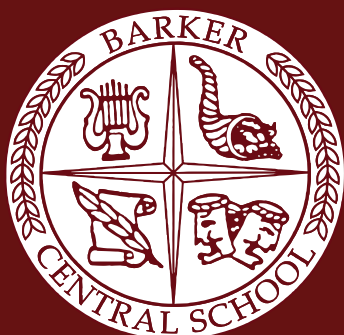


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The Banner



The Colors of B-A-R-K-E-R



During homecoming week in late September, students and staff assembled outside the main entrance of Barker Jr./Sr. High School for a schoolwide picture. **Mr. Mallon** can be seen in the lower left of the picture operating the drone which was used for the overhead picture above. Students were grouped together by class color while staff wore maroon and white. PreK was not included in the large group photo. To view their AM and PM photos please turn to page 8.



The Class of 2020 burst into the gym to get the pep assembly rolling on Friday, September 27th.

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www.barkercsd.net



A Message From Your Superintendent

It feels like we just started the 2019-20 school year just a few weeks ago and yet here we are nearing the middle of the year getting ready for the upcoming Holidays. The entire Barker school community has been hard at work this year and the time has flown by. As always, our students continue to achieve and excel at so many things. It truly is a privilege to watch our growth every single day. Take a look at some of the achievements of our students shown throughout the following pages. There is so much to be proud of in our entire school community.

This is also the time of year that we formally start our annual process of developing a budget for the next school year. While budget development and maintenance is ongoing throughout the year, the next few months are when the actual picture becomes a bit more clear and we fine tune our planning for the next school year and beyond. The Board of Education, Administration, and staff take a great deal of time and effort to put together a spending plan that will provide the best possible education for our students while being as cost effective as possible.

As you all know, the Somerset Power Plant will be closing soon, pending a final review by the state. While we always held out hope that this day would not come so soon, we have been planning for this well in advance of the actual closure. We will continue to rely upon our well-funded reserves while we work to get back to a truly balanced budget where our new revenues coming in each year will equal what we spend each year.

One major part of this plan will likely need all of our community's support. We have spent countless hours working to understand and educate our local legislators about what is wrong with the New York State Foundation Aid formula (which currently funds approximately half of our annual operating expenses) and why we are not receiving what is due to the Barker community. In the near future we will be reaching out to you to help with our advocacy efforts to right the inequities that are in place at the state level and to help increase the amount of State Foundation Aid we receive so we can continue to provide the best possible education for our students in a way that is affordable for our community. Please be on the lookout for more information about this effort as it rolls out in the next month or two.

Lastly, as the winter begins to ramp up, remember that we have so many opportunities for community members to participate in through the school community. We have many continuing education programs that can be found within this edition of the Banner. And don't forget we have many opportunities for you to support our students throughout the rest of the school year. If you have not been to a swim meet, a boys or girls basketball game, a wrestling meet, a baseball/softball game, one of our many concerts and fine arts events that happen throughout the entire school year, or some of the various community events and fund raisers sponsored by school clubs and activities - please stop in and watch what our students and community are doing. Just check the school calendar on the district webpage to see what is going on! They are all fun for the whole family!

I wish you all a safe Holiday Season and a fantastic 2020!

Sincerely,

Mr. Jacob Reimer
Superintendent



From the Desk of Mr. Carter

Dear Barker Parents, Families and Community Members:

Happy holidays! I hope you all have been having a great school year so far. Our students and faculty have been hard at work every day. We just wanted to take this opportunity to keep you all up to date with the wonderful things happening in our schools every day.

As part of our alignment to a PreK-12 model, students have been hard at work with a peer mentoring program. The "M&M Mentoring Program" pairs upper classmen with younger students for regularly scheduled visits, activities and conversations. This allows many of our younger students to develop another positive relationship with somebody on campus; it also gives our high school students a chance to be a leader and continue to make our school a great place for all students.

Continuing our focus on character education, our Student of the Month recognitions have been aligned PreK-12 to our HARD WORKER model. Each month, the letters from the acronym are used for a different character trait. For December, the trait is Dependable. It is wonderful for our students, faculty and families to see how children at all age levels demonstrate these positive character traits. The SPARK program for all students in grades PreK-8 continues to bear fruit. Responsibility and kindness are continually touched upon throughout the school day.

Our School Resource Officer program with the Town of Somerset continues to benefit our students. Not only does it provide us with a major safety measure, but our SRO's have been going into classrooms at different levels to provide instruction. Topics from household safety to forensics have been covered. Please see the "SRO Corner" article for a safety update in this Banner issue.

As a reminder, our current PreK-12 structure involves both Mrs. Thibault at the elementary and Mrs. Bundrock at the high school. This model has provided students and teachers more support with classroom instruction and student discipline. These positions are a major reason why the changes to our school day have gone so well.

Also, I would like to remind all community members that our District Code of Conduct applies not just to students, but to all persons on our campus. Whether it is during the normal school day or an athletic event, visitors, families and community members are expected to represent Barker in a positive way.

It is an honor to serve as PreK-12 principal. The hard work our teachers do, from Prekindergarten up through Senior year, is on display every day. Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our school. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Carter
Principal, Grades PreK-12



(L-R): Mrs. Bundrock, Mr. Carter, Mrs. Thibault work together as a team to provide students and teachers more support in and out of the classroom.

Instructional Services Report

Dear Barker Community,

While 2019 might be coming to an end, the school year isn't even halfway through. However, in just a few short months, we've accomplished a lot! New this year in Pre-kindergarten through 8th grade is our [SPARK program](#). Building off the 5th and 6th grade program from last year, SPARK recognizes students' efforts throughout a five week time frame. Every five weeks, grade levels participate in fun activities to recognize students who have met certain criteria such as being responsible and kind. Activities have included a Turkey Trot for PreK, 1st and 3rd grade students; apple activities (donated by Niagara Fresh Fruit Company) for students in PreK through 3rd grade; team building activities and a visit to the Albright Knox Art Gallery for 5th graders; playing in the snow and hot chocolate for 2nd grade; a visit to Old Fort Niagara and a visit to the Rochester Maker Faire for 4th graders; playing in the snow and a visit to the Discover Central and the Niagara Gorge for 6th graders; as well as roller skating and an ice cream social for 7th and 8th graders. We are excited to be able to offer these amazing opportunities to our students.



Just as our students are hard at work learning, so are our teachers. On October 4th, we ran a district-wide professional development day where we investigated an education framework that leads to increased student learning. On November 20th, we followed this up with two hours of professional development around specific components of this framework. Our goal is to increase student learning and achievement. Staff were able to work with each other and have collegial conversations around what good teaching looks like. In addition, we have begun work around the new English, Math, Social Studies and Science standards. As a faculty, we have looked at the new standards and investigated the changes compared to the 2011 Common Core Learning Standards. We have been discussing how to implement these standards into our curriculum. In the Elementary School, we have researched standards-based grading and looked into switching the entire building to standard-based report cards. This work will continue through the spring and the summer.

The Empire State STEM Learning Network is a statewide, community-led collaborative whose mission is to advance STEM education to prepare all students for success in school, work and life to fuel innovation and economic growth in New York. STEM refers to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. STEM jobs are the largest growing job sector in the United States. At Barker, we recognize how important STEM can be for our students and are working to incorporate this more into our lessons. Every year WNY STEMHub, our regional Empire State STEM Learning Network, hosts an awards luncheon to recognize schools doing work around teaching STEM. This year, Barker received an award recognizing us as an Emerging STEM School.

It's amazing to think about what we have already accomplished in just a few short months; imagine what 2020 holds for our schools.

Sincerely,
 Dr. Mariah Kramer
 Director of Instructional Services



SRO Corner

Greetings Barker/Somerset Community:

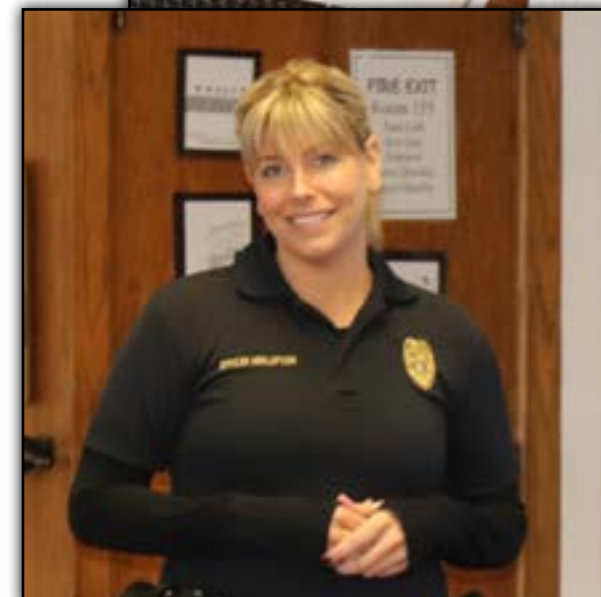
I would like to remind everyone of New York State Law regarding firearms, and knives. NYS law states: It is illegal for anyone to discharge any Firearm, Cross Bow or Bow near any School or playground. For firearms discharge

has to be more than 500 feet. For a cross bow discharge has to be more than 250 feet and for a bow discharge has to be over 150 feet. This includes target practice.

I would also like to remind readers, according to New York State Law, it is illegal to possess in any public place, street or park, any knife with a blade four (4) inches or longer. It is further forbidden by school regulations to be in possession of any type of knife on school grounds no matter of blade length.

Thank you.

Officer John Yotter
 Barker School Resource Officer (SRO)
 Somerset Town Police Dept.



(Clockwise from upper left): Officer John Yotter, Chief Jon Miller, Officer Erica Herlofson.

NHS Mitten Tree

The Barker chapter of the National Honor Society setup a mitten tree in center hall in order to support our students here at Barker. The members of the organization decorated the tree with lights and mittens and requested that interested people take a mitten from the tree and buy the gift listed on the mitten. Some mittens had specific items listed while others just stated that the gift would be for a boy or a girl and what grade level or age the recipient was. The suggested gifts were reasonably priced (around \$10) and didn't have to be anything elaborate.

The intent was that the recipient of each gift would find the generosity and the gift very special to the individual. The members of the National Honor Society aimed to spread the joy of giving during the Christmas season and hoped for a successful turn out in order to support the local Barker student community. Gifts were all placed under the tree by December 18th and then were distributed to the recipients before Christmas break. The response was very positive as 51 mittens were returned with gifts that covered PreK - 12th grade as many joined in on spreading hope, happiness, kindness and Christmas spirit to our own community. The National Honor Society members were appreciative and thankful for all those that supported their endeavor.



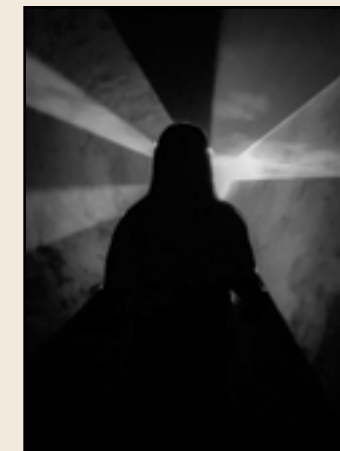
(Above L-R): **Jonathan Pestinger** and NHS Adviser **Mrs. Bundrock** place presents under the mitten tree in center hall. (Right L-R): **Brianna Bachman, Kylie Annable, Kaitlynn Dauphinee, and Serena Harris** take time out from wrapping presents to smile for the camera. NHS member **Ian DiLorenzo** was also involved in the project, but is not pictured.

Sr. High School Art News

Ms. Feltz's high school Portfolio and Animation class went on a tour of the Albright Knox Art Gallery and had a docent guided tour of artwork in the permanent collection and special exhibition *Anthony McCall: Dark Rooms, Solid Light*.



(Counter clockwise from upper left): (Standing L - R): **Lucas Grissett, Bo Chraston, Corey Sanchez, Emily Wagner, Emily Donner, Haleigh Mason, Samantha Howes.** (kneeling L - R): **Brianna Bachman, Morgan Phillips, Larcey Dwyer.** **Brianna Bachman** a part of the unforgettable interactive experience at the Albright Knox Art Gallery. Painting by **Angelina Broecker.** **Morgan Phillips** working on her observational drawing in the courtyard and her finished charcoal drawing.



Lions Club Poster Contest Winners

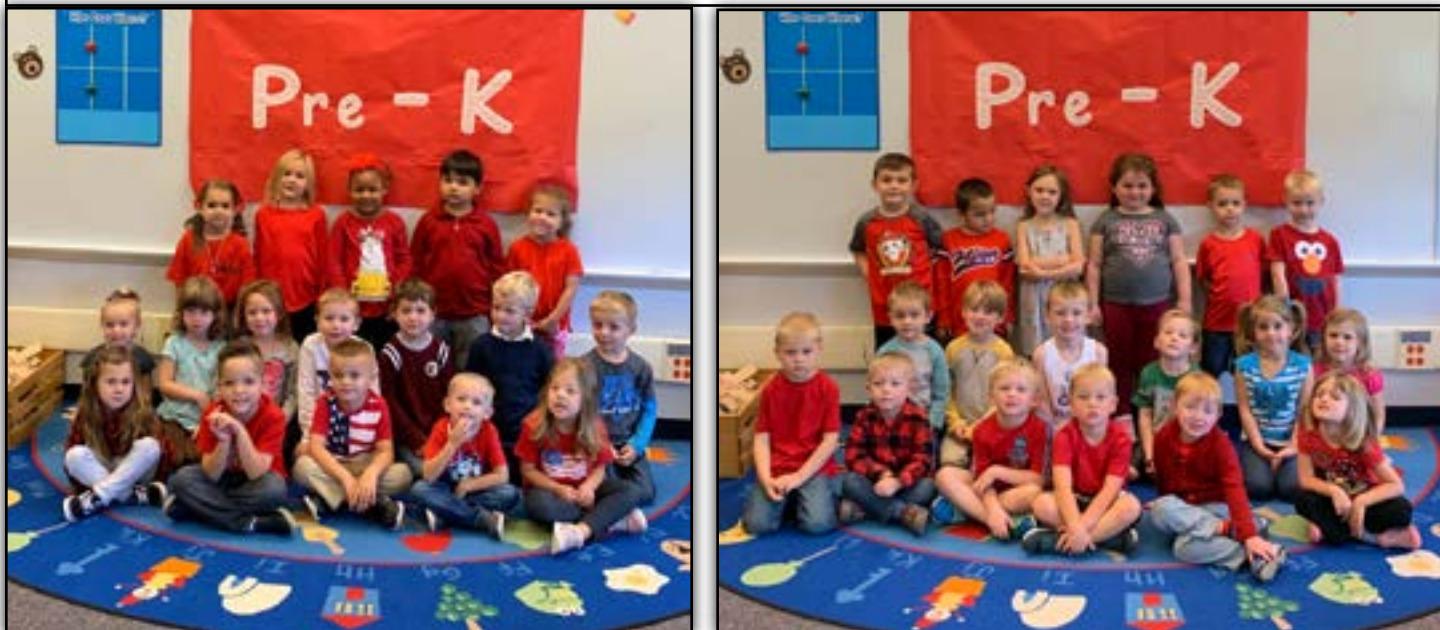
Isabella Joy and Samantha Murphy were district winners of the annual Lions Club Poster Contest. Both girls received recognition from Barker Lions Club and were presented with their own individual art kit. Mrs. Phillips, Pratt Elementary Art Teacher has the students design the posters as part of a project in class.



(L - R): **Mr. Carter, Isabella Joy, Samantha Murphy, Lions Club President Tom Ware** display the winning posters and art kits.

PreK Classes Get Involved In Homecoming Week

PreK students were not present for the overhead drone picture on the cover of this issue, but did pose as an AM and a PM class for class colors.



(Above L-R): PreK AM and PreK PM students participated in class color day during homecoming week. The Barker Class of 2033 class colors are red and white.

SPARK Pictures from the 2019-2020 School Year



(Clockwise from upper left): 2nd graders played in the snow, 4th graders at the Rochester Maker Faire, Kindergarten students enjoyed apples.

Pratt Elementary 4th Graders to be Published

The 4th graders in Mrs. Evans' and Mrs. Dissek's classes participated in a Halloween themed writing contest this past October. The contest challenged students to write a mini saga, a story told in just 100 words, using tension, suspense and atmosphere to bring their spooky tale to life. Young Writers, the sponsoring organization, received over 10,000 entries. The Barker students' work was chosen to be published in an anthology titled, "Spooky Sagas 2019 Authors from New York". Pratt Elementary will receive a complimentary copy of the anthology. Congratulations to all of these students for being recognized for their imagination, creativity and use of language.



(Above): 4th graders from Mrs. Dissek's and Mrs. Evans' classes display their Spooky Sagas certificates on Ugly Sweater Day.

PTO Scholastic Book Fair Raises Big Profit

The Barker PTO sponsored a fall Scholastic book fair this past November. Sales totaled over \$5,000 leaving a profit of over \$1,600. An anonymous donation was received this year, helping to put a book in every PreK - 6th grade student's hands. Barker is truly blessed by our alumni and community members to have such a caring family. A special "Thank You" to all of the volunteers for their commitment to making all PTO events and activities possible. The organization will offer it's annual "Buy One Get One Free" book fair in April. Stay tuned for dates and times.



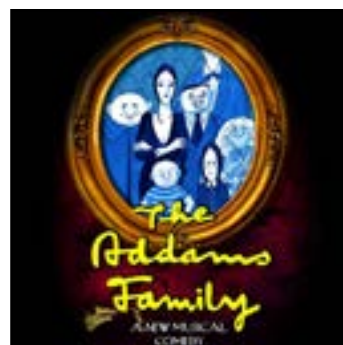
“The Addams Family” Musical at BCS

Get ready for a haunting as *The Addams Family* comes to Barker! For the next three months, Barker Jr./Sr. High students will be portraying ghosts, spirits, and the other than “normal” members of the Addams Family and their many beloved ancestors. The Addams Family Musical will be presented at Herbert F. Ludwig Fine Arts Hall on March 13th, 14th, and 15th, 2020.

For anyone who remembers the Addams Family TV program from the 60’s or has seen the popular reruns, the characters and scenario in this musical version will be hauntingly yet charmingly familiar. Within the kooky, upside-down world of the Addams Family, to be sad is to be happy, to feel pain is to feel joy, and death and suffering are the stuff of their dreams. The Addamses have lived by their unique values for hundreds of years and Gomez and Morticia, the patriarch and matriarch of the clan, would be only too happy to continue living that way. Their dark, macabre, beloved daughter Wednesday, however, is now an eighteen year-old young woman who is ready for a life of her own. She has fallen in love with Lucas Beineke, a sweet, smart boy from a normal, respectable Ohio family — the most un-Addams sounding person one could be! To make matters worse, she has invited the Beinekes to their home for dinner. In one fateful, hilarious night, secrets are disclosed, relationships are tested, and the Addams family must face up to the one horrible thing they’ve managed to avoid for generations: change.

Tickets for Barker Jr./Sr. High School “The Addams Family Musical” will be available in February. Program ads will be sold starting in January. Program ads are a great way to publicly advertise and also show support for our cast, a specific person, or our entire production. Please visit our [webpage](#), located under [Jr./Sr. High Clubs & Activities](#), to see the names of the entire cast.

For further information or if you have questions about our production, please contact Cheryl Johnson via email: cjohnson@barkerccd.net, or by phone: 716-795-3201, ext. 7189. Hope to see you at the show!



(Top - Bottom): Lizzie Hopkins & Cameron Kiner, Taylon Sherman & Ellie Voss, Kylie Annable & Joey Cantella rehearse scene from the Addams Family.

Do You Want to Build a Snowman?

Come see Elsa and friends build a snowman at Pratt Elementary School. Disney’s Frozen KIDS will be performed on Friday, April 3rd and Saturday, April 4th at the Herbert F. Ludwig Fine Arts Hall.



You’ll love this fanciful and heartwarming stage adaptation of the celebrated animated film. Join Anna, Elsa, Olaf, Sven, and all of your favorite characters as they embark on an epic, ice-filled journey of self-discovery, camaraderie, and the real meaning of true love. Adapted for young performers, this musical includes favorite Frozen songs such as “Love Is an Open Door,” “Do You Want to Build a Snowman?,” and “Let It Go,” as well as wonderful new songs from the Broadway production. This production of Frozen KIDS is sure to prove that “some people are worth melting for.”



Please look for upcoming information on the school website regarding the show and how to purchase tickets. We hope to see you there!

Pumpkin Coloring Contest Winners



Front (L - R): Nathaniel Quinn, Jada Zarazua, Sophia Pavlock, Liam Lanighan, Lydia Atwater, Jillian Fisk, Julia Cimato. Back (L - R): Mr. Carter, Chelsey Bilby, Shelby Dauphinee, Elizabeth Samson, Jacquelin DeJesus Sanchez, Alexis Dauphinee, Payton Hadsell, Ryan Fisk, Madilyn Detschner, Rachel Samson, Daniela Soraida Salazar-Chavez. Not pictured: Maddie Baker, Wyatt Upton.

Students of the Month

We are using an acronym for the 2019-2020 school year for our student of the month character traits. The acronym is HARD WORKER. Individual students who demonstrated the character trait for the month are nominated by the teachers at each grade level. September: Honest, October: Ambitious, November: Reliable, December: Dependable.



(Clockwise from top left): Pratt Elementary Students of the Month - December 2019: (L-R): Maddie Baker, Mr. Carter.

Pratt Elementary School Students of the Month - October 2019: (L-R): Daniel Goodwin, Kasey Thering, Mrs. Thibault, Grayson Prynne, Leeora Hess, Mr. Carter, Joey Becker, Kian Baker, Keegan Schaal.

Pratt Elementary School Students of the Month - November 2019: (L-R): Willa Sutch, Ayvah Kropp, Mr. Carter, Kian Lawson, Hannah Monaco, Jordan Spearin, Jocelyn Schmitt, Mrs. Thibault, Elina White, Mia Klopfer.

Pratt Elementary Students of the Month - December 2019: (L-R): , Kyle Rounds, Peyton Hirschman, Autumn Lewis, Mr. Carter, Kaya Lloyd, Melodi Murphy, Corey Bilby, Mrs. Thibault, David Wilson.

Pratt Elementary School Students of the Month - (L-R): Mr. Carter, Riley Clark, Bryce Remington, Chace Atwater, Connor Baker, Brisset Lopez-Paz, Ava Kelemen, Dominic Cimato, Mrs. Thibault.

Pratt Elementary School Students of the Month - October 2019: Carter Annecharico, Mr. Carter, Mrs. Thibault.



(Clockwise from top right): Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - October 2019: (L-R): Mr. Carter, Joel Harris, Ella Gooding, Evelyn Bish, Piper Brinson, Taylon Sherman, Angelita Seager, Samantha Murphy, Jeminna Eckborg, Petra Bish, Emma Evans.

Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - December 2019: Anna Bowerman, Trinity Parfinski, Mr. Carter, Meredith Black, Chloe Lee.

Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - November 2019: (L-R): Nathaniel Heidemann, Emily Oliveira, Andrew Hill, Ariana Peace, Nathan Meza Ray, Jessica Bautista Lopez.

Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - September 2019: (L-R): Joey Mahar, Mr. Carter, Andreas Nestoros.

Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - October 2019 (L-R): Mr. Carter, Kyla Drake, Mrs. Lakeman.

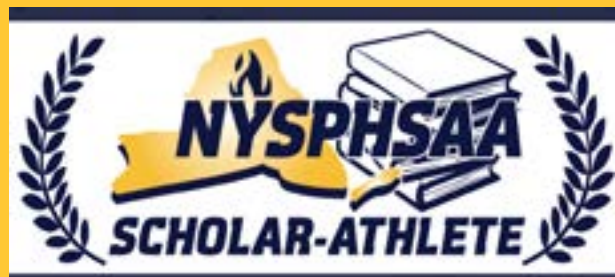
Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - December 2019: Alexis Dauphinee, Madison Miller, Taylon Sherman.

Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - November 2019: (L-R): Kaitlynn Dauphinee, Kylie Annable.



Fall Athletics Recognition

Six fall teams excelled in the classroom to receive recognition as Scholar Athlete Teams: Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Field Hockey, Football, Golf and Girls Soccer.



(L-R): **Ian DiLorenzo**, Cross Country: NYS PHSAA State Meet Sportsmanship Award (Section VI Class D), NYS PHSAA State Qualifier (Section VI Class D), Niagara-Orleans League 1st Team, All-WNY Scholar Athlete. **Mason Allee Castro**, Cross Country: NYS PHSAA State Qualifier (Section VI Class D).



Niagara-Orleans League Champions, Section VI Class C Champions, Far West Regionals Class C Champions, Field Hockey Front (L - R): Macie May - Ball Girl, Alexis Weeks, Addison Szfranski, Ashlin Cole, Madison Gancasz, Mackenzie Dodge, Aaliyah Wheat, Katrina Clare, Ciara Gregoire, Rachel Hurtgam, Natalie Bruning, Mia Herman, Natalie Brandel - Ball Girl, Madilyn Detschner - Video. Back (L - R): Jeff Costello - Head Coach, Bill Moeller - Assistant Coach, Anna Bowerman, Alexa Zglinicki, Ella Fox, Serena Harris, Brianna Bachman, Lena Fazzolari, Courtney Hillman, Megan Hotaling, Kaedynce Schumacher, Ella Gooding, Emily Wagner, Virginia Alexander, Aileen Hinton - Assistant Coach, Karin Menz - Assistant Coach.

(Clockwise from Upper Left): **Madison Gancasz**, Field Hockey: Niagara-Orleans League 1st Team, WNY Athletics Class C 1st Team. **David Class**, Football: Section VI Class B2 1st Team. **Jacob Harris**, Golf: 1st Team Niagara-Orleans League. **Ciara Gregoire**, Field Hockey: Niagara-Orleans League 1st Team, WNY Athletics Class C 1st Team, All-WNY 2nd Team, WNY Athletics Player of the Week. **Katrina Clare**, Field Hockey: NYS PHSAA State All-Tournament Team, All-State Team, All-WNY 1st Team, All-WNY Athletics 1st Team, WNY Athletics Class C 1st Team, Niagara-Orleans League Player of the Year, Niagara-Orleans League 1st Team, Greater Niagara Newspapers Player of the Year. **Rachel Hurtgam**, Field Hockey: NYS PHSAA State Tournament Sportsmanship Award, WNY Athletics Class C 1st Team. (Center): **Brianna Bachman**, Field Hockey: All-WNY Scholar Athlete.



To be a leader in bringing out the best in each individual in our community.

Adult/Community Education

Winter 2020 Adult/Community Education Program

BCS ADULT/COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM

Director of Adult/Community Education:

James Cantella: 716-795-3201 ext. 5228, jcantella@barkeresd.net

Classes begin January 27th
Classes end March 26th*
No classes February 17th - 21st
 *Check classes for adapted schedule

Ongoing registrations will be honored unless class has been cancelled. Please register early to ensure that classes are not cancelled due to low enrollment.

Special Programs

AARP Smart Driver Course H. S. Cafeteria Monday, March 16th AND Tuesday, March 17th 6 - 9 PM

The new and improved AARP Smart Driver™ Course has been adjusted to include a focus on areas where drivers could benefit from additional training. This program is beneficial for all ages! A minimum of 15 people are required to hold this class. Participants must attend both evenings to qualify for discounts. Participants of the course will qualify for a discount on their automobile insurance. Check with your insurance provider for specifics. Limited to the first 40 registrations.

Instructor: George Laskey Cost: \$20 AARP Members/\$25 Non-Members 2 Classes
Checks made payable to: AARP - NOT to BCS. Write AARP member # in memo.

New Class

BARRE CLASS Elementary Gym Monday and Wednesdays 7 - 8 PM
 No class February 17th, 19th and March 4th - Make up March 30th

Barre class is a workout technique inspired by elements of ballet, yoga, and pilates, that focuses on low-impact, high intensity movements designed to strengthen and tone your body.

What to wear: yoga pants and tighter tops (you don't want your shirt to come up when you're bending around), and socks (barefoot optional).

What to bring: water, a towel, a yoga mat, very light weights (optional).

Instructor: Molly Burke Cost: \$40 (Seniors - \$20) 8 weeks

Regular Classes

ANTIQUA AUTO RESTORATION Room 161 Tuesdays 4 - 6 PM
 No Class 2/18

Come and explore the various techniques used to accomplish sheet metal work, welding, painting, cleaning and other tasks necessary to restore antique automobiles. No formal instruction given. There will be a charge for all materials used. LAB FEE: Participants will be charged for, and will be responsible for all supplies used in course.

Instructor: Tom Mallon Cost: \$30.00 (Seniors - \$15.00) 8 weeks

BASKETBALL H. S. Gym Mondays and Wednesdays 7 - 9 PM
 No Class February 3rd, 17th, 19th
 Make up 4/1

Competitive basketball for the recent and not-so-recent player. A congenial atmosphere is maintained to insure that all participants have an enjoyable evening. No instruction will be provided.

NO STUDENTS. MUST BE REGISTERED TO PARTICIPATE.

Instructor: Jared Morgan Cost: \$40.00 (Seniors - \$20.00) 8 weeks



BEGINNER KNITTING Room 183 Tuesdays 6 - 8 PM
 No Class 2/18
 Learn the creative and fun activity of knitting! Each week will focus on a different topic, including tools, stitches, patterns and history. You will need to bring a pair of single-point knitting needles and a skein of yarn (any size will do for this first practice session). We will discuss additional materials you will need to buy for a specific project that you will make during the remainder of classes.
 Instructor: Karen Davis Cost: \$30.00 (Seniors - \$15.00) 8 Weeks

BODY SCULPTING Elementary Gym Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 - 8:30 PM
 EARLY START January 21st - ENDS March 19th No Class 2/18 & 2/20
 This fast-paced class will help you strengthen, tone and shape your body. Following the interval training concept, low impact movements are alternated with weight-bearing exercises to challenge and meet your fitness goals. You will need a mat and weights. Trisha is a certified and experienced fitness instructor.
 Instructor: Trisha Mathison Cost: \$40.00 (Seniors - \$20.00) 8 Weeks

BOOK FOLDING Room 278 - Old Building Tuesdays, 5 - 6 PM
 Classes: January 28th, February 4th, 11th, 25th
 Do you enjoy folding pages? My heart is with you! Please join me for a few weeks of page turning fun as we put discarded library books to new use and create beautiful page folding art. Hint: Your first creation is guaranteed to be formed from the heart!
 Instructor: Mary Dudek Cost: \$20.00 (Seniors - \$10.00) 4 Weeks

CERAMICS FOR BEGINNERS Room 183 Wednesdays, 6 - 8 PM
 Classes: March 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
 Create functional and decorative pieces with a variety of hand-building techniques. Class is for beginners; no experience is necessary. There is a \$20 lab fee for materials.
 Instructor: Krista Beth Feltz Cost: \$20.00 (Seniors - \$10.00) 4 Weeks

GREETING CARDS CLASS Room 183 Mondays, 6 - 8 PM
 Classes: January 27th, February 10th, 24th, March 9th
 Do you enjoy stamping, coloring and scrapbooking but don't have the time to do large projects? Come join us and make greeting cards! Each week we will demonstrate cards using stamping, coloring with Copic markers, water color, embossing and more. We provide all of the materials to make 5 complete cards with envelopes. You will need to bring a tape/dot runner with refills. Dot runners may be purchased at Walmart or any large craft store. Lab Fee - \$12 per class.
 Instructors: Mary Kersch and Lorlann Martell Cost: \$14 (Seniors - \$7.00) 4 Weeks

HALL WALKING Mondays - Thursdays 6 - 8 PM
 No Classes 2/17 - 2/20
 What better way to exercise than walking! Come walk with us in the halls of Barker Central School. Please wear comfortable clothing and good, comfortable walking shoes or sneakers. You may bring a water bottle, or water fountains are available. This exercise is designed for all ages and levels. Coat hooks are available by room 161 near the art rooms with the skylights.
 No Instructor Cost: Free 8 Weeks

LAP SWIMMING Pool Wednesdays 6:30 - 7:30 PM
 No Class 2/19 & 2/26
 Pool will be open for lap swimming. Minimum of 6 registered needed to hold class.
 Staff Life Guard Cost: \$25.00 8 Weeks

PM WORKOUT Weight Room Mondays and Wednesdays 7 - 8 PM
 No Class 2/17 & 2/19
 Reshape your body while using this state-of-the-art equipment: treadmills, elliptical cross trainer, stair climber, exercise bikes, free weights, and strength training equipment. Participants may come one night or both nights, depending on your schedule. Minimum of 6 registered needed to hold class.
 Instructor: Staff Cost: \$40.00 (Seniors - \$20.00) 8 Weeks

STRETCH AND TONE YOUR BODY Elementary Gym Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30 - 7:30 PM
 EARLY START January 21st - ENDS March 19th No Class 2/18 & 2/20
 This class is for everyone - men and women! Do you want to feel better, get active and have fun too? Come join Trisha for this class that focuses on stretching, joint movement, flexibility, and strength training. All exercises are done standing or sitting in a chair. There is no exercising on the floor. We have a good time socializing and exercising. Trish is a certified fitness instructor. Minimum of 6 registered needed to hold class.
 Instructor: Trisha Mathison Cost: \$40.00 (Seniors - \$20.00) 8 Weeks

STAINED GLASS Room 160 Thursdays 6:30 - 8:30 PM
 No Class 2/20
 Learn the basic techniques of working with stained glass to create beautiful objects for yourself, home, or as gifts. There is a \$15 lab fee for materials used.
 Instructor: Laura Diez Cost: \$30.00 (Seniors - \$15.00) 8 Weeks

SWIM LESSONS I – Red Cross Levels 1 and 2 Pool Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Classes: March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, and April 6th
 Two levels of instruction will be offered. **Level 1 – Intro to Water Skills:** To help students feel comfortable in the water and to enjoy the water safely, Skills Covered: Entering and exiting the water safely, learning to submerge mouth, nose and eyes and breath control, front and back float and recovering to a stand, changing direction in the water, swimming 5 feet on front and back.
Level 2 – Fundamental Aquatic Skills: To give students success with fundamental skills. Skills Covered: Entering water by stepping or jumping in from the side, submerging entire head, blowing bubbles, open eyes underwater, front and back glide, swim 15 feet on front and 10 feet on back, swim on side, life jacket use. Red Cross cards will be issued for successful completion of course.
WSI Instructor: Bill Wilson Cost: \$25.00 5 weeks

VOLLEYBALL HS Gym Tuesdays and Thursdays 7 - 9 PM
LATE START - CLASS BEGINS February 25th & ENDS April 2nd
 Mixed volleyball for all skill level players. A pleasant environment is maintained to insure that all participants have an enjoyable evening.
NO STUDENTS.
Instructor: Jim Harris Cost: \$30.00 (Seniors - \$15.00) 6 weeks

WATER AEROBICS Pool Mondays and Wednesdays 5:30 - 6:30 PM
No Class 2/3, 17, 19 & 26
Make ups 3/30 and 4/1
 This water aerobics class will instruct participants through very low impact aerobic exercise that encourages cardiovascular fitness. Come firm and tone those muscles through water resistance workouts using rhythmic exercises put to music for you. Instructors are certified lifeguards. All workouts will be in the shallow end of the pool and the class size is limited to 30 participants.
Instructors: Lynne Wilson and Beth VeRost Cost: \$40.00 (Seniors - \$20.00) 8 weeks

Important Adult/Community Education Information

- **Doctor's Certificate of Health:** A physical examination is suggested prior to participating in physical fitness classes.
- **Eligibility:** In general, district residents and non-residents who are 18 years of age or older may enroll. High school students may enroll in any course with instructor approval and parental permission, and the understanding that no credit toward graduation will be granted.
- **Senior Citizens:** Senior Citizens, residents ages 55 and older, will be provided admission at 50% of the regular fee to all school-sponsored events if they present a Barker Central School District Senior Citizen Card. Non-residents will be required to pay the full admission fee. Registration forms must be submitted. Proof of age is required. In order to take advantage of senior citizen fee discount for courses and some special events, you need a Barker Central School Senior Citizen Card. You may receive this card by coming to the Barker Central School Superintendent's office and registering.
- **Registration:** Mail registration. Early registration protects against having to cancel due to insufficient registration. Please avoid disappointment by enrolling early. Registrants can assume they are officially registered unless notified and should begin attending classes on the scheduled starting date. You may register at the first session of class.
- **Is Class Canceled?** Whenever school is closed during the day due to inclement weather, no classes will be held that evening. Listen to local radio stations WBEN-AM 930 or WLVL-AM 1340 or TV Channels 2, 4 or 7 for school closings. If inclement weather begins later in the day, listen to local radio stations for announcements. Whenever possible, we will utilize the Blackboard Connect system to notify registered students in the event of a cancellation as noted above. Please be sure to provide a valid phone number for this purpose. Do not call the school. When a class cannot be held due to an illness or for other reasons, it is the instructor's responsibility to see that class members are notified. Canceled classes will be rescheduled by the instructor.
- **Material Cost:** Additional fees will be charged in classes where textbooks or materials are used. These are to be paid by the second session.
- **Refunds:** Total refunds will be made only if a class is canceled or filled. Transfer of tuition to another course can be arranged where size of class permits. No transfers after second class meeting. No refunds after classes begin.
- **No Smoking:** Barker Central School is a non-smoking facility.

B.C.S. ADULT/COMMUNITY EDUCATION REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL: (For updated information and materials) _____

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If signing up for a **SWIM LESSONS**, please include the information below:

CHILD'S NAME /AGE: _____ COURSE: _____

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*Check here if you are a District senior citizen.
 You are eligible for a 50% discount if you are 55 years or older with a B.C.S. Senior Citizen card.

Instructions:

1. Completely fill out one form for each person.
2. Registration must accompany payment.
3. Registrations will be accepted in order of postmark.
4. Please include your phone numbers to facilitate contacting you if necessary.
5. No refunds issued after classes begin.
6. You can assume your registration has been accepted unless you are notified otherwise.
7. Make checks payable to: **Barker Central School Adult/Community Education** unless otherwise noted, and indicate the name of the course or courses on your check. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.**
8. Mail to:

James Cantella
 Coordinator of Adult/Community Education
 Barker Central School District
 1628 Quaker Road
 Barker, NY 14012

Questions?

Please contact James Cantella,
 Coordinator of Adult/Community
 Education:
 716-795-3203 ext. 7228
jcantella@barkercsd.net

Please check the
 District/Community section of the
 Barker Central website:
www.barkercsd.net
 for a complete updated schedule.

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 Would you like to teach, or share your
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