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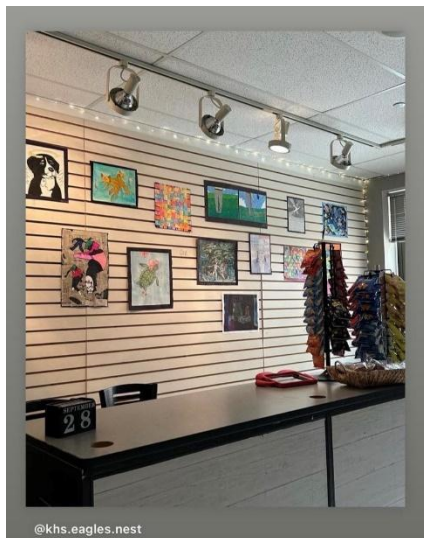
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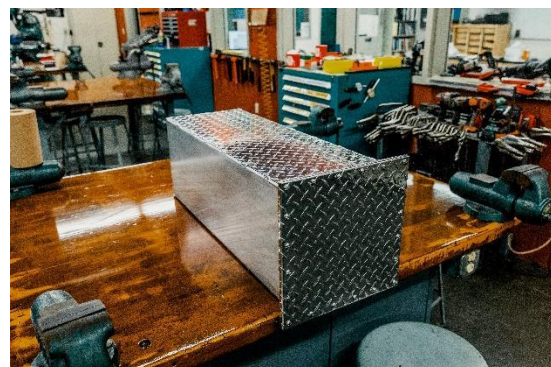
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Marketing (Hannah-Jo Weisberg): The student-run Eagles Nest is all set to open its doors, and we have an exciting addition this year – a brand-new student art wall! This innovative addition not only showcases our students' creative talents but also enhances the overall atmosphere of the Eagle's Nest.



Advanced Manufacturing (Andy Shaw): In commemorating Kennett High School's 100th anniversary, our Advanced Manufacturing class has crafted a new time capsule. This time capsule will serve as a testament to our school's rich history and the innovative spirit of our students.



Criminal Justice (Terry Ballou): Our Criminal Justice program has been bustling with activity. Recently, we were honored to host four esteemed police officers who engaged our Intro class in an enlightening discussion about careers in law enforcement. We also had the privilege of hearing from Tianna Calderon and Kayla Erwin, Kennett students who have completed the Cadet program. Tianna is now pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice at Southern Maine Community College, while Kayla is a senior this year. In the upcoming weeks, our Intro class is set to visit the Conway Police Department for a K-9 demonstration. Additionally, next month, we are planning a field trip to Boston, where our students will have the unique opportunity to tour the oldest courthouse in the United States and observe arguments in the Massachusetts Supreme Court. Our advanced class in Criminal Law also received a visit from Lt. Mark Mudgett, who shared invaluable insights into a double homicide case he handled in 2001. The discussion revolved around Crime Scene Investigations and forensics, and we are exploring the possibility of organizing a field trip to the Crime Lab in Concord.



Culinary Arts (Bryant Alden and Mary Donovan): Our Culinary Program has had a busy start to the year. Sixteen students completed the Safe Food Handler Training, earning certificates of achievement from the National Restaurant Association. Our advanced students have been actively engaged in various projects, including preparing 300 assorted salads for the Jens' Friends Climb for Cancer. We are delighted to have the honor of hosting the Rotarians' breakfast meetings regularly, where our advanced students have been gaining valuable experience. Furthermore, we recently prepared coffee and pastries to serve 100 guests during the Kennett 100-year celebration organized by the Alumni Association. As we gear up for the opening of the Eagles Nest, our culinary students are diligently working on honing their math skills to cost out recipes for items to be sold. They are also actively involved in menu design and development, anticipating the soon-to-be opening to the KHS staff.

STEM Aviation (Joe Riddensdale and Scott Lajoie): Our Aviation program has taken flight once again with our brand-new Ranger N603ES, complete with the perfect tail number. Students have been actively participating in flight lessons, and we even have the unique experience of siblings, Joe and Molly DellaValla, taking lessons simultaneously.



CADD (Joe Riddensdale): The advanced class is undertaking an exciting project in our CADD program – creating bridges from popsicle sticks and other materials. These bridges will soon be evaluated for aesthetics, highlighting the students' creative and engineering skills.

Teacher Education and KHS Student Ambassadors (Kelley Murphy, Paul Cail): In a wonderful collaborative effort, our Teacher Ed students, KHS Ambassadors, and Construction Trades students came together to build the Kennett High School float for the 100th-anniversary parade. The float was a remarkable showcase of our school's spirit and history. Our dedicated KHS Ambassadors have also taken on a new responsibility – the morning announcements. They lead the school in reciting the pledge and keep us updated on sports teams, noteworthy events, and more. Their dedication and efficiency in this role have been commendable.





Outdoor Recreation (Darron Laughland): This semester's inaugural Outdoor Recreation class has had an impressive start. Alongside lessons encompassing geodesic dome construction, knot tying, GPS tracking, and other outdoor skills, our students have actively engaged in trail building within the Pine Hill Community Forest. They've also embarked on an exhilarating whitewater kayaking adventure, thanks to the invaluable guidance of our community partner, Great Glen Trails, and the experience was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Adding to the excitement, we've had guest visitors from Northeast Woodland School join our class, enhancing our learning environment with their unique perspectives. Furthermore, our program advisory committee (PAC) collaborated with the director at the Graniteer in Franconia over the weekend. The Graniteer hosts a remarkable outdoor lifestyle event, drawing in outdoor enthusiasts employers, second careerists, and service professionals. This weekend-long event combines family fun, inspiration, live music, outdoor recreation education, and thrilling adventures.





Where are They Now?



**Heather Purnell Lyon – KHS Class of 2010/Husson University - Hospitality & Tourism Management
Human Resources Director - St. Regis Hotels and Resorts – Park City, Utah**

Heather got her start by completing the Hospitality & Tourism Management program at MWVCTC. She is now a seasoned Human Resources Director with a proven track record in the industry. Her expertise spans various areas, including recruitment, training, employee benefits administration, property management systems, and conducting interviews. Heather brings a wealth of experience to her role, backed by her Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management from Husson University.

**Sullivan Gaudreault – KHS Class of 2019/Univ. of California Santa Cruz - Film and Digital Media
Documentary Filmmaker and Photographer for The Syrian Emergency Task Force
Washington, DC**

Sullivan “Sully” Gaudreault is a documentary filmmaker and photographer based in Washington, DC. With a BA in Film and Digital Media from the University of California, Santa Cruz, Sullivan has created films that have been screened around the world. His recent films exhibited at the United Nations and U.S. Congress, shed light on the complexities of the war in Syria and explored the issue of wrongful incarceration in the United States. Gaudreault's work is characterized by his unique ability to tell captivating stories that amplify the voices of marginalized individuals. Currently, Sully is working on a documentary about the aftermath of the earthquake in Northwest Syria and the Syrian Regime's exploitation of this tragedy to re-enter the global arena.