interact club. This was held in the board room, and is a special occasion to recognize this club and their members. Helena Huotari, a sophomore said, "It's important to get involved in the community and to help in some way." The Interact Club will be holding a book sale and a blood drive in the upcoming few weeks. The blood drive will be on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. If anyone is looking to help donate to the cause and help save a life, please contact Ellie Sturos. Congratulations to this club and the new members who want to help contribute to society!

## Dates to Know

- **11/13** – Early Release; Teacher Inservice
- **11/18** – School Board Meeting
- **11/22** – *Interact Blood Drive*
- **11/28-11/29** **Thanksgiving Break**
- **11/29 and 11/30** – Copper Island Classic @ Calumet

## NHS Off to a Strong Start

By D'Andra Kero

On Wednesday, October 16th, new members were officially inducted into the National Honor Society. The 2019-2020 inductees included: seniors Petr Anderson, Kyla Colombe, and Sydney LaCourt, and juniors Kaisa Alholinna, Lydia Bylkas, Laura Fenton, Sophie Heinonen, Marina Kero, Mandy Levanen, Jada Oja, Mason Mikesch, Austin Salani, Gavin Simonson, Gabe Smith, and Tanner Walrath. Since the Induction Ceremony, the club has been meeting as needed, discussing and planning events for the year. Aside from the 15 hours of community service required to be completed by each individual member, the group as a whole must complete at least one event per marking period this year. The members were asked to volunteer at the Parent-Teacher Conferences on Thursday, November 7th, by acting as ushers and child care. This is an opportunity for the students to help complete their individual service hours. The first event NHS will be putting on will be the TV-6 Canathon, which will be a competition between first hour classes



taking place from November 11th to December 3rd. A few more events are currently being planned and will be put on throughout the school year by the National Honor Society as well. Congratulations to our new inductees!

## Hockey Season is Upon Us

By Marina Kero

The Bulldogs are coming in to the 2019-2020 hockey season very optimistic. With another young squad, they are hoping to come out with a winning season. "I feel as if the three open spots we have to replace from our past seniors will be filled with new talent. We should be a very competitive team with our local rivalries," says Hancock junior forward, Austin Salani. The Dawgs are hoping to be led by their three returning seniors: Defensemen, Paul Lorenzetti and forwards Petr Anderson, and Colton Salani, and a handful of strong juniors. Come out and support the Bulldogs hockey program in their opening weekend of games versus the Calumet Copper Kings, in Calumet for the Copper Island Classic on Thanksgiving weekend.

## COUNSELORS CORNER

### **TRIP TO NORTHERN MICHIGAN'S JACOBETTI CENTER**

**Friday December 6th, 2019**

**8:00-3:30**

**Lunch will be provided!**

The Jacobetti Center is the home to the College of Technology and Occupational Sciences at Northern Michigan University. The Jacobetti Center offers courses in hospitality management, cosmetology, automotive repair, construction management, building technology, electronics, industrial technology and skilled trades such as HVAC, welding, industrial maintenance and computer numerical control (CNC). Any juniors or seniors who are interested, please sign up in the Guidance Center.

**Seniors**

### **FINLANDIA TRIP**

A date will be announced soon for a Campus Visit to Finlandia University. Students will meet with an Admissions Counselor, Department Heads, Tour the Campus, and have lunch in the cafeteria. Watch for date and sign up.

**JUNIORS**

**Please remember KAHN ACADEMY!**

One hour a week from now until **APRIL**. YOUR SAT SCORE WILL IMPROVE!!!!

**ANY Dual Enrollment and Early College Students should start looking at classes for next semester.**



## Librarian's Corner

With the Portage Lake District Library taking over the responsibility of our Hancock Public Library, some changes have been made. The past few years our library hasn't been very active in terms of use and activity, but we are looking to change that. This year, our library has a number of new features that they are hoping to implement, along with other events and activities. One of these is a book sale coming up on Friday, November 22nd from 3:30-6p.m. and Saturday, November 23rd from 10a.m.-2p.m. There is also story hour in the library on the first Friday of each month at 10:15a.m.

The library is looking to incorporate few new things this year. They recently received a grant for a button maker and are hoping to create "Button Friday's" where students can go to the library at any time and create their own buttons, pins or magnets for free. The library is also hoping to open an adult book club in January.

Our library is open Monday-Tuesday from 10a.m.-7p.m. and Wednesday-Friday from 10a.m.-4p.m. Feel free to visit the library at any time throughout the day for a nice atmosphere to study, read or simply relax.



### Quiz Bowl Team Defeats Chassell in First Tournament; Falls to Calumet

The quiz bowl team participated in the TV13 high school bowl tournament on 10/11/19 and beat Chassell. However, the Quizbowl team had a recent tournament and took a tough loss to the Calumet Copper Kings. The team tried their best and didn't go down without a fight!

## COPPER BOWL 2019 MEMORIES

Copper Bowl 2019 was one to remember, especially with the JV and Varsity football team taking two big wins over the Houghton Gremlins. The volleyball team put up a fight but took a tough loss to the Gremlins in four sets. Overall the week was a huge success, with many new things that we brought into the week. One of those being float building and downtown decorating, which the students really seemed to enjoy. The Spirit Club also added a Duke and Duchess to the court which was chosen between the freshman and sophomore representatives. This year's king and queen were Miguel Lansac and Tristin Holman. Austin Salani and Marina Kero won prince and princess, and Dominic Pizzi and Kaisa Salani were named duke and duchess.

We still continued many of the same traditions including the burning of the Gremlin, Powderpuff (girls football), Powderbuff (boys volleyball), dress up days, the car parade through Houghton and the tailgate before the football game on Friday. Of course, we can't forget about the class competitions through the week. Seniors finished the week with the most total points winning the spirit week for Copper Bowl! Overall, the week was full of school spirit and excitement through all of the grade levels and it was definitely one to remember!





# Bulldog Recognition

By Sophie Heinonen

This week I had the chance to interview HCH alumni, Jon Ahola. He is the vice president of Research and Development at Stryker Corporation. Stryker is one of the world's leading medical technology companies. Jon graduated in 1991 and went on to get his bachelor's in Mechanical Science at Michigan Tech. He has also taken some business classes at Harvard and other classes through Stryker. In high school, Jon really liked his science and math classes because his teachers pushed him to be great. The most beneficial class he had taken here at Hancock was his A.P. Chem class. He said, "It was tough and challenging but very beneficial." Jon's favorite memory from high school was his senior year when his golf team was the U.P. champs. His advice to current students would be, "To find something you are passionate about because you will put in more work and it will be more enjoyable". Jon now lives in Kalamazoo, Michigan with his wife and two daughters. What he misses about the U.P. would be the people and the fall season. He also misses the Ambassador pizza and pasties but he does not miss the snow!



## COPPER BOWL 2019 CONTINUED



# Student Says

By Sloane Driscoll



**Maari Brey, 9<sup>th</sup> grade**  
**What was your favorite part of Copper Bowl?**

*Float building.*

**What is your favorite Thanksgiving food?**

*Stuffing.*

**What are your predictions on your deer season?**

*I don't hunt, but Ryan Moilanen will shoot an 8 pointer.*

**Marina Kero, 11<sup>th</sup> grade**

**What was your favorite part of Copper Bowl?**

*I think the float building and down town decorating, because it was a new tradition and promotes our school spirit.*

**What's your favorite Thanksgiving food?**

*Ham.*

**What are your predictions on your deer season?**

*I don't hunt, but I hope those who do, have success.*



**Kaydence Kilpela, 10<sup>th</sup> grade**

**What was your favorite part of Copper Bowl?**

*The teacher skit in the assembly.*

**What's your favorite Thanksgiving food?**

*Mashed Potatoes*

**What are your predictions on your deer season?**

*My dad got one, so I'm excited about that.*



**Ellie Sturos, 12<sup>th</sup> grade**

**What was your favorite part of Copper Bowl?**

*It was the best, last Copper Bowl. Especially beating the Gremlins.*

**Whats your favorite Thanksgiving food?**

*Rolls.*

**Predict your deer season.**

*I don't hunt.*

