

Diocese of Scranton

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*The Diocese of Scranton is committed to educating our students in an environment that is academically excellent and facilitates the development of moral judgment and Christian decision-making. We are proud to share the following successes of our students in the classroom and in their service to others. Each day, our schools are fulfilling their mission of preparing today's youth and young adults to become tomorrow's faith-filled leaders.*



The boys' basketball players and coaching staff from **Holy Cross High School in Dunmore** recently invited students entering fourth through ninth grade to a summer camp at the school so they could review player fundamentals, preparing for their time as future Crusader basketball superstars.



Emily Ortiz, the Student Council Treasurer at **Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School in East Stroudsburg**, performs a final count of the money NDHS students donated to Catholic Social Services of the Diocese of Scranton to assist those in need. A total of \$660.20 was collected thanks to a bake sale and a dress-down day.



Promoting the love of learning new things, students in third through eighth grade participated in the Annual Science Fair at **Holy Family Academy in Hazleton**. Students in first and second grade could also present if they wished. The winners are pictured proudly displaying their awards for the top presentations.



Jenny Mertes and Anne Weller, seniors at **Saint John Neumann High School in Williamsport**, put the finishing touches on the senior mural just before graduation. This year's artwork depicts a dandelion's transformation from a flower, with the name of each senior added as a seed in the wind of their future.





The eighth grade history class of **Holy Rosary School in Duryea** presented a Wax Museum featuring figures that shared interesting facts about their life. Technology, writing, speaking skills, history, and research were all brought together in a cross-curricular approach. Pictured are: Olivia DeSena as Maurine Dallas Watkins; Ashely Abplanalp as Elizabeth Taylor; Adina DeStefano as Audrey Hepburn; Brielle Scheland as Pierina Legnani; Hailey Halagarda as Betsy Ross; Paige Skibitsky as Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis; Gloria Tabone as Amelia Earhart; Karli Mahasky as Whitney Houston; Paige Kryptovich as Hedy La Marr; Sarah Lyons as Eliza Hamilton; Jessica Ostrowski as Pocahontas; Hailey Sebastian as Anne Frank; Carsyn Cole as Mona Lisa; Gisele Falzone as Prince; Kyle Skutack as Ted Williams; Henry Rosen as Steve Jobs; Dino DiMauro as Elvis Presley; Louis Lussi as Lou Gehrig; Andrew Bender as Vladimir Lenin; and Ethan Licari as Bob Ross.



Using paint, feathers, glitter, and a lot of imagination, students at **Monsignor McHugh School in Cresco** created these unique masks at the school's annual Summer Art Camp.



The eighth grade class at **Good Shepherd Academy in Kingston** finished their final year at the school with a rousing performance of "The Magical Land of Oz," a musical based on the book by L. Frank Baum.



The first grade students at **Saint Clare/Saint Paul School in Scranton** end the school year by focusing on coding activities. Coding allows students to tell the computer what they want it to do. Shown are some of the students working on a program that allows them to add Christmas lights to a home.



Egypt became the center of the world for sixth graders at **Epiphany School in Sayre** just before summer vacation. Students studied Ancient Egypt in their history class that included lessons about mummies, which they then replicated using paper mache for an art class project.





Students in the third and fourth grades at **La Salle Academy in Jessup** made dreams come true by sending birthday wishes to WWII veteran Duane Sherman for his 96th birthday. Their cards and letters were some of the 50,000 he received this year. Shown are the students and the thank you letters from Mr. Sherman and his daughter, Sue, who helped organize the card-sending campaign.



Students attending the Summer STREAM Camp at **Our Lady of Peace School in Clarks Green** learned an ancient Japanese technique called Gyotaku, or “fish rubbing,” to create T-shirts while using actual perch. Pictured are the campers with their creations: Daniel Stofko, Tucker Abrahamsen, Bridget DeRiancho, Eliana Pilone, Giuseppe Pilone, Dominick Kuna. Luke Paulino, Marco Paoli, Corey Seliga, Aidan Lalley, Colin Lalley, Cole Spinelli, Carter Kowalski, Darsh Patel and Jake Millett.



Savanna and Tommy, students at **All Saints Academy in Scranton**, show off their school spirit this summer while visiting Ocean City, Maryland.



As part of their preparation for their First Holy Communion, the second grade class at **Saint Mary of Mount Carmel School in Dunmore** collected 157 take-home bags for Saint Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen in Scranton. They added a friendly note and drawing to each bag for a very personal touch.



Stephen Renfer, Hayden Foland, Joyce Renfer, Talia Lasota, Kendall Hadley and Valerie Werhun, students at **Wyoming Area Catholic School in Exeter**, have been selected as recipients of the 2019 National Junior Honor Society Outstanding Achievement Award. To be nominated, students must be a National Junior Honor Society member in good standing in scholarship, service, leadership, character and citizenship. Each winner received a \$500 award, which was placed in a college savings account for future use.