

# The Emerald

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## HOMECOMING COURT

2015



Top Row: Kennedy Barlund, Aubrey Case, Molly Boles, Kailey Jackson, & Sarah Caley.  
Bottom Row: Bailey Huff, Franstasia Jamierson, Hannah Stevens, Kate DeOliveira, & Dayna Allen.

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# Homecoming 2015

## Dress up Days

Marissa Owens '16

Every year we show off our school spirit by dressing up in crazy outfits for spirit week. Students dress up during spirit week to compete for the most points for their grade and teachers join in to try to beat the students! Monday was Class Color Day, Tuesday was Toga Day, Wednesday was Camo Day, Thursday was Rocker Day and Friday was Spirit Day. Seniors won Class Color Day, Freshmen won Toga and Camo days, Juniors won Rocker Day and Spirit Day. Overall, Juniors took home the Spirit Cup from the games that they won and their fence decoration. Seniors came in second, Freshmen in third and Sophomores in fourth. Go PANTHERS!!!!

*The Junior class worked exceptionally hard to capture this year's Homecoming Spirit Trophy. More junior students gave more effort this year than ever before! - Mr. McCafferty, Junior Class Advisor*

First Place: Juniors



Second Place: Seniors



Third Place: Freshmen



Fourth Place: Sophomores



## Homecoming Game

Makayla Packer '19

Pennfield did an awesome job playing Northwest on homecoming, the score was Pennfield 55 and Northwest 00. Grant Petersen led the effort for Pennfield, rushing for 84 yards and a score on just six carries to go with a 30-yard touchdown. Not only did Grant Petersen get a touchdown but so did Troy Hinds, Pennfield's running back. It only took 37 seconds for Pennfield to get their 15 yard touchdown. Grant Petersen picked off a pass at the 30-yard line and took it to the house to give Pennfield an early 14-0 lead. Sophomore running back, Troy Hinds found a corner and used his speed down the sideline to run in for a 42-yard touchdown to help Pennfield build a 28-0 lead. With 1:52 remaining in the first half, Sophomore running back, Sam Nichols ended the rout with a 1-yard touchdown run with 7:23 remaining in regulation. Grant Petersen added a 33-yard reception to his 84 rushing yards, Troy Hinds finished with five carries for 71 yards. The Pennfield defense was led by Sam Nichols and senior Collin Prideaux with five tackles a piece. Great game guys!



Monday: Class Color



Tuesday: Toga Day



Wednesday: Camo Day



Thursday: Rock Star Day



Friday: Spirit Day



Congratulations to our 2015 Homecoming Queen, Dayna Allen.

# Panther Life

**Remember..**

Dilan Biggerstaff '19  
"When Zack Stiles tipped over a chair."

Mavrick Sayles '19  
"Taking a video of Brendan Pond messing with his shirt."

RJ Crosslan '18  
"In Mr. Bowen's class."

Lucy Webb '18  
"In Mrs. Schneiderhan's class when she tells us stories."

James Buckmaster '17  
"Someone kicked and shattered the light in gym."

Taylor Gwynne '16  
"Seeing people fall up the stairs."

**When?...**

Camarie Smith '16

**Freshmen**

Dilan Hoffman '16  
"Don't get bullied."

Brandon Anders '16  
"Study and get good grades."

Fran Jamieron '16  
"Don't trust everyone that says they're your friend."

Nick Staib '16  
"Get good grades and lift weights."

**Advice**

Avari Dayton '16

Jayson LaPorte '16  
"Lift weights, get dates, drink protein shakes."

Katie Canfield '16  
"Don't fool around, get good grades and make the best of yourself."

Kailey Jackson '16  
"Don't rush to grow up, when you do you'll wish you were young again."

Collin Prideaux '16  
"Stay ahead on school work and work hard and everything will pay off."

**Best Summer Memory 2015**

Makayla Packer '19

Andrew Charmeda '18  
"When I went to Taco Bell with my squad. I liked it because it gave us time to talk, chill and also taco bell is bae."

Montell Wiggins '16  
"Practicing football."

Brittany Packer  
"Went to cedar point."

William "Bubby" Rose '17  
"When I went up to Baldwin the weekend before school started."

**New Staff**

Camarie Smith '16

As with every year there are new changes. This year the changes are to the staff. If you go in the library in the morning and see someone new, it might be the new part time librarian that has started here at Pennfield. Mrs. Troutman enjoys working in the library and is also the part time athletic secretary. Before she came to the high school she worked at North Penn, she decided to come to the high school because she heard the food was better. Mr. Hermann, originally from Colorado, has lived many different places but for the past 14 years he was a middle school counselor in Allegan. He decided to come to Pennfield when he was at a crossroads and decided to continue being a counselor. He has been enjoying working with the students saying "so far it's going great." Mrs. Treadway is one of the newest editions to our schools staff. Before she moved back to Michigan she taught in West Virginia for eight years, during those eight years one of them was spent teaching social studies. Her family and her came back because they really liked the area and Pennfield also has a great reputation. She now teaches 9th grade Civics/Economics, 11th grade English and 12th grade English, as well as some middle school classes. She loves meeting new students and faculty. When she was going to college she had fabulous professors that made her want to become a teacher.

Mrs. Troutman      Mr. Hermann      Mrs. Treadway

**Goodbye, Mr. Faber**

Marissa Owens '16

Mr. Faber moved to Dunlap Elementary school to become the principal and Mr. Thomas took over as assistant principal. I talked to Mr. Faber and he said, "Being the principal means I will spend more time on curriculum, representing the building at district and community gatherings, and ultimately being the one who has to answer for what learning is taking place in the building. I will miss the interaction with high school students and some of the positive working relationships I developed with so many of the students. There were certain students I saw each morning as I stood by the door, others I interacted with at lunch, and others I worked with on a regular basis. Go Panthers!" Mrs. Royer jokingly said she will miss hiding from Mr. Faber in the morning so that she could dodge subbing. She also said, "Mr. Faber was a great person to work for. He was always helpful and had great ideas." We will miss you Mr. Faber! You have always been the best.

**Hello, Mr. Thomas**

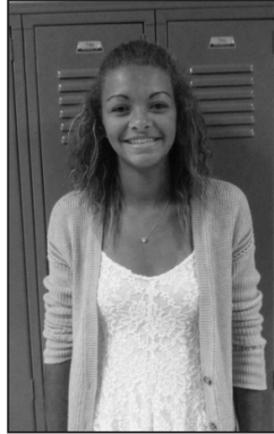
Camarie Smith '16

This year we have a new assistant principal joining us. Mr. Thomas has been at the middle school for the past four years. This year he has decided to join us at the high school. I talked to Mr. Thomas about being the assistant principal, what he likes about his job and what he expects from the students and staff. Mr. Thomas said, "I taught at the high school level for 10 years and I like the relationship with the students. I enjoy kids maturity, making good choices and preparation for the future." When asked about student success, Mr. Thomas said, "The success is up to the students, and they have the opportunities to be successful." When asked about his expectations of students and teachers, he said, "I expect students to be responsible, respectful, and give the best effort in the classroom, and after school activities and expect the teachers to encourage the students in learning and build a good relationship with students."

# SPORTS

## Football and Volleyball Captains Avari Dayton '16

Alexa Stephenson-  
"I love my team! We plan to have a good record and make it far in districts. We have the potential to be great and do great things together as a team."



Molly Boles-  
"I'm very excited for this season. My team has a lot of potential. One of our goals is to win districts. I plan on pushing as hard as I can do to our best."



Kailey Jackson-  
"I love my team! I couldn't ask for a better group of girls to play with! Practice like you play and no excuses! We would like to make it to Kellogg Arena."



Kennedy Barlund-  
"I don't want us to play as a team but as a family. To show them that I believe in them."

Michael Davis-  
"I'm going to push my team harder at practice and be a good influence on and off the field."



Justin Lamb- "Last year was a huge disappointment for our team. As a captain I plan to influence my team to work to their absolute limits and strive to win every single game. I want to make my senior year of football my best yet."



Carter Needham-  
"I am very excited for the rest of this season. I hope to make play-offs and go past districts. Couldn't ask for a better group of guys, I've been playing with them since 3rd grade."

# Halloween

## Gingerbread Pumpkin Trifle Diana Dalski '18



**Ingredients:**  
1/2 cup shortening  
1/3 cup sugar  
1 cup molasses  
1 egg  
2-1/3 cups all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon ground ginger  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
3/4 cup hot water  
**FILLING/TOPPING:**  
2 cups cold milk  
1 package (3.4 ounces) instant vanilla pudding mix  
1 can (15 ounces) solid-pack pumpkin  
1/2 cup packed brown sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
2 cups heavy whipping cream  
1/3 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon rum extract

**Directions:**  
In a large bowl, cream shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in molasses and egg. Combine the flour, baking soda, ginger, cinnamon and salt; add to creamed mixture alternately with water, beating well after each addition.

Pour into a greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking pan. Bake at 350° for 25-30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool on a wire rack. Cut gingerbread into 1/2-in. to 1-in. cubes; set aside.

In a large bowl, whisk milk and pudding mix for 2 minutes. Let stand for 2 minutes or until soft-set. Combine the pumpkin, brown sugar, vanilla and cinnamon; stir into pudding. In another bowl, beat cream until it begins to thicken. Add sugar and extract; beat until stiff peaks form.

Set aside 1/4 cup gingerbread cubes. In a 4-qt. trifle bowl or glass serving bowl, layer a third of the remaining gingerbread cubes; top with a third of the pumpkin mixture and whipped cream. Repeat layers twice. Crumble reserved gingerbread; sprinkle over top. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour before serving. Yield: 16 servings.

## HALLOWEEN WORD SCRAMBLE

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| 2. pealsp    | 12. ctxinemtee   |
| 3. tanuum    | 13. satrnkneniFe |
| 4. tbsa      | 14. ifhengtr     |
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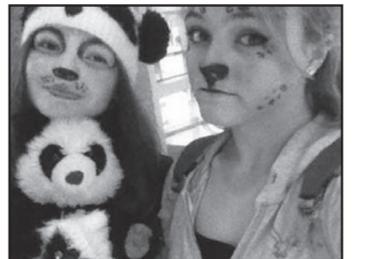
First 5 student to bring the answers to Mrs. Royer, get a free caramel apple sucker!



"The Gingerbread Pumpkin Trifle was really delicious. I would have to say that there was a bit too much pumpkin flavor. But, if you like pumpkin, it's for you. All in all, it was tasty." Marissa Owens

## New Halloween Costumes of 2015 Diana Dalski '18

Wondering what new costumes are new this year? There are tons of new costumes being sold in Halloween stores. For women, there are a few new popular costumes. There are many new Disney related costumes available this year, including the following characters: Elsa, Anna, Maleficent, Cruella De Vil and many others. There is a variety of new superhero costumes, such as: Harley Quinn, Ant-Man, Black Widow, Groot, Supergirl, Iron Man and many more. Also, a fairly popular new costume is the Minion from Despicable Me. For men, there are also some interesting new costumes. There are many new Star Wars themed costumes, for instance: Darth Vader, Kylo Ren and Stormtroopers. So, what costume will you be wearing for Halloween?



Isabell Price and Melissa Lint Halloween 2014

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Ernie Lahusky

Bronze \$10

## Hallway Challenger

“I am not alive nor am I dead  
I hate fire and I am green  
I have an abnormally  
large head  
And once you see me  
I cannot be unseen.  
Who am I?”



Laura Dunkelberger  
'17  
Zombie



Isaac Beach  
'19  
Lochness Monster



★ Collin Prideaux  
'16  
Frankenstein



Elizabeth Byrd  
'18  
Zombie



Nickolas Hohnberger  
'18  
Earth



Bryce Irizarry  
'17  
Weeds (as in valueless plants)

Correct Answer:  
Frankenstein

## PHS STAFF TEAM BUILDING

PHS staff is competing in the Plant Pot Challenge. In Phase one, teams had to show their creativity by decorating their pot. The winner of phase 1 was the MATH group, team basil!

In Phase 2 the teams will plant and nurture their seeds to life utilizing the greenhouse. Teams will be judged on the vitality, growth, health, and appearance of their plant. Students will again select the winner by voting with monetary support (staff can sweeten the pot), money collected will be donated to the Pennfield Lions Club Community Christmas basket.

### Competing Teams:

- Team Carrot
- Team Radish
- Team Sweet Pepper
- Team Bean
- Team Chive
- Team Pea

