



# THE POTTER PULSE

## How You Can Help Preserve a Legacy

Dear Potter Nation,  
 The ELHS Alumni Building (Clock Tower) needs awnings to protect the beautiful custom wooden doors. As you can see from the pictures, they have taken a beating from the weather over the years. One side door has been removed and restored but will not be placed back into the building until we have a way to protect it from further damage. The Carnegie Library has recently placed awnings over their doors, and we would like to do something similar. If you are willing to contribute to this cause, please indicate on your donation check. Please help us keep this beautiful historic building's custom doors and prevent further damage.

Thank you,  
 The ELHSAA Board



Pictured above is the front door to the clock tower that has seen better days.



Pictured above is the new awning above the door at Carnegie Library. This is what we would like to have installed over the doors at the Alumni building.

Left: The new awning at the Carnegie Library compared to the side door at the clock tower that needs restored.



The clock tower office is now open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. It is being staffed by our loyal volunteers who would love to have you stop in to see all the cool artifacts that are on display. Every yearbook is available to look through and if we have more than one copy you can purchase the extra for \$10 per book.

Recently the Keramos Echo staff visited the clock tower to get some inspiration for the 2024 yearbook. They were also looking for ideas for the 150<sup>th</sup> graduation coming up this spring. Pictured are the current yearbook staff members with their advisor Mrs. Megan Hoffrichter Hernandez and Alumni Relations Director Jennifer Shockey Molish.

### ATTENTION CLASS OF 1968

Save the Date

Saturday, July 13, 2024

7:00 PM

Casual Mixer with a Cash Bar and Hors d' Oeuvres

- East Liverpool Elks Lodge
  - 620 Broadway Street
  - Banquet Room (Entrance from side parking lot)
  - Donation at the Door to Cover Costs
- Why wait 4 years for the next All Class Reunion! Let's gather with our friends and classmates now.

RSVP for planning purposes - text, call, or email

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This event will be shared on social media and please help us spread the word! There will be no postal mailing.

### ATTENTION CLASS OF 1974

#### 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion

August 2<sup>nd</sup>: Get together at 1<sup>st</sup> Friday on 5<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

- Cash Bar
- Vendors
- Food Trucks

August 3<sup>rd</sup>: Reunion at the Masonic Temple. More info to follow through our class Facebook page.

### ATTENTION CLASS OF 1994

#### 30<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion

Please send your current email address to [director@elhsaa.com](mailto:director@elhsaa.com) and join our ELHS Class of '94 Facebook page to receive updates. There will not be any postal mailings.

# HAPPENINGS ON THE HILL

## GENEROSITY IS THE KEY TO NEW BAND EQUIPMENT

DC Music, The East Liverpool Board of Education, and the East Liverpool Band Boosters made it financially possible to expand our musical horizons. Thanks to their unwavering support, we've welcomed 32 brand new instruments into the East Liverpool Band Program. These instruments not only represent a significant enhancement to our musical arsenal but also symbolize the East Liverpool community is truly fortunate to

have such pillars of support for the arts. We are now equipped to inspire, nurture, and cultivate the talents of our young musicians, fostering a love for music that will last a lifetime.

A massive thank you for investing in the future of our students and the beauty of music. Your commitment to our program will echo in the melodies created by generations to come!



## Powerful Potter Makes ELHS & County History



Congratulations to Makyah Newlun for becoming our very first girl to win a wrestling state championship!

Newlun ended her senior season 49-2 and pinned all four of her opponents. She was on the mat for a total of 5 minutes and 20 seconds at state.

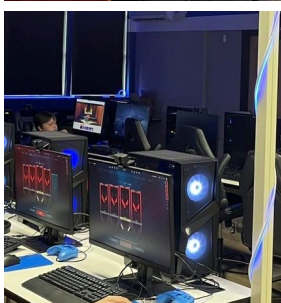
It was East Liverpool's first state wrestling title since brothers Darryl (128 pounds) and Jim Hoppel (134 pounds) won in 1955.

*"Honestly it feels amazing," Newlun said. "I am just glad that I can pave the way for other girls in my area that are getting into wrestling."*

Makyah is also a national champion power lifter, setting multiple national records in the process.

- 🏆 1st place at the North American Powerlifting Championship
- 🏆 She set the state record for squat-142.5 kilos (314.2 lbs)
- 🏆 Makyah set state+national record for bench press- 87.5 kilos (192.9 lbs)
- 🏆 She set state+national record for deadlift- 170 kilos (374.8 lbs)

## ESPORTS DEBUTS TO SET EL SCHOOLS ABOVE THE REST



The technology team for East Liverpool schools has transformed one of the old computer training labs at Westgate Middle School into an esports arena. The cost for the arena/lab, which includes specialized computers, Xbox controllers, headphones, chairs and monitors, was \$20,000, funded with grant money. Esports Advisor Brian Kerr said that approximately 12 students are involved in the program now as it gets underway, but he anticipates more than 30 students involved next year as they look to

start competing in tournaments. Kerr said the main benefit of esports for the students is the scholarships and that there are a lot of scholarships available. This helps open the doors to more opportunities for college for kids who don't do football, baseball, band or other activities like that. He also noted it is a great way to develop communication and team building skills.

Chris Cardelein, technology program coordinator, said many colleges have multi-million-dollar facilities for esports.

# ELHSAA: Community Partner & Facilitator

## BRIDGE THE GAP MAKES A COMEBACK

This is the first time since the COVID 19 pandemic the district has held the event which had been a yearly tradition for the school since 1979.

The event gives junior/senior high students the opportunity to invite a grandparent or a person special to the student into the school to spend the afternoon with them. Each student was able to invite up to two grandparents to the event which also served as a Grandparents Day event.

Students and their guests walked through the health fair. Medical students, medics, firefighters, and medical professionals were available to check blood sugar, cholesterol

levels, and blood pressure. They were able to obtain information on hospice, funeral planning services, elderly care, dietary needs, health and fitness and more.

Following the health fair, students and their guests were treated to lunch together in the school cafeteria. They then headed to the auditorium where they saw a performance of "Grease" performed by Thespian Troop 319 and a performance by the school band and choir.

More than 350 guests joined the students at the event. Bridge the Gap was a big success, and many were happy to see the tradition continue.



Pictures courtesy of EL City Schools Facebook page.



## OLDE GUARD COMMITTEE GEARS UP TO WELCOME THE CLASS OF 1963

Committee Chairperson, Nancy Evans, pictured left has been busy planning for the 2024 luncheon. To receive an invitation to the Olde Guard reception, an alumni must have graduated at least 61 years prior.

The next Olde Guard Luncheon will be held in the ELHS cafeteria, at noon, on Wednesday, June 26, 2024. We will welcome the class of 1963 and it will be catered by L&B. The menu will be stuffed chicken breast or roast beef with mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, fresh fruit salad, coleslaw, and a selection of pies. Cost to attend is \$28 per person. Invitations will be mailed out in April to all attendees from last year and the entire class of 1963. If you did not attend last year but would still like an invitation, you can reach out to Nancy by email or phone. You may RSVP early by emailing Nancy at [eastnre@comcast.net](mailto:eastnre@comcast.net). Please put Olde Guard 2024 in the subject line. She can be reached by calling 330-853-1560.

## Adam Reuter, Class of 2000, Named ELHS Commencement Speaker

Adam N. Reuter will be the 150th commencement speaker for the East Liverpool High School Class of 2024 on Sunday, May 26th in the ELHS Potter Fieldhouse at 3pm.

Adam Reuter is a proud East Liverpool High School graduate of the ELHS Class of 2000. After graduation, he attended The Ohio State University earning a Bachelor's in Criminology. He was commissioned an Officer in the United States Army and was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).

Mr. Reuter served two tours of duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as a Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer. He was awarded two bronze stars for meritorious service and the U.S. Army commendation medal.

In March of 2009, Mr. Reuter was hired as a Special Agent with the United States Secret Service. While on duty, he has protected every living United States President and their family members along with numerous foreign heads of state. He has served as a team leader for the President's Protective Detail as well as the Counter Assault Team.

He is currently assigned as an operations agent in the Dignitary Protective Division.

Adam is the son of Rick and Debi Reuter and brother of Dana Vulgamore. He and his wife Emily are the proud parents to six children. The Reuters currently own and operate two wedding venues and a winery in Fredericksburg, Virginia.



Adam Reuter, photo courtesy of East Liverpool City Schools.

**BUY a TICKET to WIN CASH!**

With your help, we can do more! Every ticket purchase will generate funds to help ELHSAA keep the Potter Spirit Burnin'. Tickets only sold on-line. Enter for a chance to win 50% of Pot (less the processing fees and website fees) and help us spread the word to your family and friends. Thank you for your generous support! <https://go.rallyup.com/elhsaa-april5050>



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Drive Thru Dinner - Thursday, April 18!** The ELHSAA volunteers are ready to take your reservations for Bob's spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread, and brownie for \$12. Please call the ELHSAA at 330-385-0591, or Sue Furman at 330-385-0403. Leave your name and number of meals requested by April 15, at noon. Drive thru pick up will be from 4:00-6:00 pm, on Thursday, April 18.

**Clock Tower Spring Basement Sale:** Do you have unwanted stuff around the house? Please donate it (no clothing) before April 26<sup>th</sup> to ELHSAA for the upcoming Basement Sale Fundraiser on May 3<sup>rd</sup> (9 AM to 4 PM) and May 4<sup>th</sup> (9 AM to 2 PM). Donations can be dropped off on Tuesdays and Fridays, until April 26, from 10-2.

**Alumni Spotlight - Dr. Christina R. Richey (2000)**

Dr Richey currently works at the NASA Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena, California and she spoke to students at ELHS about her academic journey and a variety of topics including the proposal and budgetary process, inclusion initiatives in the workplace, binary stars, metal planets, and Mars rovers. Dr. Richey is currently the Program Manager for Research and Technology Development in the Office of Research & Development (ORD) at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. Dr. Richey provides guidance on the proposal process for the section and division, and trains researchers within the community on best practices for proposal submission and review (including being the PI of a NASA award for proposal writing workshops). Dr. Richey is also a consultant for the Europa Clipper Mission. In addition to their scientific activities, Dr. Richey has held several leadership positions and has actively engaged in Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility activities, advocating for safe and inclusive workplace environments. Christina has been awarded a Special Service Award at NASA HQ.



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216 EAST 4TH STREET, EAST LIVERPOOL, OH 43920

Or use the association's website at [www.elhsaa.com](http://www.elhsaa.com).

2024 ELHSAA BOARD - President - Drew Cooper (1992), 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Brian Shockey (1984), 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Pam Flaherty McDowell (1978), David Mayers (1966), John Aikens (1975), Brian Hamilton (1998), Dennis Thompson (1973), Joey Bickerton (2015), Cindy Hilliard (1974), Lisa Viscogliosi Blasdel (1986), Bonnie McNicol LaScola (1959), Teresa Earich Emmerling (1973), & Troy Chisom (2004)

STAFF - Alumni Relations Director - Jennifer Shockey Molish (1994) Treasurer - Samantha Martin Kinemond (2000)

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