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The holiday season is a time of inspiration and compassion, when families come together to celebrate and the feeling of good-will is infectious. At Timberlane it is a time to be mindful of those who may be less fortunate than ourselves. This idea was the foundation for the project Mealey's Meals. Now in the projects thirty-fifth year, Mealey's Meals has grown from a class project to a district wide fundraising event.

It began this year in October with a spooky walk hosted for elementary students. Fundraising continued throughout November as the students of Timberlane Regional High School competed against other second period classes in a coin collection. Ms. Van Brunt's class raised over \$1,000 and was awarded with a breakfast. Mealey's Meals events in December included a Zumba-thon, comedy show, and art night at the Performing Arts Center. Staff and student groups created raffle baskets. On the day before break, staff and students collaborated in a basketball game, a dance-off and a battle of the bands.

All of the hard work and planning paid off. This year each child in a receiving household was gifted with hats and gloves, as well as enjoyable gifts for younger children. Additionally each family received gift cards for groceries. I want to thank all of the families, community members, and local businesses who made donations, and send a special thank you to our World Language teachers Carolyn Morse, Jamie Naylor and Sherri Allen for all of their hard work in organizing this year's events.

Sincerely,
Donald H. Woodworth
Principal

TRHS Forecast

Click on 'TRHS Forecast' to go to our school calendar.

- >> **Star Testing** 01/05 - 01/16
- >> FAFSA Information Night 01/06 | TRHS | 6:00 PM
- >> TRI-M Induction Ceremony 01/14 | PAC | 7:00 PM
- >> 24 Hour Play Performance 01/17 | PAC Recital Hall | 7:00 PM
- >> **No School PD Day** 01/20
- >> Mid-Term Testing (tentative)
 01/21 01/23
- >> Quarter 2 Semester I Ends 01/23
- >> Freshman Parent Night
 01/27 | PAC Recital Hall | 6:00 PM
- >> **Tri-State Math Meet** 01/28| TRHS | 2:15 PM
- >> Comedy Show 01/29 | PAC Recital Hall | 7:00 PM



From left to right: William Mealey Jr., Attendance Dean, William Mealey Sr., Founder of Mealey's Meals and former Principal of TRHS, Donald Woodworth, Principal, Carolyn Morse and Jamie Naylor, Spanish teachers.

The Guidance Department is excited to welcome back students from the class of 2014 on January 7th - January 9th. Our alumni will be here to share their first year college experiences with current TRHS students during lunch periods. Over 20 colleges will be represented by 30 of our graduates.

In January we also begin the transition process for 8th graders entering high school next year. Parents of incoming Freshmen are invited to come discuss transition, TRHS graduation requirements and the course selection process on January 27, 2015 at 6:30 PM in the PAC Recital Hall.

PRACTICING WORLD PEACE

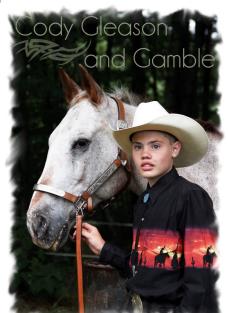
On November 15, 2014, our Model United Nations team showcased all of their hard work and preparation as they competed against sixteen other private and public schools from Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Five Timberlane students won awards, earning our team the Best School Award for outstanding performances.

Outstanding Delegate Awards are given out per committee and two Timberlane team members, Christopher Williams for the Manhattan Project Committee and Allie O'Connor with the NCAA Committee were honored with this award. Delegates that show exceptional performances in debate, public speaking and correct representation of their country's points of view. Best Delegate awards were given to Cailee Griffin in Security Council for debating the Falkland

Wars, Leonard (Jake) Chaput for debating nuclear proliferation in the Middle East, and Frances Skinner for her role in the NCAA committee. This award is given only to those delegates that show leadership amongst their peers at the conference by helping to create a resolution for the topic problem. These Awards are huge honors for each of the delegates and we are very proud of all the students who entered the participated



From left to right: Brian O'Connor, Christopher Williams, Jamie Huard, Tyler Connolly, Jake Chaput, Allie O'Connor, Ashley Jones, Cailee Griffin, and Frances Skinner





TIMBERLANE AND BEYOND

Sometimes as a school we are so focused on student academics that we forget how multifaceted and talented our students can be. In November we learned of two students travelling out of state for activities unrelated to Timberlane. Cody Gleason, a junior at Timberlane has been a member of New Hampshire's 4-H Equine Program for the past nine years. Over the years Cody has been the recipient of many awards, some of which include Year End Champion and the Sportsman's Award. This year

Cody was chosen to represent New Hampshire at the Equine National 4-H Horse Roundup in Louisville, Kentucky. The New Hampshire team practices every week for months, studying, quizzing each other, and taking field trips to judging contests and tack shops. Out of 26 states represented for the various contests this year, Cody and his team placed 4th overall in 'ludging' out of nineteen teams.

Over summer vacation, sophomore, Nolan Hennessey, attended a Marching Band Camp at Ohio State University for high school students. One of the friends Nolan made while at teachers and the support OSU suggested that he audition for the Macy's Great American Marching Band; an elite band that represents Macy's Department Store during their annual parade on Thanksgiving. Nolan auditioned in August via a YouTube taping and was accepted by the end of the month for this year's marching band.

"If it weren't for my I get at school through the music program I wouldn't have had this experience."

- Nolan Hennessey

Nolan's Macy's experience began the weekend before Thanksgiving, learning and rehearsing the music and the marching choreography. The band was lucky enough to be provided the space of a local Armory in New Jersey to practice all of their steps, working late most nights to perfect their movements. After practices, Nolan and his peers were given the opportunity to unwind and see the sights of New York City such as Times Square, the 9/11 Memorial and a chance to enjoy some shopping.

At 1:00 AM Thanksgiving Day, the band woke to practice a dress rehearsal in front of the Macy's store at 3:30 AM. The parade began at 9:00 AM, and as the country tuned in to the watch the famous Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, Nolan says that he was so focused on what he was doing that it was not until the end that he realized he had just performed for 3.5 million people along the parade route, and 50 million people on television.

For both boys, the friends they have made and the experiences they have gained because of their enthusiasm for their hobbies will last throughout their lives. We are so proud of their accomplishments and encourage them in their future endeavors.



Liam Kimball. named the Eagle Tribune's "Runner of the Year" for the 2014 cross-country season.