

# HISTORY HAPPENINGS

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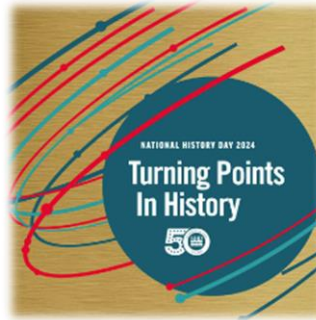
## Department Teacher Spotlight:

**Mr. Wagner – AP Seminar, AP Research, AP U.S. History  
Carlisle High School – McGowan Building**

Mr. Wagner has been teaching for 27 years – all of it in the Carlisle Area School District. He has been the social studies program supervisor for CASD since 2005. Mr. Wagner received his undergraduate degree from Messiah University and holds a masters degree in educational leadership from Shippensburg University. He says his favorite thing about teaching mostly upperclassroom is being able to hold some deep and interesting conversations about real-world issues that connect to classroom experiences. That, coupled with seeing them just on the cusp of moving into adulthood. In terms of his favorite items about teaching his courses, there are too many ways to mention. He loves to find clever and creative ways to attract students in studying history and to develop a passion for wanting to learn more. For Seminar and Research, seeing how ingenious students can become when tackling a problem or issue they are so interested in researching. A fun fact for Mr. Wagner is that he loves to travel the world, having been to most all of Europe, Asia, and just last summer Peru to start checking off all the South American countries. Students might be surprised to learn that Mr. Wagner actually student taught at CHS in 1995 before earning his teaching degree, and that he has been doing Model UN for 35 years (since high school)! If he could be a superhero, he would be Dr. Strange because he has the ability to manipulate time and travel interdimensionally. Who does not want to go back and try to right the wrongs or mistakes they have made!



## CASD Local History Day Competition



On Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> over 200 students and 120 projects were on display and being judged in the Local History Day competition. From exhibits and websites to documentaries and papers, students showed their historical knowledge or a selected topic using this year's theme "Turning Points in History." A listing of all the winners can be found at the end of the newsletter. These students are now competing in the Regional History Day competition at Messiah University on March 2<sup>nd</sup> to see if they can advance to the state competition in April and eventually the national competition in June at the University of Maryland. And this is a BIG year for the NHD program, as they celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We wish all our students the best of luck during the competitions!

# THANK YOU!

A special THANK YOU to the following groups and organizations that were a part of the judging staff to help interview and rank the winners. Along with the social studies teachers, we could not have done it without their help and assistance!

- CASD Board of Education members
- Cumberland County Historical Society
- Rotary Club members
- U.S. Army War College staff
- And a host of other community members

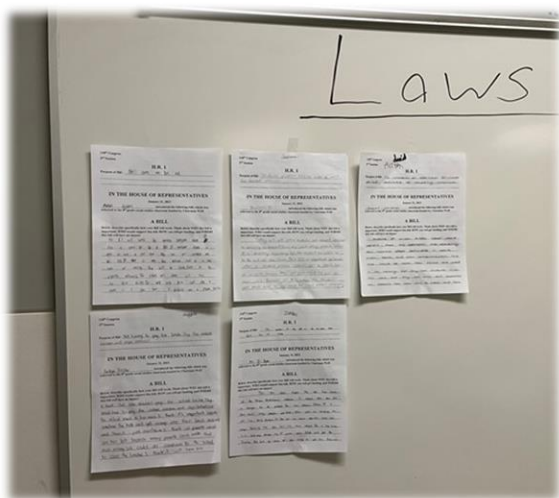


## Department Happenings: What's Going on in Our S.S. Classrooms?

### Mr. Wolf's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade U.S. History Classes – WMS

During students' study of the Constitution, Mr. Wolf asks his students to brainstorm items in their school, community, state, etc. that they believe need to be changed or improved.

Students then wrote a formal bill on their topic which they proposed to "Congress." The majority of students were in the House, about a quarter of the class was in the Senate, and there was a student elected president. Classes held discussion, made amendments, and voted on numerous bills throughout the day. The students were really tough, and the combined classes only had five bills get passed into law all day!



## Carlisle Organization Spotlight:

### Fort Ligonier Leadership Institute: Genesis of Leadership

Fort Ligonier is partnering with the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center to offer a leadership seminar for a select group of young adults (15-25) with the theme of a young George Washington. Taking place on June 8, 2024, at Fort Ligonier, the program places students in the shoes of the young Virginian colonel and allows them to walk in his footsteps. Focusing on his time during the French and Indian War, students will hear traditional lectures of the most up-to-date scholarship, read the literature of the time, and be immersed in the life of Washington regarding his successes and failures throughout the 1750's. Students can apply online by clicking [HERE](#).



### Knowledge for Freedom Seminar – Dickinson College

The House Divided Project at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, will be hosting a free two-week summer program for rising high school seniors that focuses on great historical texts about citizenship and democracy. The Knowledge for Freedom seminar will be held from July 14-26, 2024, and offers an exciting curriculum designed to help get participants college-ready and to support them as they enter the college admissions process. Previous participants have been accepted at some of the nation's most highly selective colleges and universities including not only Dickinson, but also George Washington, Johns Hopkins, Williams, and Yale, to name just a few. And practically everyone who has participated in the program so far testifies to the life-changing impact of this experience, which includes field trips to Gettysburg and Washington, DC as well as the opportunity to earn college credit.



**Everything about the experience is free.**

The application process is also easy, but students should begin soon as the deadline is **May 31**. Preference will be given to students from lower-income or first-generation college families, but any rising high school senior in the south-central Pennsylvania region can apply. Get details about how to apply on the seminar website by clicking [HERE](#).

## For the Month of March

The name March is ultimately derived from the Latin word Martius (named after Mars, the Roman god of war). Martius was the name of the first month in the original Roman calendar. Along with January, May, and June, March is one of several months named after a god.

The Roman ruler, Numa Pompilius, is traditionally credited with adding January and February to the calendar, thus making March the third month of the year. While many have adopted this calendar (the Gregorian calendar), some cultures and religions still celebrate the start of the new year on March 1.

### **“Everyone Knows March’s Way”**

Every one knows March's way,  
Rushing, blowing, night and day,  
Rushing, blowing, day and night,  
Not a single flower in sight,  
Not a bud upon a tree,  
But wait until the end and see  
When March is packed at last to go,  
Every twig will start to grow—  
All in a trice, before you know.  
- Annette Wynne

### **Fun Days in March:**

- March 11 – Johnny Appleseed Day
- March 12 – Girl Scouts Day
- March 14 – Popcorn Lovers’ Day
- March 18 – Awkward Moments Day
- March 25 – International Waffle Day
- March 30 – Tak a Walk in the Park Day
- March 31 – National Crayon Day

### **March is also:**

- Irish American Heritage Month
- Music in Our Schools Month
- Frozen Foods Month
- Peanut Month
- Red Cross Month
- Social Workers Month
- Women’s History Month

### **Some Historical Events...**

- 3/5/1770 – Boston Massacre occurs showing the deteriorating relationship between the colonies and Great Britain.
- 3/1/1789 – Articles of Confederation officially become the law of the land after MD ratifies.
- 3/1918 – the Spanish Flu shows up in the U.S. for the first time (infects 27% of world population).

- 3/4/1933 – FDR delivers his inaugural address with the famous line “the only thing we have to fear is...fear itself...”
- 3/24/1934 – the Philippines becomes an independent country after being a colony of the U.S. since the Spanish-American War.
- 3/5/1946 – Churchill makes his famous speech – “an iron curtain has descended across the continent” ushering in the Cold War.
- 3/1/1961 – President Kennedy signs Executive Order 10924 establishing the Peace Corps.
- 3/28/1979 – a nuclear reactor from TMI in Harrisburg experiences a partial core meltdown resulting in a radiation leak.
- 3/30/1981 – John Hinckley, Jr. attempts to assassinate President Ronald Reagan outside the Washington, D.C. Hilton.
- 3/19/2003 – the U.S. launches its first attack in Iraq to remove Saddam Hussein.

## **HISTORY DAY WINNERS ARE BELOW**



### **JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL EXHIBIT**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Bailey Clayville – “Battle of the Sexes: How One Match Challenged Gender Roles in Sports”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Neja Becirovic – “Attack on Pearl Harbor”  
HM – Maria Rivera Martinez – “How WWII changed the World”

### **SENIOR INDIVIDUAL EXHIBIT**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Allison Negley – “Banking for Blood”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Reese Campbell – “The Oklahoma City Bombing: The Catalyst for Anti-Terrorism Policy”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Madelyne Metcalf – “An Immortal Miracle: How Henrietta Lacks and Hela Cells Were a Turning Point”  
HM – Michael Brown – “The Peloponnesian War: The Downfall of Athens Led to Spread of Greek Culture”  
HM – Julia Ring – “Grace Banker: Breaking Front Lines”  
HM – Justice Maddox – “Radio Telescopes: Seeing the Unseeable”  
HM – Julia Gregg- Schlitt – “Edward Jenner and How He Changed the World”

### **JUNIOR GROUP EXHIBIT**

- HM – Maya Spease, Stella Anderson, Brinn Eiserman, Tatiannan Chandler, Tayah Felton – “The Holocaust: A Modern-Day Genocide”

### **SENIOR GROUP EXHIBIT**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Jenavieve Thomas, Chevelle Basham – “George Standing Bear’s Outlasting Impact”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Anna Bondy, Charlotte Hull – “The Haitian Revolution: Lasting Impacts”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Averie Redding, Delana KavhnaK – “Freedom on Wheels: How Freedom House Ambulance Services Changed the USA”  
HM – Natalya Kennedy, Summer Kunza – “Mass Production of Penicillin: The Game Changer of WWII”  
HM – Ava McBride, Alyvia McBride – “The Founding of Freedom”

### **JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL MEDIA**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Halen Alwine – “Eugene Shieffelin: The Man and the Starling”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Caleb Cooper – “Battle of Stalingrad”

### **SENIOR INDIVIDUAL MEDIA**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Cameron Shull – “The Most Important Wildlife Protection Statute: The Lacey Act”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Vincent Bratton – “the New Look of Yesterday”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – William Bozicevic – “Nukes: The Paradox of Peace and Destruction”  
HM – Ian Wood – “The Battle of Antietam: Turning Point of the American Civil War”  
HM – Rosie Landis – The Revolutionary Type”

### **SENIOR GROUP MEDIA**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Eileen Wang, Christabelle Kirkham – “How the Indigenous Critique Spawned Progressive Western Sociology”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Kolbin Heberlig, Sawyer Stinchfield, Zack Haney – “The Most Revolutionary Architecture in History”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Gavin Walter, Landon Dunn, Alexander Murkam – “The V-2 Rocket and Its Effects on the Space Race”

### **SENIOR INDIVIDUAL WEBSITE**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Jonas Guy – “The Invention of the Microchip”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Daria Kazemi – “Air Conditioning: The Chill Revolution”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Aubrey Mackey – “The Development of Anesthesia”

### **SENIOR GROUP WEBSITE**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Emily Serafin, Kendall Witman – “Title IX: A New Era for Women”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Will Pippin, Brooks Tumlin – “The Effect of the Dust Bowl on American Agriculture”  
HM – Soren Lantz, Munadil Abdalla, Mason Heiser – “Global Impacts of the Fall of the Berlin Wall”  
HM – Matthew Lopiparo, Xyuen Torres – “The Repercussions of Dropping Fat Man and Little Boy on the World”

### **SENIOR RESEARCH PAPER**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Keegan Spencer – “The First Special Olympics: A Turning Point in the Lives of Everyone with Intellectual Disabilities”  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Landon Spence – “Garry Kasparov vs. Deep Blue: A Turning Point in AI”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Sofia Bottari – “Evolution of Ballet from Europe to America”  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Sera Akkutlu – “Richard Feynman and His Impact on the Atomic Bomb Creation”  
HM – Chase Mixon – “Establishing Lodgment in Normandy”  
HM – Trent Keeler – “Pointe Du Hoc and the Turning of the Tides of WWII”

