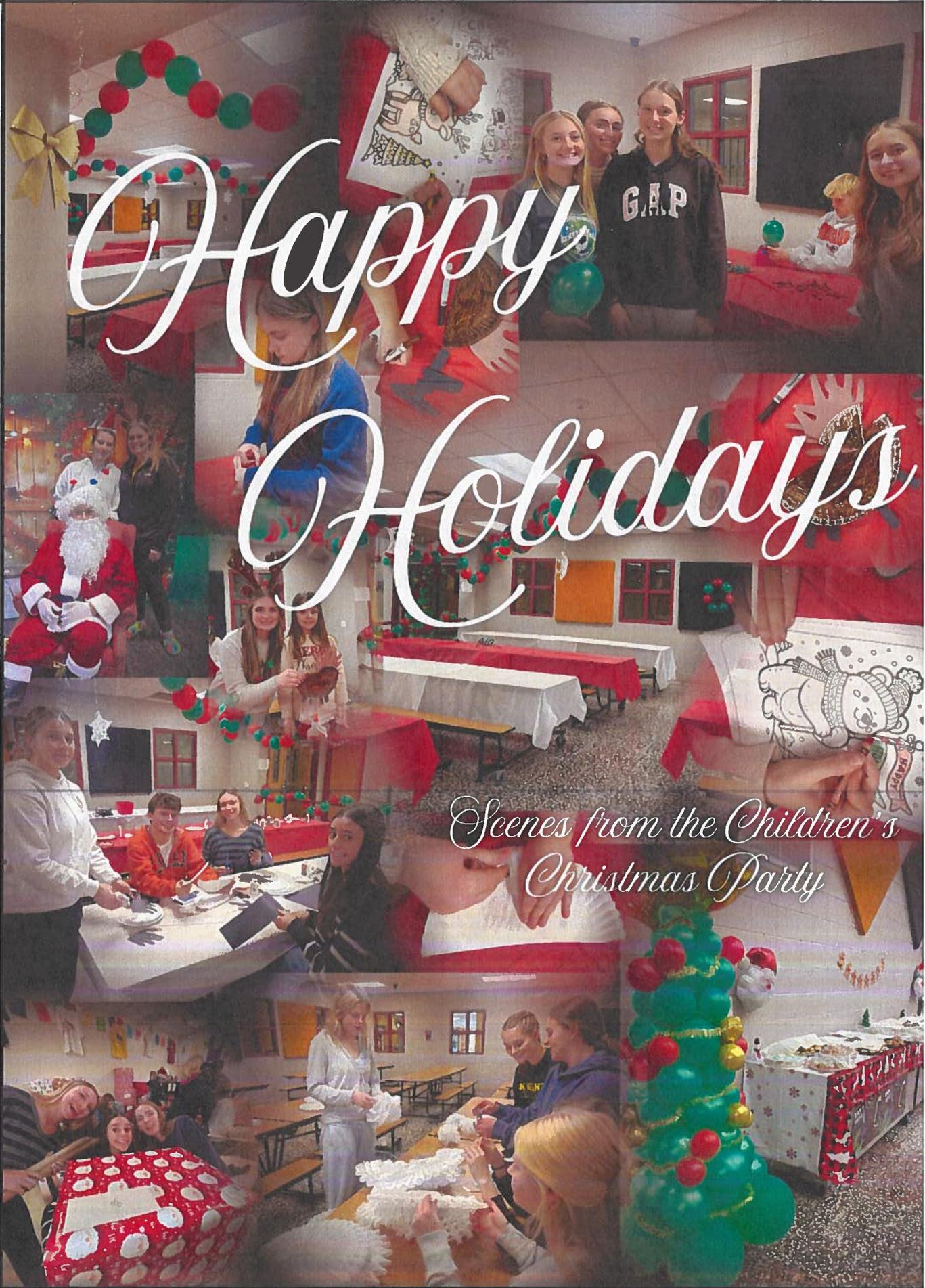


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# Happy Holidays

*Scenes from the Children's Christmas Party*

# LL Community

## Stranger Things Season 5: *The Final Battle*

A Review by Ariana Crothers,  
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\*season five spoilers contained



Season five of *Stranger Things* continues after the destruction left behind in Hawkins, where the Upside Down is no longer a threat. The town is changed, and so are the characters, who are forced to face the reality that things may never go back to normal. This season centers on the group's attempt to stop the Upside Down permanently, making every decision feel important and risky. One of the most important character arcs in season five belongs to Eleven. Throughout the season, she struggles with the pressure of being seen as the one who has to fix everything. Instead of relying only on her powers, Eleven learns that strength also comes from trusting others and accepting help. Her emotional growth is just as important as the action scenes, and it shows how far she has come since the first season. Other characters also face difficult moments that test their courage and loyalty. The group is sometimes separated, but their bond remains the heart of the show. Season five reveals more information about the Upside Down and why it is connected to Hawkins, helping the story feel more complete without explaining every mystery. The danger feels constant, and the show makes it clear that growing up sometimes means making painful choices. The acting in season five is powerful, especially during emotional scenes involving long-standing friendships. The darker visuals and intense soundtrack add to the serious tone of the final season. Overall, *Stranger Things* season five delivers a strong and emotional ending that focuses not only on defeating evil, but also on how the characters grow, change, and rely on one another until the very end.



## A Veterans Day Assembly to Remember

Mrs. Honeywell with Mission Academy students hosted a Senior High Veterans Day assembly. The assembly was the perfect way to showcase our appreciation to the veterans and teach fellow students about volunteering and giving back to our heroes. The band and chorus played patriotic selections that added to the festive mood! Our guest speaker was veteran and Lake-Lehman graduate, Eric Pimm. He spoke about the incredible opportunity we all have to give back to our community along with the significance of Veterans Day. A large group of veterans assembled on stage to participate in our round table discussion. It was the first time we had a veteran that had been drafted. He provided a unique perspective. The seventh grade read names of loving and deceased veterans in their families as a moving tribute to those who have served. Heroes Hearthstone, The Harveys Lake American Legion Auxiliary, Mission Academy and Junior High had tables in the lobby for volunteer information, scholarship information and card making.

### Attention Seniors

Please begin sending me your senior pictures in an email. I need all pictures by April 3rd. [simkow@llsd.org](mailto:simkow@llsd.org)

Pictures should be in portrait layout (vertical).

Answer the following for your high-school bio.

**Nickname**

**Quote**

**Activities**

**Favorite Memories**

**Future plans**

Back in October and November, some of our students in the gifted program participated in WVIA's Scholastic Scrimmage. Their matches will be on aired on WVIA at 7 pm on the following dates:

3/12 LL vs Holy Redeemer

3/19 LL vs Hazelton

3/19 LL vs Tunkhannock

4/2 LL vs Crestwood (Championship)

If you have a chance to watch our students compete, please do and support our Knights!





**From October through December this school year, Honors ELA 12 students collaborated with second and third grade Title I Reading students at Ross Elementary School in a program called "Senior Buddies." Under the direction of their teachers, Mrs. Comstock, Mrs Shipula, and Mrs Ferkel, Ross students practiced their reading skills and writing skills with the help of their "Senior Buddy." Seniors were paired with one or more elementary students for each session. Some sessions allowed Title I students to practice fluency and learn new vocabulary by reading their Reader's Theater play. Other sessions were more creative, incorporating STEM activities and creative writing that connected to the text.**

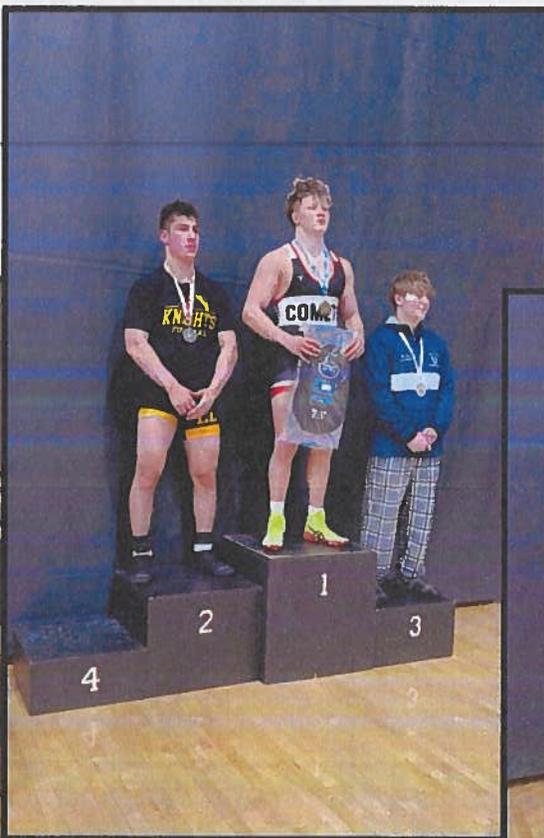
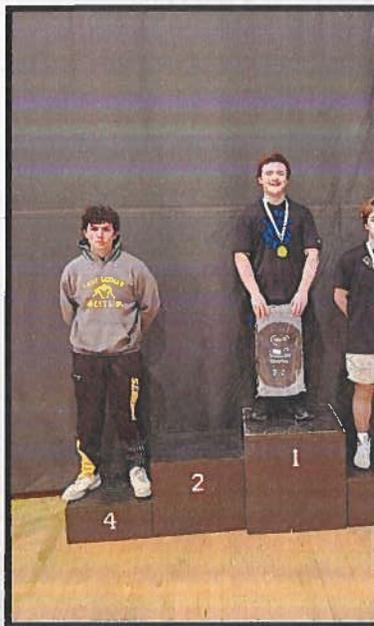
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**ALL STATE NEWS**  
**1st Team All State Field Hockey:**  
**Olivia Oliver and Gianna Decesaris**

**Wrestling**

Lake-Lehman boys varsity wrestling completed at the Wyoming Valley Conference Championship earlier this month. Final results were as follows

- Overall Team finished 6th
- 121- Deacon Pfeiffer -4th
- 172 - River Morgan - 4th
- 189 - Lukas Conte - 2nd
- 215 - Jaydon Skipalis- 3rd



# Key Club Continues Its Impact



## Communitree

Every year, the L-L Key Club sets up the “Communitree” in our lobby, and it is displayed with ornaments and various decorations that represent our school district, along with local organizations and even other local schools! This year, the tree was once again on display to shine bright in our lobby.

## Children’s Christmas Party

This year our club members helped out at the annual Children’s Christmas Party. In addition to sponsoring two children, we made chocolate covered pretzels with red and green sprinkles to add to the gift bags for the kids that were handed out as they met Santa!

## Salvation Army Bell Ringing

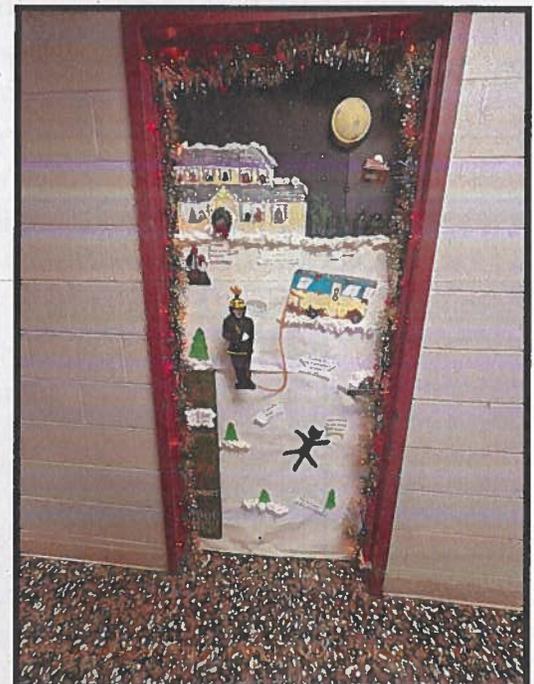
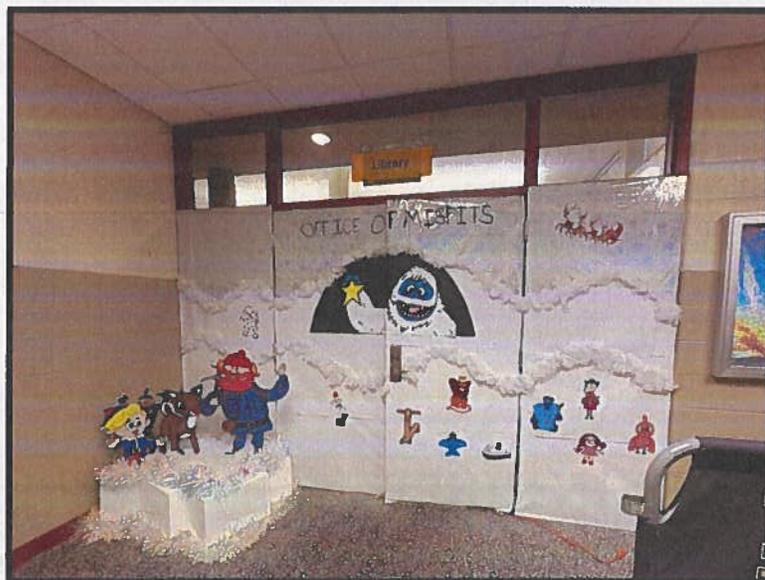
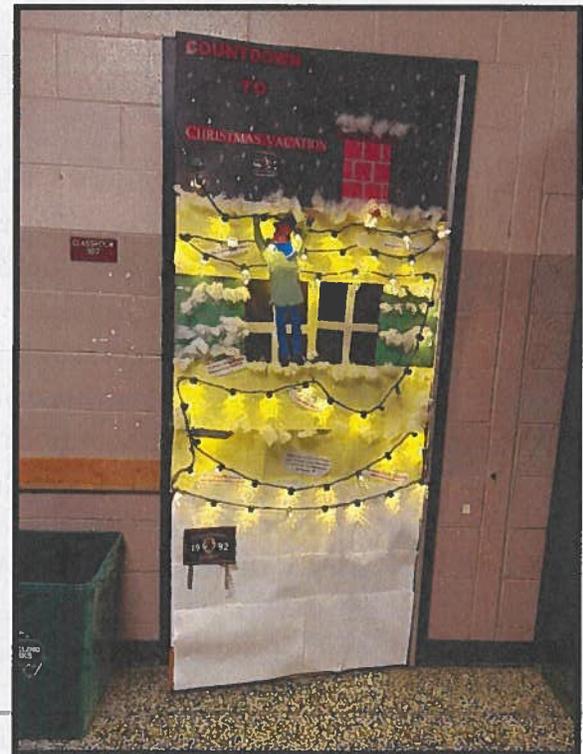
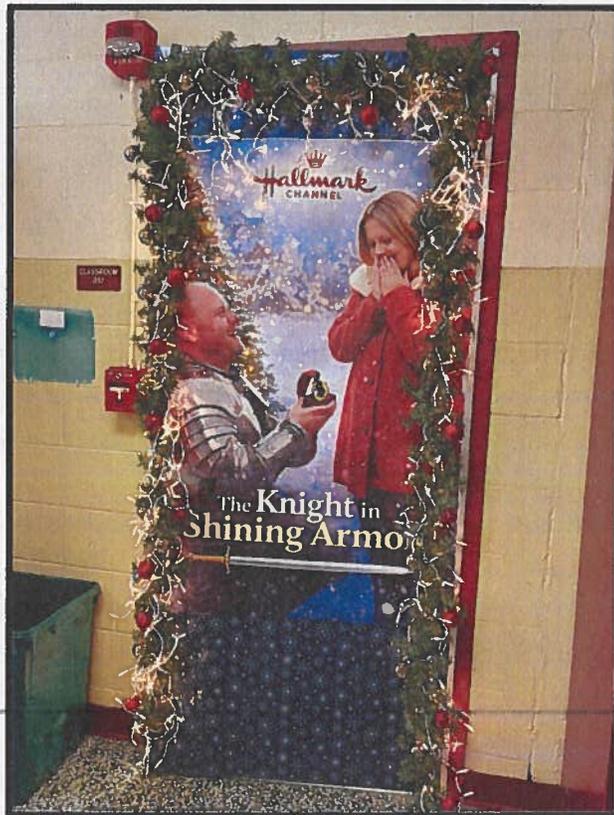
Over the holidays our Key Club members participated in the Salvation Army bell ringing event at “415 True Value Hardware.” Key Club Members and Dallas Kiwanis collected donations for the Salvation Army.

# CLUB CORNER



## “A Christmas Knight at the Movies” Door Decoration Contest

Around the holidays, one of Key Club’s most anticipated projects is our door decoration contests! This year the theme was “A Christmas Knight at the Movies.” Eighteen doors were decorated incorporating the Lake-Lehman Knight, and a Christmas movie. The Cafeteria took the first place spot in our competition with a collective score of 297/300!! Some favorites are pictured below.



## Fast 5+

*What was the best Christmas gift you've ever received?*

In *The Santa Clause 2*, where Scott Calvin (as Santa) saves a dull faculty Christmas party by using his magic to produce classic toys for the teachers, notably saying "This is Toss Across, Rock 'Em Sock 'Em Robots, and Easy Bake Ovens." In the same spirit, several faculty and staff members shared their favorite Christmas gifts.

**Mr Shaul**- For me it was an ancestry.com membership this past year. I've unlocked so many wonderful stories about my family heritage I didn't know about. One of my ancestors was a man named Gallus Dressler, a Renaissance Musician who wrote a major work on the foundations of music at the time.

**Mr Nice** - Nintendo 64—in 1997 it was under the tree to my glee

**Mrs Knepper** - A signed drum head from my favorite band Pink Atari. I was in 98th grade in 1998.

**My Hynick** - Boombox by Sanyo I took it on the bus and blasted ACDC. It was in 6th grade.

**Mr Kalinay**- Full Size Assembled Basketball hoop. It barely fit in the room. I was in 4th grade.

**Mr Sobocinski**- Tudor Electric Football with vibrating field and players. I still have it from 4th grade.

**Mrs Check** - a 1820's butler desk from my husband

**Mrs Bombick** - a new diamond from my husband because I lost my diamond doing laundry

**Mrs. Williams** - Barbie Airplane, Easy Bake Oven from Elementary School

**Mrs Vojtko**- a necklace I received this Christmas from my sister with my Mother's handwriting inscribed on it

**Mr James** - Black Schwinn Dirt Bike from Santa when I was in elementary. It was fully assembled with a yellow number plate on the front.

**Mrs Dyrli**- in 2019, my husband made me a puzzle table just in time for Covid.

**Mr Yankowski** - New Huffy bike when I was nine years old . Black paint, blue paint splashes.

**Mrs Cave-Mattie** -Cabbage Patch Dolls.

**Mrs Woronko** - Her first Cricut machine from her mom.

**Mrs Maciejczak**- Her first Christmas she received a white furball of a puppy named Natasha from her husband

**Mrs Finarelli**- my Nana's class ring

**Mr Albee**- Trip to Florida with my family

**Mrs Ungureit** -- Giant Art Set from 5th grade It had everything in it. It was bigger than me.

**Mrs Kilduff-Molino**--Casio PT-82 Keyboard from the early 80s :)

**Mrs Perillo**-My all time favorite christmas presents were home made ornaments my children made with me.

**Mrs. Honeywell**- Kitchenaid Mixer

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