SHARING OUR VISION
turning ideas into action

2013-14 Annual Report
“I’ve learned not to accept mediocrity when I know I can do something better.”

- A Seneca Valley Middle School student, sharing what she learned about herself, upon completion of the Scenario Showcase held annually by Purpose students.

Seneca Valley School District Mission Statement
In collaboration with family and community, the mission of the Seneca Valley School District is to provide an academically rigorous learning experience in a progressive environment, emphasizing civic responsibility and global awareness.

On the Cover
Leah Will participated in CVE’s 2014 Earth Day activities. She’s seen in the school’s garden, which is filled with all types of flowers that bloom year-round.
The 2013-14 school year was another stellar one for the Seneca Valley School District. A number of our teachers won awards for their outstanding work; many of our students earned accolades for their academic and creative talents; and several of our sports teams won championships or enjoyed exciting playoff runs.

In short, it was another year of the Seneca Valley School District at its best! How were all of these successes achieved? By turning ideas into action. Good ideas are born in our buildings every day. Students and staff are taking and working these ideas into action plans and activities that never fail to amaze and excite me.

As you browse through this annual report, you will find examples of these ideas and actions. Whether it’s a community service project or a building award; all took the efforts and work of many to see these to fruition.

The Academy of Choice and Seneca Valley Foundation continue to grow as we provide options to our students that change the way we view education.

Our special education department and business office share highlights of the year – a review that not only offers a glimpse of the past year and the milestones we’ve achieved, but also one with an eye toward the future.

Of course, you will also find several pages dedicated to sharing our demographic makeup, including annual statistics and assessment, and a detailed review of the Class of 2014.

I am proud to lead this great District as we progress forward in an ever-changing world filled with technological advances that alter the way we teach, assess and administrate. Speaking of which, be sure to check out our “Social Matters” page to get a glimpse at what our thousands of followers are saying about Seneca Valley.

We hope that you enjoy this annual report and will join us in our commitment to taking great ideas and turning them into action. As Walt Disney said, “Get a good idea and stay with it. Dog it, and work at it until it’s done right.”

- Dr. Tracy Vitale, Superintendent of Schools
Awards & Recognitions

PDE Names Haine Elementary as Title I Distinguished School

Each year, the Pennsylvania Department of Education’s (PDE) Division of Federal Programs honors the top performing Title I schools in Pennsylvania. In 2013-14, Haine Elementary was named one of those schools, and designated a Title I Distinguished School.

Title I provides financial assistance to schools for the education of children from low-income families. Haine is among only 92 schools from across the state for scoring among the highest 5 percent of Title I schools based on aggregate math and reading Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) scores and met all annual measurable objectives.

PDE honored Haine Elementary School at the 2014 Title I Improving Schools’ Performance Conference, and the school was eligible to be chosen as Pennsylvania’s National Title I Distinguished School. “I congratulate the staff on the success they are experiencing within the school,” said Carolyn Dumaresq, acting secretary of education.

Haine, SVMS Earn Bullying Prevention Program Distinction

Haine Elementary School has been a national stand out when it comes to the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program (OBP). Now, though, they have company.

It was recently announced that Haine Elementary and Seneca Valley Middle School were named Quality Assurance Systems with the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program. Officials from the HALT! Bullying Prevention organization held a site visit at both buildings and recently notified school officials that Haine Elementary and Seneca Valley Middle schools continue to “demonstrate a high level of fidelity” to the Olweus Program, earning them the unique honor of having an assurance credited program. Haine Elementary first earned this quality assurance designation in 2011.

Olweus is a whole-school program that has been proven to prevent or reduce bullying throughout a school setting. It is used at the school, classroom, and individual levels and includes methods to reach out to parents and the community for involvement and support. School administrators, teachers, and other staff are primarily responsible for introducing and implementing the program with the purpose of improving peer relations and making the school a safer and more positive place for students to learn and develop.

Additionally, it is important to note that the Seneca Valley School District has implemented the Olweus model district-wide and, as such, provides release time for staff trainings and meetings, and designates class time for weekly student meetings. Everyone, including bus drivers and cafeteria workers, are trained in Olweus at Seneca Valley.

SVMS earns ‘Schools to Watch’ Redesignation

First recognized three years ago for its outstanding academic performance, Seneca Valley Middle School has been re-designated one of the nation’s “Schools to Watch,” a recognition program developed by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform.

Launched in 1999, “Schools to Watch” began as a national program to identify middle-grades schools across the country that were meeting or exceeding 37 criteria developed by the National Forum, including academic excellence, outstanding organizational structure and development responsiveness. The Forum developed a web site (www.schoolstowatch.org) that features online tours of schools, as well as detailed information about the selection criteria used in the recognition program.

“We are extremely excited to earn this distinction for a second time,” said Dr. Tracy Vitale, Seneca Valley Superintendent of Schools. “We are proud of the teachers, staff and students who have worked so hard over the years to make Seneca Valley Middle School an example of educational excellence. ‘Schools to Watch’ recognizes those schools that deepen students’ knowledge and use a variety of methods to assess and monitor the progress of their learning; Seneca Valley Middle School exemplifies all of these qualities, plus so much more.

There are now 19 states across the country, which have trained Schools to Watch State Teams, with more than 340 schools recognized. The National Forum sponsors the Schools to Watch program along with the Association for Middle Level Education (AMLE/formerly NMSA), the National Association for Elementary School Principals, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, Learning Forward, ASCD, and State Schools to Watch affiliates.

The National Forum to Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform is an alliance of 65 educators, researchers, national associations, and officers of professional organizations and foundations dedicated to improving education in the middle grades.
Governor's Award for Excellence in Academics

Haine Elementary School, Evans City Middle School and Seneca Valley Middle School were all named 2013 Governor’s Award for Excellence in Academics for attaining a score of 90 percent or higher on the 2012-13 School Performance Profile (SPP).

Based on the SPP, www.paschoolperformance.org, Haine Elementary School attained a score of 95.5 percent - the highest in the district. Seneca Valley Middle School earned a 90.8 percent and Evans City Middle School reached a 90.6 percent.

The School Performance Profile includes results of the statewide assessments and other measures of student achievement, such as academic growth from year to year, graduation rate, attendance rate and promotion rate. The profile also incorporates increasing the achievement of all students, including historically underperforming students, such as English language learners, economically disadvantaged students and students with disabilities.

For more on the Seneca Valley School District results through the SPP, see the Assessments/Testing section of the 2013-14 Annual Report.

Pittsburgh Business Times

The Pittsburgh Business Times (PBT) came out with their Annual Guide to Western Pennsylvania Schools in April 2014. In it, Seneca Valley is ranked number 15 out of more than 100 western Pennsylvania schools, and number 53 out of 500 state-wide schools.

Lip Dub Winners!

Seneca Valley Senior High School was named the 2013 Lip Dub Winners! As the first place finishers, they were recipients of a $5,000 cash prize and 100 Lip Dub T-shirts. Football Hall of Famer and Pittsburgh Power Co-Owner Lynn Swann, executive officers from the Pittsburgh Tribune Review and St. Vincent College, presented a check to the high school. The competition invited schools to “show us your school spirit” by creating a Lip Dub Video (lip synching dubbed over a song with no editing). Approximately 19 videos were submitted from schools all around the region. Hundreds of comments and nearly 67,000 people voted, the more than 1,000 students and staff who participated, added Lip Dub bragging rights to their time spent at Seneca Valley. To view the winning 2013 Lip Dub, go to the link below.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jZxv12Bl4BU

Publication Awards

Seneca Valley won five awards in the 2013-14 Pennsylvania School Public Relations Association’s Annual Publications Contest:

- Annual Report – two different Awards of Honor; one for the Annual Report category and one for the Electronic Communications category
- Advertising – Award of Honor for Best Use of Advertising (on our website)
- District Calendar – Award of Excellence
- District Website – Award of Excellence

Seneca Valley also won three awards in the 2013-14 National School Public Relations Association’s Annual Publication Contest:

- Annual Report – Award of Merit
- District Calendar – Honorable Mention
- Bullying Prevention Brochure – Honorable Mention

Strategic Plan

Seneca Valley School District’s Strategic Plan was developed through the active participation of parents, students, school directors, teachers, administrators, other school personnel, business and community members. Through this process, District Officials met periodically throughout the school year to provide detailed information related to the educational goals and visions of the District. Planning teams were established at the building level and consisted of key stakeholders that contributed to this process.

To read our strategic plan, visit www.svsd.net/StrategicPlan
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Mr. Jim Lucot, senior high school social studies teacher, has been named a regional finalist for Pennsylvania’s Teacher of the Year. The competition is rigorous and includes experiences, professional credits, community involvement and personal motivations. “It is certainly an honor to achieve this status,” according to Angela D. Homan, selection committee chair first vice president of the state organization.

Officials from the organization will review video submissions and previous application materials to help identify the top finalists with the winner being announced in early winter 2014.

Seneca Valley School District provides equal employment opportunities (EEO) to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, age, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, ancestry, national origin, marital status, pregnancy, or handicap/disability in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws.
In the 2013-14 school year, members of the Seneca Valley School Board approved several new cyber opportunities that include 11 new gaming courses, which have been added to the curriculum for grades 7 – 12. Just think; students can learn how to understand code and create gaming systems like the popular games Minecraft and Mario Brothers. The courses will be a blended model that is adding on to the already strong Applied Technology Department. SVAOC is increasing the gaming languages that students can speak. Space will be created for this blended learning environment in the library of the Senior High School and Intermediate High School. These courses never before existed and offer students an opportunity to learn skills that are now vital in the 21st century workplace. SVAOC will be working directly with Zulama, an exclusive online program for middle and high schoolers created by faculty who teach these subjects to students at Carnegie Mellon University. Zulama provides in-depth teacher training to ensure the success of teaching relatively new and unfamiliar areas of game design, programming, 3D art, and digital storytelling. The new gaming courses will engage students, help provide a new passion for learning, and build a curriculum relevant to today. “We are very excited to offer more opportunities to our students here at SV and our partnering districts. Students seem to be very excited to have even more gaming choices in addition to the other gaming courses within cyber and traditional classes,” said Ms. Denise Manganello, SVAOC Principal.

Additional curriculum that was board approved at the end of the 2013-14 school year includes International Baccalaureate (IB) Course Work, available for grades 11-12. Students can choose from the following courses: Business and Management Standard Level, Film, Information Technology in a Global Society Standard Level/High Level, Mandarin ab initio and Philosophy Standard Level. These international courses are rigorous, dynamic, and designed to help students develop the appreciation, knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to live and work in an ever-changing global marketplace. “We have always had a strong focus on Advanced Placement courses, and that continues; however, the new offering of International Baccalaureate courses allows students to interact with their peers across the globe,” stated Dr. Matt McKinley, assistant superintendent for 7-12 instruction.

We’re also excited to share with you the addition of gymnastic courses that are a part of the Performing Arts program. SVAOC is partnering with X-Cel Gymnastics, a progressive gymnastics training facility in Cranberry Township. This program emphasizes strength training, body awareness, flexibility and skill development for both gymnasts as well as sports conditioning. X-Cel builds upon core fundamentals to ensure a safe and exciting atmosphere while demonstrating incremental achievement.
The Seneca Valley School District’s Special Education Department is committed to meeting the needs of students with disabilities and helping them reach their potential. The Seneca Valley School District offers a continuum of services and placement options to meet the needs of each student. Services include but are not limited to:

- Life Skills Support
- Learning Support
- Emotional Support
- Autistic Support
- Speech and Language Support

In addition, services for eligible students may also be provided by Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV (MIU-IV). Services provided by MIU-IV may be provided in the district by itinerant MIU-IV staff or in multi-district programs. Multi-district programs include: Deaf/Hard of Hearing Support, Blind-Visually Impaired Support, Life Skills Support, Autistic Support, Speech/Language Support and Multiple Disabilities Support.

**Highlights in Special Education:**

- Each building contains iPads, loaded with educational applications, which are used to enhance the education of students receiving special education.
- All students have access to laptop computers.
- Each classroom contains a SMART board.
- SMART tables are available in select classrooms where needed.
- Sensory rooms are present in each elementary building, each middle school building, and the Intermediate High School.
- A Behavior Specialist has been added to assist students and staff K-6.
- A part-time speech/language teacher has been added to assist with growing caseloads at Haine elementary school.
- Autistic Support classrooms are moving from Rowan to Haine and Evans City Elementary to reduce student transitions and ensure that students attend their neighborhood schools.
- Co-teaching and additional inclusionary practices will continue to be enhanced.
- Academic Extended School Year (ESY) and summer learning opportunities will be provided for learners with autism spectrum disorders.
- Reading intervention programs are provided to students who require such assistance.
- Each building contains a team of staff trained in crisis prevention. This training emphasizes prevention, de-escalation, and nonphysical methods for managing disruptive behavior.
- Three district teachers are certified trainers of crisis prevention techniques.
- A cyclical monitoring audit was conducted at Glade Run by the PA Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education resulting in 0 findings.
- A coffee business, PAES Café, is entirely managed by students participating in the PAES Lab. Hot coffee or tea made and delivered to secondary campus staff daily. Designed to teach students business skills necessary to be successful in the future.
- Students in our life skills program learn valuable skills and provide a much needed shredding service to our staff.
- A garden is planned, planted, and maintained by students receiving special education services at our secondary campus.
- A mock apartment is located on our secondary campus to allow students who receive special education services to practice independent living skills.
- Students receiving Life Skills Support at our secondary campus experience frequent community-based instructional opportunities.
- Our secondary campus houses a PAES Lab (Practical Assessment Exploration System), which is a lab for students receiving special education to learn about and practice pre-vocational skills.

“It warms our hearts when we see a professional animal at work in assisting someone who is in need of a companion.”

- A Seneca Valley parent responding to the use of a service dog in the Seneca Valley Intermediate High School
I am writing to let you and your entire staff know what a wonderful job you did making last week’s 2014 Graduation Ceremony so special.

We wanted to take the time to let you know that we truly appreciate the education that our girls received at Seneca Valley—in all of the schools they attended. Four of our daughters have now completed post-secondary education and all are working in their respective fields of study.

Their educational experiences at Seneca Valley helped to prepare them for their future endeavors. Kudos for a wonderful evening of celebration for the Class of 2014!!!

- Parents of a 2014 Seneca Valley Graduate
To view a video featuring 2014 graduates and their post high school education choices, please go to:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jcW-W2GkvVk#t=51

Graduating Class of 2014

547
Students in Senior Class

90
Seniors in National Honor Society

6
SAT/National Merit Qualifiers

2
National Merit Finalists

2
National Merit Semifinalists

6
Received Letter of Commendation

1
Special Corporate Scholarships

2
National Merit Scholarships

1
National Achievement Scholarships

3
National Hispanic Recognition Program

115
Students Graduating with Highest Honors (4.0 or higher)

66
Students Graduating with High Honor Roll (3.75 – 3.99)

164
Students Graduating with Honor Roll (3.20 – 3.74)

89%
of Students Attending a 2 or 4 year College or Technical/Trade School

73%
of Students Attending 4 year College

13%
of Students Attending 2 year Community or Junior College

7%
of Students Planning to Work Full-Time

4%
of Students Joining the Military Service

3%
of Students Attending Business, Trade or Technical School

<1%
of Students Undecided about Future Plans

“I felt prepared academically coming from Seneca Valley. That’s especially true since Seneca Valley offers so many great Advanced Placement Classes; and the Purpose (Gifted) Program is fantastic. I had a lot of opportunities at SV that I don’t think many students have at other schools. I was also lucky to have such great teachers.”

- Dana Schneider, Seneca Valley Class of ‘11 and Yale University Student

“When I inform people about how I took news classes, documentary, writing for the paper, produced shows, anchored, reported, used the software that is used for everything we edit here, everyone is amazed and say they wish they could have had these opportunities. Feel free to share this with everyone and tell them all to take advantage of the opportunities that they have, because they have helped to prepare me and shape me so much!”

- Nicole Jelinek, Seneca Valley Class of ‘13 and Kent State University Student

“Seneca Valley provided me with the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities and helped to make me a well-rounded student. Seneca Valley also helped me with a strong academic background and foundation, and I truly appreciate all I was given during my time there.”

- Scott Klavon, Seneca Valley Class of ’79, Aerospace Engineer, Director of Nadcap Program & Aerospace Operations at Performance Review Institute (PRI)
### Graduating Class of 2014 continued

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**TOTAL number of Seniors planning to continue education beyond high school**

**485**

**Employment**

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Seneca Valley Outperforms State and National Averages

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### Endless Possibilities

**SV Graduation Projects allow students to soar**

The Seneca Valley Graduation Project is a continuing educational experience through the junior and senior year requiring the successful completion of four separate components in a student-chosen area of study.

In addition to a research paper, students complete a project, a portfolio and an oral presentation in an investigated area of interest. In their junior year, students focus on a particular aspect of the general area of study in order to develop a topic that will culminate in a research paper. During their senior year, students develop a project that may be community, career or enrichment oriented. Progress is logged in an individual portfolio prepared by the student that judges, made up of community and staff members, review before hearing the student’s presentation of the project.

Many Seneca Valley students report that their college-level work includes similar requirements to the graduation project or its components, and having completed a project of this nature has prepared them well. We’ve also seen several other students get involved with non-profit organizations like Habitat for Humanity and area food shelters, continuing on with their projects long after graduating. According to one teacher, “It is admirable that students choose such important and relevant issues to focus on for (the) project.”

Some examples of the more than 500 subjects students chosen for the 2013-14 Graduation Project:

- Wind turbine
- Remote controlled car
- Welding a trailer
- Roller coaster design simulation
- Soda fountain construction
- Video game refurbishment
- Telescope development
- Water turbine
- Code writing and designing for a volunteer organization
- “Green” hockey rink
- Robotic leg design and programming
- “Osprey-like” flying robot
- Model airplane/glider
- Water purifier
- Sports concussion research study
- Fundraising planning and implementation
- Grant writing

**See it here** -
Corey McCoy, a 2014 Seneca Valley graduate, designed and built a remote controlled lawn mower for his graduation project during his senior year.

To see Cory’s graduation project, please go to: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_hJY_ZYujRQ&feature=youtu.be
How Seneca Valley Gives Back

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Rowan Elementary, Share the Gift of Kindness
Students at Rowan Elementary helped to “Share the Gift of Kindness” throughout the community over the Holiday Season. During the first week in December, students brought household items to school such as baby wash, diapers, baby clothes, toiletries, non-perishable food items, paper towels, Kleenex, detergent, soap etc… and placed the items under Rowan’s Caring Tree, located in the front lobby of the building. As students placed their items under the tree, they wrote their name on an ornament and displayed it on the tree. PTA volunteers boxed and delivered all donations to community organizations including Gleaner’s Food Bank, VOICe, Project Hope and Lifeline.

Haine Elementary, First Grade Donates to the Western PA Humane Society
HES 1st grade students were asked to collect bags of dog and cat food to be delivered to the Western PA Humane Society. The food was collected the evening of their Thanksgiving program, delivered to the Humane Society and was very successful. Whitney Venus, the Assistant Director of Development for the Western PA Humane Society wrote a letter thanking the students for their contribution. Here is part of that letter:

“On behalf of the shelter staff and pets, I would like to thank you for your generous contribution of dog and cat food on November 24, 2013. Your gift has helped the nearly 10,000 pets that came through our door this past year. It has also supported the many programs that we have that assist our pets and the community, directly and through education, with the ultimate goal of helping pet needs.”
Haine Middle School, Giving Thanks

Sixth grade students from Haine Middle School assembled 42 food baskets that were donated to the Light of Life Rescue Mission. Mr. Dan DiDesiderio, principal, said their goal in providing this community service was not only to give Thanksgiving meals to those in need, but to also allow the students to be a small part of something that has a huge impact on our community and those who live in it. A number of partial food items remained once the baskets were packed, so parents decided to pitch in and fill those baskets and complete additional full meals that were also donated. A total of 58 baskets were given to the Light of Life Rescue Mission.

Evans City Elementary, Students ‘STOMP’ Out Cancer, Raise $19,000

Evans City Elementary and Middle schools held their annual Saulle’s Teddy Bear Official Memorial Parade (STOMP out) Cancer Event.

Students, grades K-6, spent the day walking around the building to raise money and awareness for cancer. In 2014, the school raised $19,000, the most ever raised during the event. Even “Iceburgh,” the Pittsburgh Penguins mascot, joined in on all the fun.

The funds raised from the STOMP Out Cancer Walk were donated to the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute during a check presentation ceremony at the school on May 30.

Evans City Middle School, Annual Food Drive

Each November through December, Evans City holds an Annual Food Drive. During the food drive, two of the fifth grade classrooms held a “friendly competition” to see which group of students would bring in more items. Under the direction of Mrs. Piso, Mr. Parish, and Mr. Ehmann, the students brought in more than 1,500 items! While Mr. Parish’s class “won” the contest, all involved were very proud of their efforts in contributing so much to the community.

Seneca Valley Middle School

Stuff the Bus

The Seneca Valley Middle School’s annual “Stuff the Bus” campaign yielded 1,150 new toys being donated to Toys for Tots in 2013-14. It also earned students the privilege to “pie a principal.” Ms. Andrea Peck, principal, and Mr. Larry Wendereusz, acting assistant principal, were good sports in allowing numerous students to celebrate their efforts by throwing pie at them.

2014 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards Competition

Elexa White, 13, of Cranberry Twp, Pa., a seventh-grader at Seneca Valley Middle School, is one of just eight students from across the state to be chosen as a distinguished finalist in the 2014 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards Competition. This national program honors students in grades 5-12 for outstanding volunteer service, and is conducted annually by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

Miss White was chosen for this elite honor in recognition of her efforts to raise $100,000 to benefit the American Heart Association by serving as spokesperson for its Open Your Heart Campaign in 2013. Elexa, who was born with a heart defect that was surgically corrected, helped to plan and fundraise for the annual Heart Ball and publicly shared her experiences to raise awareness about heart disease.

“I don’t just do this for myself,” Miss White explained. “I do it for all the amazing people I’ve met along the way, especially, my friends from Heart Camp. I’m usually the one being inspired by listening to adults speak. I love the feeling of accomplishment I get when adults tell me I made an impact on their lives.” Her parents, Richard and Kirstin, couldn’t be more proud of the work she is doing, stating that it’s fulfilling to see the work and impact she is having on people of all ages. This award is validation that her efforts are making a difference. “We are touched that others were able to learn how dedicated Elexa is in helping to change people’s lives by awarding her with this honor,” said the Whites.
Intermediate High School, Student Council Walk-a-Thon

IHS Student Council knew that they wanted to help, but who needed their assistance? It did not take long before one of STUCO’s members, David Camus, brought up the name of Brandon Welsh-King, a SVIHS student, who was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia this year. The indefatigable students on the Council knew that the Welsh-King family was in need and did not hesitate to embark on a journey to help them. Penn State’s Thon’s theme was immediately on the lips of every member, so we took our cue from the “Thon,” yet embarked on a smaller scale model—a walk-a-thon. David procured a D.J., Officer McCombs from Evans City, who offered his services for free for the entire day, emitting rhythms and beats to keep feet moving.

In addition, the IHS English teachers rallied behind this charitable endeavor, collecting donations from students. IHS teachers are well versed in their pedagogy, as well as are astute in building student character, demonstrated by the fact that students raised $5,117 to support Brandon and his family.

Article courtesy Ms. Cheryl Zorich, Student Council Advisor.

Senior High School, Students Combine Coursework With Community Service

‘Change’ is good

Nutritional experts say the most important meal of the day is breakfast.

Seneca Valley Senior High school students in Ms. Rebekah Grinnen’s economic classes agreed, using it as an advertising advantage for their small business coursework. Teams of students created breakfast sandwiches that they marketed, financed and ultimately sold to students and staff in the building for three days last month. In addition to the lessons they learned in executing such an effort, they raised $1,344.27 for Change for Thanksgiving, a local charity.

Additional fundraising programs in the building brought the total amount raised to more than $4,200. The money was utilized to buy grocery gift cards from the Shop-n-Save in Cranberry Township for 78 families, which were mailed out the week before Thanksgiving.

Senior Holiday Event

Nearly 400 senior citizens from all over the Seneca Valley Community came out on Dec. 19 for the 16th Annual Senior Holiday Event. Attendees were treated to a selection of songs from the Seneca Valley Strings Quartet, the Seneca Valley Madrigal Singers and the Seneca Valley Jazz Ensemble. They were also shown the award-winning Lip Dub Video! Once things wrapped up in the auditorium, our guests were treated to a turkey meal with all the fixings. We thank the senior high school student council, National Honor Society, JROTC, SVTV and members of the senior high school student body for serving our guests and providing such a festive atmosphere. We also thank our senior high school food service staff for providing the meals in addition to the 1,200 students they served for lunch!

Give Pack

In the 2013-2014 school year, nearly 1,000 K - 12 students from economically disadvantaged families in the Seneca Valley School District were in need of essential school supplies to be properly equipped for the school year. The Seneca Valley School District partnered with Victory Family Church to help ensure that economically disadvantaged students each received a new backpack filled with supplies. The program celebrated its third year in existence in 13-14, and is set to be an annual giving event.
transportation

Miles our buses travel/day - **12,000**
Number of buses contracted with our district - **155**
Number of buses that transport students - **111**

food service

From August to June, for the 2013-14 school year, the Seneca Valley Food Service Department served **627,752** meals district-wide!
Students, grades K-12, are offered 5 different meal options daily, including unlimited amounts of fruits and vegetables.

size

The Seneca Valley School District covers **100** square miles and includes Cranberry, Forward, Jackson and Lancaster townships, and Callery, Evans City, Harmony, Seven Fields and Zelienople boroughs.

buildings & grounds

The District consists of **9** buildings totaling **1,231,312** square feet.
The District facilities sit on a total of **177** acres.
Total Classrooms District-Wide: **497**

worldwide

Over the past four years, we have had students attend our schools from 27 different countries, including United Arab Emirates (UAE), Brazil, China, Belgium, England, India, Mexico, Honduras, Poland, Spain, Australia, Taiwan, Germany, South Korea, Sweden, Canada, Dominican Republic, Philippines, Russia, Ukraine, Puerto Rico, Serbia, South Africa, Italy, England, Greece and Czechoslovakia.

history

The groundbreaking ceremony for the school in **1962** was attended by several Seneca Native Americans, including a chief from New York.
Fall Season – 2013

Cross Country, Boys
Overall Boys Record: 4-4
• Boys team finished 5th in WPIAL’s
• Brett Foster and Tanner Quiggle were PIAA qualifiers

Cross Country, Girls
• Overall Girls Record: 8-0
• Section Champions
• Girls team finished 2nd in WPIAL’s
• Girls team qualified for PIAA’s and finished 4th
• Mariah Mack medaled at PIAA’s

Football
• Overall Record: 9-2
• Northern Eight Conference runner-up
• WPIAL Quarterfinalist

Golf, Boys
• Overall Record: 8-7

Golf, Girls
• Overall Record: 8-6

Soccer, Boys
• Overall Record: 15-3-1
• Section 2 Champion with undefeated 12-0 mark
• WPIAL Quarterfinalist

Soccer, Girls
• Overall Record: 20-3-1
• Section 2 Champion
• WPIAL Champion
• PIAA Semi-finalist

Tennis, Girls
• Overall Record: 10-7

Volleyball, Girls
• Overall Record: 15-5
• WPIAL 5th place finish
Athletics continued

Winter Season – 2013-14

Basketball, Boys
- Overall Record: 12-11
- WPIAL Qualifier

Basketball, Girls
- Overall Record: 10-13
- WPIAL Qualifier

Swimming, Boys
- Overall Record: 7-5
- PIAA Qualifiers
  - Jake Fausti (50 freestyle, 200 free relay, 400 free relay)
  - Michael Palaski (200 free relay, 400 free relay)
  - Michael Rhein (200 free relay, 400 free relay)
  - Spencer Tretter (200 free, 500 free, 200 free relay, 400 free relay)

Swimming, Girls
- Overall Record: 6-5-1
- PIAA Qualifiers
  - Carley Belsterling (100 breast)
  - Ali Kozlina (50 free, 100 free – 15th in state)

Baseball
- Overall Record: 12-12
- WPIAL Champion
- PIAA Semi-finalist

Lacrosse, Girls
- Overall Record: 9-8
- WPIAL Qualifier

Softball
- Overall Record: 13-3
- Section Champion
- WPIAL Qualifier

Tennis, Boys
- Overall Record: 5-12

Track & Field, Boys
- Overall Record: 4-3
- WPIAL Medalists
  - Bradley Banks, 2nd place – 400m
  - Brett Foster, 4th place – 800m
  - Michael Kolor, 4th place – 1600m
  - 4x400 Relay, 6th place – Joe DeAugustino, Bradley Banks, Michael Kolor, Brett Foster
  - 4x800 Relay, 2nd place – Michael Kolor, Tanner Quiggle, Bryce Benjamin, Brett Foster
- PIAA Qualifiers & Medalists
  - Bradley Banks, 400m
  - Brett Foster, 800m
  - Michael Kolor, 1600m
  - 4x800 Relay, 8th place - Michael Kolor, Tanner Quiggle, Bryce Benjamin, Brett Foster

Track & Field, Girls
- Overall Record: 4-3
- WPIAL Medalists
  - Katie Gutmann, 5th place – 300m hurdles
  - Rachel Hensler, 8th place – 3200m
  - Angela Mignanelli, 3rd place – 3200m
  - Becky Paine, 8th place – 1600m
- PIAA Qualifier
  - Angela Mignanelli, 3200m

Wrestling
- Overall Record: 12-8
- WPIAL Team Qualifier
- WPIAL Individual Qualifiers
  - Austin Leon, Section champion
  - Alex Lynch, Section, 3rd place
  - Ben Lynch, Section 2nd place
  - Tyler Miller, Section 3rd place
  - Stephen Rudolph, Section 3rd place

Swimming, Boys
- Overall Record: 7-5
- PIAA Qualifiers
  - Jake Fausti (50 freestyle, 200 free relay, 400 free relay)
  - Michael Palaski (200 free relay, 400 free relay)
  - Michael Rhein (200 free relay, 400 free relay)
  - Spencer Tretter (200 free, 500 free, 200 free relay, 400 free relay)

Swimming, Girls
- Overall Record: 6-5-1
- PIAA Qualifiers
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  - Ali Kozlina (50 free, 100 free – 15th in state)

Spring Season – 2014

Track & Field, Girls
- Overall Record: 4-3
- WPIAL Qualifiers
  - Katie Gutmann, 5th place – 300m hurdles
  - Rachel Hensler, 8th place – 3200m
  - Angela Mignanelli, 3rd place – 3200m
  - Becky Paine, 8th place – 1600m
- PIAA Qualifier
  - Angela Mignanelli, 3200m

Volleyball, Boys
- Overall Record: 9-7
- WPIAL Quarterfinalist

To follow Seneca Valley Athletics on Twitter, go to: https://twitter.com/SV_Sports

I would like to take a few moments to congratulate our school board on the outstanding work that is being done in our schools. I have subbed in the 5th, and 6th grade at Evans City and at each of the secondary campus schools.

I am overwhelmed at the quality of work that is being introduced and taught to our students. I am extremely pleased and proud of the work that is being done by our teachers and administrators. It makes me proud to be an SV alumni and a retired educator from Seneca Valley School District.

Thanks you for your continued hard work and support in making this one of the very best school districts anywhere.

- Mr. Wayne Roccia
We thank our many 13-14 donors for their support of the Seneca Valley Foundation

The Seneca Valley Foundation is a private, 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation dedicated to encouraging excellence and innovation in the Seneca Valley Schools. The Foundation will achieve this by seeking donations and patrons to facilitate the development of new capital projects, programs and scholarships. Its board members will consist of stakeholders from local business leaders, community leaders and school leaders.

As a non-profit organization, the Foundation is also utilized as a vehicle by which memorial and other charitable donations may be made to the Seneca Valley School District. In addition, the Seneca Valley Foundation will provide several scholarships to underprivileged children in the Seneca Valley School District.

The Seneca Valley Foundation estimates that individual and corporate donations totaled nearly $75,000 in the 2013-14 school year, with more than $200,000 raised since the Foundation inception in 2011. We thank the following individuals for their 2013-14 donations and their “Gift of Hope, Promise of Excellence.”

**Founding Member ($1,000+):**
Mr. Jim Pearson  
Mr. David and Mrs. Kathleen Cashdollar

**Foundation Fellow Level ($500-$999):**
Ms. Lynn Burtner  
Mr. Anthony Conti — Seneca Valley Class of 1998  
Ms. Heather Lewis

**Foundation Patron Level ($100-$499):**
Ms. Elizabeth Allen-Boyle  
Anonymous  
Anonymous  
Anonymous in honor of Mr. Joe Rubaker and Mrs. Chrystal Zinkham  
Mr. Robert Cook  
Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Nannette Farmar  
Mary Ann Graziano  
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**Foundation Friend Level ($50-$74):**
Ms. Cassandra Doggrell  
Ms. Rozann Lamberto  
Ms. Patricia M. Smith  
Mr. Clint Weltner  
Mr. Robert S. Raso

**Additional Donors ($5-$49):**
Ms. Julie Kaufman  
Ms. Debbie McDermott  
Ms. Katie Rengers  
Mr. Gregory and Mrs. Laura Fox  
Ms. Erin Daschbach  
Ms. Carol A. Kristufek

**Honoree Level ($25+ given in honor of a Seneca Valley Teacher/Student or Community Member):**
Seneca Valley Family and Consumer Science Department in honor of retired teachers Peg Mauro, Sally Measel, Lee Pyle and Mary Jo Nock  
Ms. Katherine A. Miller in honor of Mr. Dan McKosky, teacher  
Ms. Natalie C. Miller in honor of Mr. Seth Verba, teacher

**Memorial Level (Any memorial donation):**
Mr. Rob and Ms. Priscilla Bhave in memory of Dennis H. Cartwright  
Mr. Dean and Mrs. Sally Berkebile in memory of Dennis H. Cartwright  
Mr. James and Mrs. Rebecca White in memory of Dennis H. Cartwright  
Mr. Robert and Mrs. Cynthia Yates in memory of Dennis H. Cartwright  
Mr. Robert Jr. and Mrs. Melanie Golden in memory of Dennis H. Cartwright  
Mr. Charles Krivanek in memory of Daniel Murray and Ruth Krivanek  
Mr. Brian and Mrs. Linda Heery in memory of Mrs. Thelma Jordan  
Ms. Christine Thayer-Miller in memory of Mr. Samuel J. Thayer, Sr.

**Seneca Valley Foundation Board of Trustees**
Seneca Valley Middle school Art Teacher and “Art Madness” Painter George Williams creates a masterpiece of Pittsburgh Penguins Mario Lemieux and Sidney Crosby during the 2014 Seneca Social. Mr. Williams donated two paintings that were auctioned off during the annual fundraising event.
A Successful ‘Drive’
SV Foundation’s Inaugural golf outing raises $15,000

Our motto says it all – “The gift of hope, the promise of excellence.” However, as with any student effort, we can’t do it alone.

The Seneca Valley Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation dedicated to encouraging excellence and innovation in the Seneca Valley Schools, was pleased to host its inaugural golf outing on August 20, 2013, raising $15,000 that will facilitate the development of student scholarships, elementary and secondary programs and new capital projects.

“With every new donation, the opportunities to improve our district open wider,” said Dr. Tracy Vitale, Seneca Valley Superintendent and Foundation Executive Director. “The more our community gives to the Foundation, the more our Foundation can do for our schools, and that is an incredible gift to give to children, to families and to the community.

We thank our event sponsors for their support.

Gold Sponsors:
· ComDoc
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· Butler County Tourism & Convention Bureau
· Concensus Technologies
· Foreman Architects, Engineers & Construction Managers
· Highmark
· Re/Max Select Realty
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Seneca Social brings in more than $20,000 for Seneca Valley Foundation

On May 8, 2014, the Seneca Valley Foundation raised approximately $21,000 during the Seneca Social fundraising event.

Sunny skies and pleasant temperatures were the perfect backdrop to an evening filled with silent auction items, live music, performance art, great food and fun networking.

All proceeds from the event will be applied to encouraging excellence and innovation in the Seneca Valley School District. Specifically, the Foundation Board of Trustees is establishing plans to apply foundation proceeds to student scholarships, classroom projects, extracurricular uniforms/equipment and more.

We would like to recognize and thank the many individuals and organizations who donated goods, services and/or financial assistance for the Social. Your generosity speaks volumes about your commitment to children and public education.
In the fall of 2013, the Seneca Valley Foundation received notification that they were approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development under the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program to which businesses may make contributions. Specifically, EITC donations were approved to be made to the Seneca Valley School District to benefit the Honors Women in Engineering classes at Seneca Valley. Called an “innovative educational program,” the course utilizes various equipment, experimental/consumable supplies and has associated salary costs the donations will help to offset.

Those who gave EITC tax credit donations to the Seneca Valley Honors Women in Engineering Program through the Seneca Valley Foundation are:

- NexTier Bank - $15,000
- Farmers National Bank - $2,500
- Mars National Bank - $1,000

To follow The Seneca Valley Foundation on Twitter, go to: https://twitter.com/SVSDFoundation

Levels of Giving

For those giving to the Seneca Valley Foundation, you will be recognized in the Honor Roll of Donors in the Foundation Annual Report. These are the levels:

**Individual Levels of Giving:**
- Friend - $50 - $74
- Partner - $75 - $99
- Patron - $100 - $499
- Fellow - $500 - $1000

**Corporate Levels of Giving:**
- Blue Level - $500 - $999
- Black Level - $1,000 - $3,999
- Arrow Level - $4,000 - $6,999
- Raider Level - $7,000 - $9,999
- Seneca Level - $10,000 +

**Legacy Giving:**

Legacy Raider - $2,500+/year
Legacy Raiders must commit to three years of annual giving to receive the following for their generous donor commitment:

- For corporations/businesses - one complimentary quarter-page ad in the annual report (circulation to 16,000 homes and businesses in the Seneca Valley School District Community)
- Recognition on the SV Foundation web page (with business link, if applicable)
- Introductory listing in the Foundation Agenda
- Name (with business link, if applicable), for six months (six issues) in the Seneca Valley electronic newsletter
- Opportunity to be listed as a sponsor of one District Educational Workshop
- For corporations/businesses – business/corporate logo placement on all SV Foundation invitations
- Invitations to all Foundation programs

Additional Programs for Giving:

**Alumni Race:** Seneca Valley Graduates are invited to join their fellow classmates in an ongoing competition to see which class can donate the most. For $50, you can join the alumni race and we will add you to the growing list of alumni who are giving back.

- Join today and move your graduation year to the head of the class.

**Honoree:** The Seneca Valley Foundation is pleased to announce a program to honor students and educators in this community. At any time of the year, you can honor a teacher, administrator or student through a tax-deductible contribution of $25 or more to the Seneca Valley Foundation. A donation to the Foundation is a meaningful way to say “thank you” for many occasions.

- Name of honoree: ________________________________

**Memorial:** A memorial donation to the Foundation is a wonderful way to remember someone who made Seneca Valley School District an integral part of their life.

- Name of person being memorialized: ________________________________

Please make checks payable to: Seneca Valley Foundation and mail to: c/o Lynn Burtner, Foundation Treasurer 124 Seneca School Rd., Harmony, Pa. 16037

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The Board of School Directors passed the 2013-14 general operating budget for the Seneca Valley School District in June 2013.

The bottom line of the budget is requiring a millage increase of 2.75 mills for a current millage rate of 112.75. A home with a market value of $150,000 will pay approximately $57 more in taxes per year—or $5 a month more—with the millage increase.

The board has and will continue to focus on reducing spending and finding new revenue streams while pursuing cost avoidance efforts. The budget helps, in part, to support ongoing technology and curriculum improvements and maintains our district facilities, including the enhancement of building security features.

The development and final adoption of the budget is a very detailed and complex process for which the board of school directors is responsible by state law per Section 679 of the Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949. The final document is a product that was developed with the cooperation and effort of the board, administration and staff.

The process and final budget provides for the best education possible for our students as well as sensitivity to the burden of expense on the local taxpayer.

School Board Meeting Information
The agenda development (work session) meetings are typically held at 8 p.m. on the first Monday of each month, and the regular action board meeting is typically held at 8 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. These meetings are open to the public and allow for public comment.

Meetings may be moved to accommodate a holiday. For more information, contact the board secretary at (724) 452-6040, ext. 1638.

If you require special accommodations to participate in the proceedings, please call Ms. Kyra Bobak, human resources and pupil personnel director, at (724) 452-6040, ext. 1760 or via email at bobakka@svsd.net.

School Board meeting agendas and minutes can be found on the school district Web site at www.svsd.net/school_board. Please note that board meeting minutes must be approved at the next month’s meeting before they can be posted.

“We are very blessed to have a hardworking, budget conscious board that has our children’s best interests in mind! Thanks to all of you for your hard work!”

- A Seneca Valley Parent and frequent visitor at School Board meetings
Six Seneca Valley students were chosen to perform as part of the 2014 Pennsylvania Music Educator Association’s (PMEA) All-State Choir. One of the largest Seneca Valley groups to ever attend state chorus, each student had to first make it through district and regional chorus auditions made up of schools in Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Mercer, Allegheny, Washington and Westmorland counties. Back row, from left: Josh Baktay, Lance Hahn and David Osorno. Front row, from left: Ellie Lahm, Lauren Ottaviani and Hayley Ross. More student headlines and news can be found at www.svsd.net
In the 2013-14 school year, members of the Evans City PTO paid for the replacement and installation of playground equipment at the school. This parent/teacher organization was able to cover the $18,000 cost through various fundraisers, including its signature fall fundraiser, book fairs and parent donations. We can’t do it alone. And thanks to our many parent volunteer groups, we don’t have to!
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Social Matters

Facebook Edition

See what people are saying about Seneca Valley. These are responses found on Facebook posts from the past year:

Brenda Rumpler Psenick Proud of all our Seneca Valley Athletes!!!!
Unlike · Reply · 3 · October 8, 2013 at 10:23pm

Gwendolyn Schlick This is an awesome school! So glad my children get to experience going here!
Like · Reply · 3 · June 6 at 5:11pm

Trina Eddinger Loesch Thank You all for a great school year and for all you do for our kids.
Like · Reply · 2 · May 20 at 11:54am

Holly Dillon As a former Seneca grad and Concert Choir member Seneca still has a great music program. Congrats to all.
Like · Reply · May 11 at 11:14am

Shauna Michelle Antoszyk I love the fact that the district does a lot of community service!
Like · Reply · March 7 at 3:27pm

Trey PsnModz Darak - This entire district has my newfound respect. Yesterday after a chorus rehearsal I forgot my chorus binder on the activity bus. I’m not sure how, but when I walked onto the bus after school that day, my bus driver hands me my binder. Somebody in the system is running it with an EXTREME amount of amazing professionalism and grace. Thank you for the amazing help!

To find Seneca Valley on Facebook, go to:
http://www.facebook.com/pages/Seneca-Valley-School-District-Official-District-Site/13310586672717
Twitter Edition
See what people are posting about Seneca Valley. These are Tweets from the past year:

@Garberacon Nov 14
Thanks @Seneca_Valley for helping Cranberry rank in top #Pgh suburbs!

@JuliaLopez Nov 7
I have never been so proud of being part of @Seneca_Valley
youtu.be/j2xv12H48JU
#SVLIPDUB

@JustMath Oct 19
Congrats, @Seneca_Valley for setting a district record for the # of students earning Advanced Placement #AP awards!
pic.twitter.com/2vO7wzAqWI

@IronCityMarines Mar 26
Thanks to @Seneca_Valley High School we were able to have our Family night at a great location! Wonderful staff that assisted us as well.

@RebeccaCissel @Roswell
I saw amazing things today at CVE @Seneca_Valley with BYOT. Saw QR codes used in K, 2nd and 4th grade.
#edtech

@WilliamBertoni Jul 7
Awesome group! @churchhillsellinois @Seneca_Valley
@ber_@reece @bguymth @yellowbrickroad pic.twitter.com/998YyRinl

To follow Seneca Valley on Twitter, go to: https://twitter.com/Seneca_Valley

To find Seneca Valley on YouTube, go to: http://www.youtube.com/user/SenecaValleySD
Students, staff, parents and community members participate in Haine Middle School’s Annual Multicultural Day at the school. This event is also held at Evans City Middle School.

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