

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



TOWNSHIP REPRESENTS AT CAMP CADET

Camp Cadet is a free, week long program in Somerset County for kids who are interested in law enforcement and different fields related to law. Held every summer at Outdoor Odyssey, Camp Cadet teaches 30-40 kids about military drills and physical fitness. During this year's program, Julian Throne, Gracyn Bittner, Jeremy Spiker, Noah Stultz, and Chris Yoder attended the camp. They were able to work collaboratively with others, gain more confidence, and learn leadership skills. At the end of the week, Julian Thorne received the Outstanding Cadet award, which is an award in honor of Sergeant Rudy Flaim who was killed during his military service. After receiving the honor, Julian noted, "The satisfaction of completing the program and a new self-confidence is the real reward."



CT AT PSU

This summer, CT's very own senior Mercedes Mull and learning support teacher Ms. Jenny Swiokla were given the opportunity to be a part of Penn State University's Summer Readiness Program. It was a six week program that taught rising seniors to become more community-oriented. Each week was a different theme, and they attended different field trips to explore a variety of careers. They also did local activities with banks, restaurants, etc. Ms. Jenny Swiokla helped the program by being the offsite coordinator. Mercedes Mull was the representative from the student body for Conemaugh Township. Mercedes says, "It was a great experience and I would definitely recommend it."

CT BOUTIQUE

In the upcoming months, Conemaugh Township will be opening a boutique that will be available to all students and staff. This boutique will give students an opportunity to buy affordable clothes and personal needs items that have been donated by Saint Francis Caring and Sharing. Mrs. Dull states, "The idea for the CT Boutique is to take away the stigma of not going to reused clothing stores." It will be located in the old girl's locker room, downstairs in the high school. Mrs. Dull, Mr. Buncich, and the St. Francis volunteers have been hard at work planning out the store. There will also be extra help from Mrs. Kopp's class, SADD Club, and Junior High Student Council who are looking to play a part in making this initiative successful.

New Faces in the Tribe

MS. HAGERTY



Ms. Hagerty is one of our new teachers here at Conemaugh Township. Before teaching she attended UPJ. To start off her teaching journey, she student taught with Mrs. Lyons and then moved to Ferndale where she taught ninth and seventh grade creative writing. This year at CT, Ms. Hagerty is teaching seventh and eighth grade reading. She states, "I enjoy the students' craziness and how vibrant each and everyone is."

MS. LEASOCK

Ms. Leasock is joining Conemaugh Township this year as our new Biology teacher. She attended Saint Vincent College where she studied Biology and English. Before coming to CT, she taught one year through Americorps at Somerset and one year at Rockwood while earning her masters degree. Ms. Leasock states, "I have found that students at CT are held to a much higher standard in terms of expectations."



LEISHA BLACK

Leisha Black is the new attendance and athletics secretary here at Conemaugh Township. She has been a part of the CT community for many years, supporting our football and volleyball team. Leisha explains that choosing this role has allowed her to join her youngest child who is now entering the highschool. She says, "Working here has been great! There is something new everyday. One of my favorite parts of my new job is interacting with the kids all day."



KRISTA JOHNSON

Ms. Krista is our new Reach counselor. The Reach Program is a nonprofit organization that helps students in school districts have their mental health needs met. Before counseling at CT, Ms. Krista was a school counselor at a local school and then was an academic counselor at UPJ. She says, "The staff is really welcoming and I've really enjoyed getting to know all of the students!"





UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 4 | 07.00 PM | Bonfire Lighting
07.30 PM | Bonfire Dance**

**October 6 | 06.00 PM | Homecoming Parade
07.00 PM | Homecoming Football Game**

**October 9 | No School for Students, Act 80
Day Inservice for Teachers**

**October 14 | 10.45 AM | Band Competition @
Johnstown**

October 20 | 12:00 PM | Act 80 Early Dismissal

**October 21 | 06.00 PM | Cheer Competition @
IUP**

October 24 | Period 6 | Adapted Music Concert

October 30 | End of Nine Weeks

