

PORT ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES

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Employee Newsletter
Martin Brewer, Superintendent

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Our Mission: PASD creates learning communities that prepare each student to live, work and learn successfully in a changing world.

MARTY'S MINUTE

Good things are on the horizon. Within the next 30-45 days, we foresee some significant changes on the COVID front. We are working very closely with our local health department and keeping tabs on updates released by the WA Department of Health. This week, we lifted spectator restrictions. This step brings us further along in our re-opening journey. I hope you feel a sense of relief and trust the guidance from our health officials while we navigate what we hope to be the beginning of the end of this pandemic.

INCHY VENDING MACHINE AT STEVENS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Stevens Middle School is the new owner of an Inchy Bookworm Vending Machine! Administrators installed the book vending machine to help promote literacy and reinforce positive behavior. Students earn tokens by being positive leaders while at school. Teachers and staff fill out "Positive Pink Slips" when students display behaviors aligned with the school district's Character Strong Curriculum, and three slips are pulled each week for a token that earns them one book. Way to go, Stampederers! At Stevens, kindness is cool and appropriately rewarded.



Pictured: Principal Kristen Lunt, Lyndel Atwater, and Superintendent Marty Brewer.

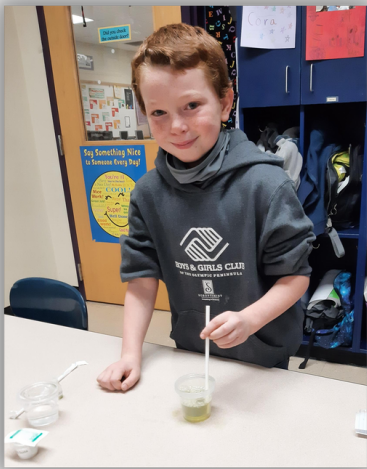


Please join us in wishing Scooter Chapman a happy retirement! Scooter supported Roughrider sports for more than 70 years! Wow!

From the senior night, pictured above: Mike Poindexter, Jayde Gedelman, Eve Burke, Jenna McGoff, Scooter, Catie Brown, Angie Sprague, and Gracie Townsend. Not pictured is senior Bailee Larson. Photo by: Dewi Sprague Photography

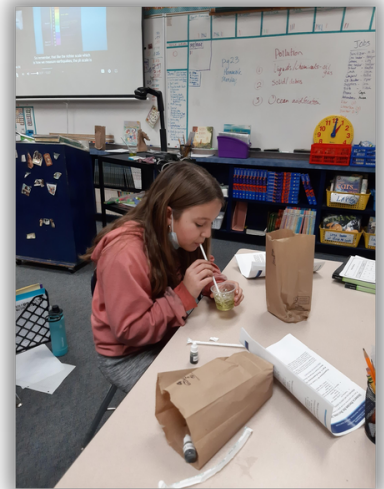
The Seattle Times wrote up a great article on Scooter's tenure [here](#).

Komo TV's program Eric's Heroes featured Scooter's story on Wednesday, Feb. 9, on KOMO-TV. You can view it on KOMO's website, [here](#).

**Mikah Thomas**

Fourth graders in Raena Young's class learned about ocean acidification with kits from Feiro Marine Life Center!

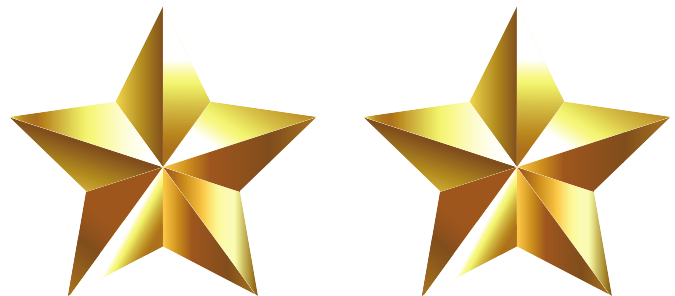
Students learned how CO₂ changes pH levels, and how CO₂ creates carbonic acids when mixed with water. The carbonic acid breaks apart and turns into hydrogen and bicarbonate. More hydrogen in water creates more acidic pH levels. In the pictures, they are blowing bubbles into the water and watching the water change color as the pH is changing to a more acidic level. Fun!

**Makenzie Smith**

PORT ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL DECA RECOGNIZED FOR OUTSTANDING SCHOOL-BASED ENTERPRISE (SBE)

The school-based enterprise Rider Avenue store at Port Angeles High School (PAHS) was among 461 school-based enterprises achieving gold-level certification for the 2021-2022 school year. In April, PAHS Students will receive recognition for this award during DECA's International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, GA.

The PAHS DECA members who contributed to the certification were Peyton Rudd, Hannah Basden, Kim Thompson, Jason Gladfelter, Teagan Clark, Aidan Butterworth, Damon Gundersen, Jenna McGoff, Eve Burke, Kinnley Brady, Daniel Cable, Miles Wait, Rebecca Hernandez, and Jaz Livingston. Students received support and assistance from their DECA chapter advisor, Jennifer Rogers. Rider Avenue at PAHS has operated for 11 years and is commended for this achievement. Way to go, Riders!



**Pictured left to right –
Aidan Butterworth, Jason Gladfelter,
Teagan Clark, Eve Burke, Jenna McGoff,
Hannah Basden, and Jaziel Livingston.**

GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

This weeks' staff spotlight is Joseph Shideler -CTE Construction Trades Instructor at PAHS!

- **Where are you from?** Port Angeles
- **Where did you go to school?** Queen of Angeles, PAHS, Peninsula College, Central Washington University
- **Favorite thing about working at PAHS so far?** Getting to know the staff and students, learning more about what's going on in our community
- **What was your first job?** Courtesy Clerk at Safeway
- **Do you have any pets?** Not Currently, but I have had Dogs and will again!
- **Favorite foods?** Hawaiian (especially poke!) and Puerto Rican.
- **What's your favorite family recipe?** Chalupa
- **What is your favorite family vacation?** Visiting family in Puerto Rico
- **Who is your hero?** My Dad
- **What is your proudest accomplishment?** My daughters
- **What was the last book you read?** The Splendid and the Vile
- **Who is your favorite author?** Dr. Seuss
- **What's your favorite movie?** The Godfather
- **If you could go back in time, what year would you travel to and why?** I would go WAY back to somewhere between the Miocene and Jurassic to be able to see the earth in a truly different form.
- **What makes you laugh the most?** My Daughters
- **If you could choose to do anything for a day, what would it be?** Explore somewhere outdoors
- **What is your favorite game or sport to watch and play?** Soccer
- **What would you sing at Karaoke night?** Simon and Garfunkel
- **What about hobbies?** Snowboarding, hiking, cooking, archery, brewing, cycling
- **Do you like to travel?** I love it
- **What's your biggest dream?** To be able to retire and travel with my wife.
- **What is your goal for this year?** Survive the school year, North Olympic Discovery Marathon in June (maybe just the half...), and The Seattle to Portland bike ride in July.
- **Where do you see yourself in 10 years?** Hopefully in a new home with some acreage.
- **One fun fact that most people don't know about you:** I met my wife from Hawaii while we both worked on a small island in Alaska
- **What's your favorite holiday?** Christmas
- **Are you an introvert or an extrovert?** Depends on the crowd.
- **What celebrity would you like to meet for a cup of coffee?** Paul McCartney
- **How many languages do you speak?** A little bit of Spanish
- **Anything else you'd like to share?** All of the staff at PAHS have been very helpful and generous with their time as I try to get settled in. Thank you, and I look forward to getting to know everyone better.



Happy National School Counselors Week!

Please join us in thanking our school counseling and student assistance professionals team for helping students turn their dreams into reality and succeed in a changing world!



100th Day of School is Thursday, Feb 17th!

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