

THE ADVENTURES OF PWS: SUPPLEMENT



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Boys' Volleyball

Will Marzina (10), Kenny Sellers (11), and Zach Taylor (12) await the serve.



Colin Dedert (8) jumps up to get a kill.



TJ Kunkel (11) blocks an opponent's hit.

Matt Carroll (9) digs Will Marzina's (10) hit in warm-ups.



Frank Czura (10) jumps to win the point.



The team lines up before the game begins.

"Beating North Allegheny in the WPIAL quarterfinals."

"My favorite game was against Penn Hills when we beat them in their own tournament."

"The PT game because Kenny, Jake, and I got yelled at by the parents."

What was your most memorable game?



Alex Pogue (12)



Jacob Innes (10)



Nicolas Ionadi (11)



Front row (L-R): Patrick Brennan (1), Will Marzina (10), Kenny Sellers (1). Middle row (L-R): Frank Czura (10), Luke Rhoades (1), Nicolas Ionadi (1), TJ Kunkel (1). Back row (L-R): Alex Pogue (12), Colin Dedert (1), Jake McGraw (1), Nate Albert (1), Zach Taylor (12).

SCORES

	us	them
Norwin	0	3
Hempfield	3	2
Greater Latrobe	0	3
Armstrong	3	0
Penn Hills	2	3
Gateway	1	3
Penn Trafford	0	3
Norwin	0	3
Hempfield	0	3
Greater Latrobe	0	3
Armstrong	3	0
Penn Hills	1	3
Gateway	2	3

Sports allow people to have the opportunity to make new friends and to explore possibilities within the athletic field. Volleyball is a sport built primarily from teamwork and communication among teammates. Luke Rhoades (11) thinks that "the most important aspect of volleyball is teamwork and hustle."

Doing your best to score points for your team is important. However, playing volleyball is sure to serve up some fun for the whole team, while passing on great techniques for future endeavors.

- Cassidy Soboslay & Sam McGowan

"The first game this season, because it was my first time as a varsity player."

"The game against Hempfield, where we had our first win of the season."

"The game against Penn Trafford, because the opposing parents yelled at us for cheering."



Frank Czura (10)



Zach Taylor (12)



Jacob McGraw (11)

Track & Field

Anthony Saccone (11) waits to start the 4x400 meter relay.



Corey Thomas (10) hands off to Kevin Brown (1) in the 4x100 meter relay.



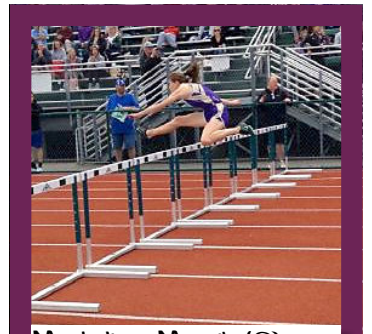
Giovanni Josephs (10) helps out by raking the sand pit.



The boys start their 800 meter run against Central Catholic.



Lucas Foster (10) flies high during the long jump.



Madeline Monik (9) runs the 100m hurdles at the Pine Richland Invitational.

"My favorite part is being surrounded by the people on the team."

"Suprisingly, hill workouts because each week there would be a new and harder challenge to overcome."

"I like the fact that track is an individual sport and a team sport at the same time."

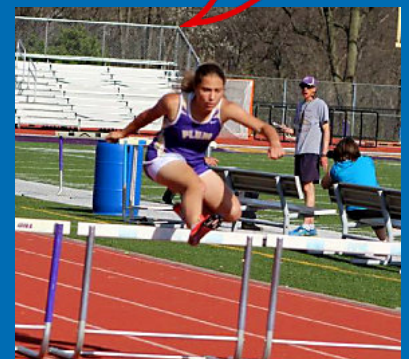
What is your favorite part of Track and Field?



Madison Yohe (12)



Steven Leone (10)



Alex Ralph (9)



SCORES

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Boys		
Springdale	111	20
Highlands	86	48
Franklin		
Regional	41	100
Woodland Hills	65	74
Gateway	52	88
Penn Hills	29	112
McKeesport	90	49
Central Catholic	63	78
Girls		
Springdale	129	6
Highlands	115	21
Franklin		
Regional	56	80
Woodland Hills	89	51
Gateway	74	67
Penn Hills	74	58
McKeesport	119	15
Oakland Catholic	72	69

Team Roster: Ashley Amato, Kayla Anderson, Shannon Barr, Mathieu Barron, Jessica Belgrave, Ana Benitez, Maddie Biertempfel, Kevin Brown, Aly Bryner, Shawn Cook, Mario Coreno, Reed Coulson, Nicolas Coxon, Cara DeGrano, Alyssa Diano, Carlee Domke, Karrson Ewing, Meghan Fitzroy, Lucas Foster, Noah Frederick, Mikaele Gautner, Evan Golubski, Conrad Hankinson, Carlos Henderson, Isaiah Hickman, Jason Hubner, Giovanni Josephs, MacKenzie Kieffer, Joshua Kruger, Emily Lawton, Steven Leone, Jake Lewis, Hunter Linhart, Xavier Lyons, Christopher Mamas, Natalie Marco, Megan Mascilli, Cole McKillop, Sean McKinzie, Jason Molinaro, Madeline Monick, Jenna Moorehead, Dennis Newton, Brennan Poole, Alyssa Proviano, Le'Ton Quao, Alex Ralph, Jamie Ratesic, Anthony Saccone, Jacob Schrock, Jarrod Schultz, Sidney Shanter, Mark Snider, Quinn Stezoski, Jacob Susalla, Ashton Teeter, Corey Thomas, Marcus Thomas, Ben Tishko, Jill Tishko, Christian Toth, Desiree Ulmer, Rachel Valotta, Andrew Wright, Maddy Yohe, Zachary Zdobinski

2016 has been a great year for track. On top of having a great season, multiple records have been broken. Ashley Amato (12) broke the long jump, 100 meter dash, and 100 hurdle records, Ana Benitez (12) broke the triple jump record, Jacob Susalla (12) broke the 3200 meter record, and Rachel Valotta (12) broke the 1600 and 800 meter records. Record breaker Ana Benitez (12) says, "It is an honor to contribute to Plum athletic history and be a part of a record breaking season!"

~ Julia Messina, Lauren Slane, & Rachel Valotta

"Being with friends but also getting better each day."

"My favorite part of track is the team."

"Practices with the team."



Cole McKillop (10)



Cara DeGrano (11)



Carlee Domke (11)

Softball

The team congratulates Hannah Adamski (12) on senior night.



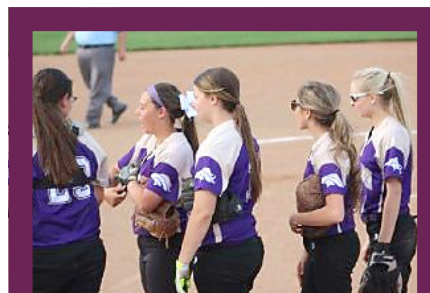
The players observe a moment of silence for a former teammate's family.



Rayna Donatelli (11) fields a ground ball.



The team is full of smiles on picture day.



The Mustangs get ready to shake hands with the other team.



Delenn Poe (11) shows focus during the game.

"Hitting home runs."

"Being with friends."

"Having my team support me on and off the field."

What do you like most about playing softball?



Hannah Adamski (12)



Nicole Polakovic (11)



Tara Marcyjanik (11)



Front row (left to right): Brittney Shanter, Delenn Poe, Amanda Dynoske, Michaela Palmieri, Hannah Adamski, Rayna Donatelli, Nicole Polakovic, Tara Marcyjanik, Olivia Wendell. Second Row: Sara Corcoran, Cheyanne Burris, Alyssa Craver, Melinda Pivik, Keri Bellisario, Sidney Young, Gabrielle Fischetti.

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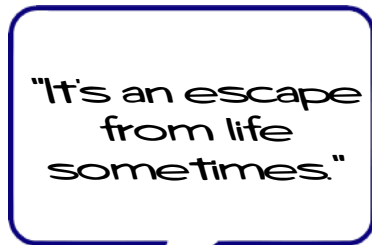
Greensburg	5	3
Salem		
Valley	14	1
Shaler	0	10
Penn Hills	8	2
Gateway	4	6
Alderdice	19	4
Woodland	14	2
Hills		
Fox Chapel	4	3
Franklin	5	8
Regional		
Ligonier	3	6
Valley		
Upper St. Clair	4	1
Penn Hills	7	2
Gateway	5	3
Alderdice	19	0
Penn	2	11
Trafford		
Franklin	7	3
Regional		
Woodland	7	0
Hills		
Fox Chapel	2	7
Burrell	8	10
North	3	7
Allegheny		

Each year, there is always a group of seniors that have to wrap up their sporting careers. However, in this case, the Mustangs are losing only one senior, Hannah Adamski. The team had a successful season this year with a record of 11-8. Michaela Palmieri (11) said "I was satisfied with how this season went. Knowing that we have practically the same team next year shows good signs of another strong season." The young team is excited to continue on and improve their record for next year.

-Lexi Dudding & Mandy Majocho



Sidney Young (10)



Olivia Wendell (9)



Gabby Fischetti (9)

Girls' Lacrosse



Juniors Alyssa Monroe and Shannon Soboslay take a break during the senior night game.



Samantha Casile (9) chases the opponent down the field during their final home game.



Carlie Sipe (12) cradles the ball as she attempts to score.



The Plum Varsity Mustangs get pumped up before the game starts.



Shannon Soboslay (11) awaits the call being made.



Three seniors pose for an intimidating photo.

"My entire family grew up playing so I was exposed to it at a young age. It was a chance for me to play on my own team."

"To try something new and different. I like that it is all about technique."

"I wanted to have a sport on my transcript, but then I actually enjoyed it."

What made you want to play lacrosse?



Samantha Casile (9)



Gianna Palmieri (11)



Lauren Williams (10)



Back Row (L to R): Carmen Veltri, Emily Walsh, Zoe Ward, Alyssa Linderman, Olivia Gains, Cole Wigglesworth, Nadia Freeman, Emma Lawton
 Third Row (L to R): Yalissa Washington, Carly Glover, Victoria Turchick, Sara Pearlman, Lauren Williams, Tifani McElhouse, Jamie Denzer, Samantha Casile
 Second Row (L to R): Alexa Stawski, Lillian Paul, Madison Lipert, Gianna Palmieri, Shannon Soboslay, Alyssa Monroe, Taylor Fusco, Alexandra Ralph
 Front Row (L to R): Jessica Belgrave, Lindsay Kadleck, Angel Robinson

SCORES

us them

Hempfield	5	20
Cardinal Wuerl	9	12
Indiana	6	19
Greensburg Salem	7	19
Freeport	6	13
Norwin	15	16
Aquinas Academy	8	19

For some, a team is a group of peers that play the same sport and aim to achieve similar goals. Although this is true, for the Plum Mustangs girls lacrosse team, being a part of this team holds a different meaning as well. To them, it means being a part of another family; one who share great times on and off the field. For midfielder Alyssa Monroe (11), "The team is like a family to me. Getting to meet new people makes the sport all the more fun!" Although they may not have had a winning record, the team made many memories that will last them a lifetime.

-Maddie Gestrich & Emma Carroll

"I wanted to try something new, but I quickly began to love it."

"My neighbor is the coach, so she asked me to play, but I grew to love it!"

"Since it was a new sport, it was not very popular. Plus, a lot of my friends were playing."



Alyssa Monroe (11) Ashtyn Sparrow (12) Amber Raitano (10)

Boys' Lacrosse



Jacob Banta (12) watches his teammates during the game.

The boys celebrate in a huddle after a great win.



The team watches the game from the sidelines.



Plum boys try to score a goal on the opposing team.



Players face off at the start of the game.



Elliot Peterman (11) and Garrett Montgomery (12) are all smiles.

"To be with my friends and have a good time."

"I have a lot of friends on the team."

"I joined because it looked like a fun sport and my friends played"

Why did you decide to join lacrosse?



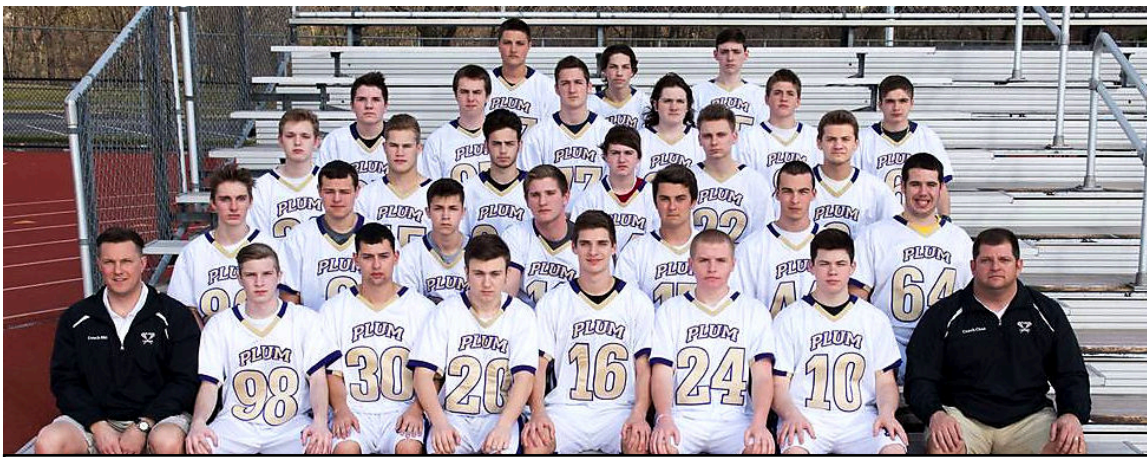
Dante Bernardi (11)



Joseph Durso (12)



Elliot Peterman (11)



SCORES

us them

Hempfield	5	15
Norwin	3	13
Knoch	3	12
Penn Trafford	3	16
Hampton	0	15
Franklin		
Regional	5	15
Alderdice	6	5
Gateway	7	14
Aquinas		
Academy of	10	9
Pittsburgh		
Winchester	9	8
Thurston		
Vincentan	9	13
Academy		
Gateway	7	12
Shaler	2	22

Front row left to right: Head Coach Tom Wesolowski, Jakob Lefchick, William Rhoades, Logan Martin, Frank Casile, Garrett Montgomery, Stephen Sheilds, and Assistant Coach Chas Casile

Second row left to right: Alexander Miller, Jacob Banta, Thomas Melchiore, Tye Alu, Nolan Hulick, Joseph Durso, and Dylan Dominkush

Third row left to right: Matthew Hartley, Dominic Hodil, Shane McCallum, Elliot Peterman, Jordan Cortazzo, and Nino Fischetti

Fourth row left to right: Colin Patton, Daniel Dominkush, Michael Rihn, Ryan Miller, Seth Norcutt, and Dominic Alese

Fifth row left to right: Nicholas Huber, John Kadlecik, and Alexander Robinson

Lacrosse is a fairly new sport brought to the high school and has become very popular. "I think lacrosse is a fun sport to play with your friends and makes you learn how to work as a team," said Joseph Durso. The team had an unforgettable season and is looking forward to next year because of how well they work together.

-Alyssa Ioannou & Haley Jacobs

"I wanted to be a part of something new at the high school"

"I played before and I really enjoy the sport."

"I always thought lacrosse was interesting and when I found out we finally had a team, I signed up as soon as I could"



Nolan Hulick (12)

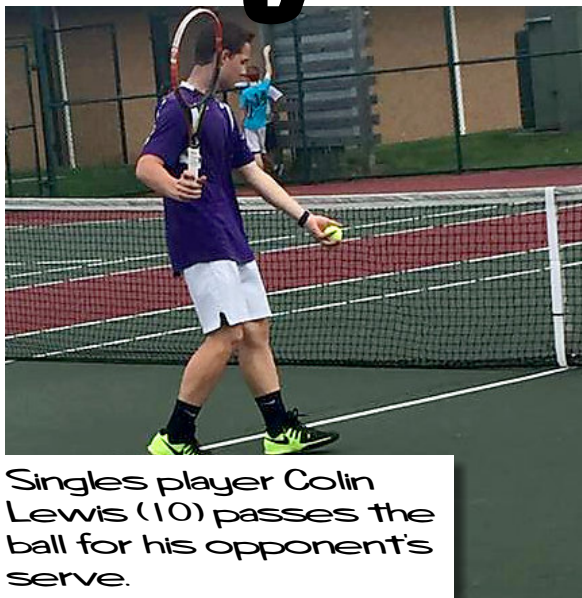


Alexander Miller (12)



Nino Fischetti (11)

Boys' Tennis



Singles player Colin Lewis (10) passes the ball for his opponent's serve.



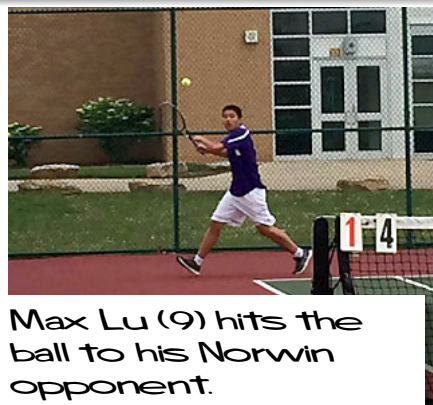
Doubles partners Ola Owoputi (12) and Evan Neff (10) warm up for their match against Norwin.



Ryan McIntosh (10) anticipates play



George Laris (12) and Vincenzo Tavella (11) play one last game as doubles on senior day.



Max Lu (9) hits the ball to his Norwin opponent.



Ola Owoputi (12) attempts to keep the ball in play.

"Being named the #1 singles player, and being co-captain."

"Chenz Logic and the Big Cheese Worm."

"Witnessing the Asian Invasion every practice."

What is the most memorable thing about boys' tennis?



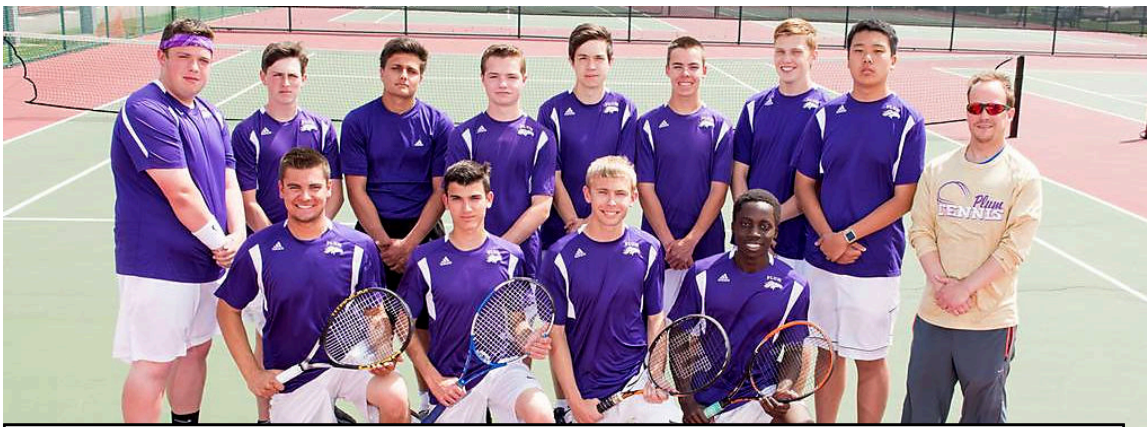
Matt Bohinski (12)



Max Lu (10)



Ola Owoputi (12)



Front Row L-R: George Laris (12), Matt Bohinski (12), Nick Palmer (12), and Ola Owoputi (12)
 Second Row L-R: JJ Jenkins (10), Blake Gendron (10), Vincenzo Tavella (11), Colin Lewis (10), Ryan McIntosh (10), Josh Boland (10), Evan Neff (11), Max Lu (10), and Coach Wilf

SCORES

	us	them
Burrell	5	0
North Hills	3	2
Riverview	5	0
Kiski	2	3
Latrobe	0	5
Connellsville	5	0
Penn Trafford	0	5
Indiana	1	4
Hempfield	2	3
Armstrong	5	0
Valley	4	1
Norwin	1	4
Highlands	4	1
Gateway	4	1
Franklin	1	4
Regional		
Woodland Hills	5	0
Shaler	5	0

The boys' tennis team had an amazing season with a record of 10 wins and 7 losses. The team had many returning seniors including top ranked Matt Bohinski (12), Nick Palmer (12), and Ola Owoputi (12). The team played many tough opponents including Franklin Regional. Doubles player Vincenzo Tavella (11) said, "Winning 50% of the sets they played" was his biggest accomplishment of the season. He hopes to continue to improve for his senior season. Congratulations to all of the players on the team, and good luck to their seniors. We hope the team can have even more success in 2017!
 - Ashley Pellegrino & Brianna Reitz

"Beating JJ Jenkins every day and winning the first match of the season and my first match ever."

"'Tia' from Burrell."

"The family sized bottle of mustard ~JJ Jenkins."



George Laris (12)

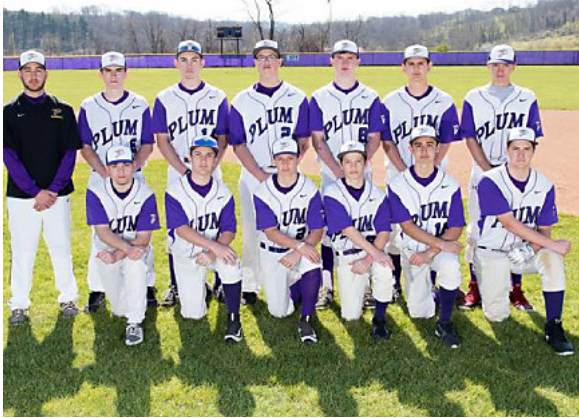


Colin Lewis (10)



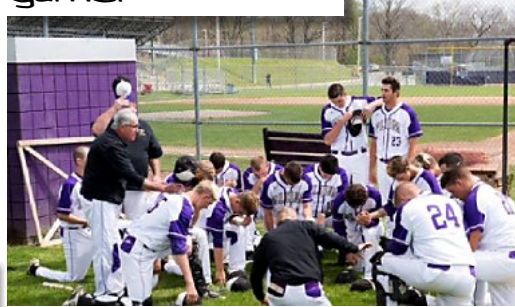
Evan Neff (11)

Baseball

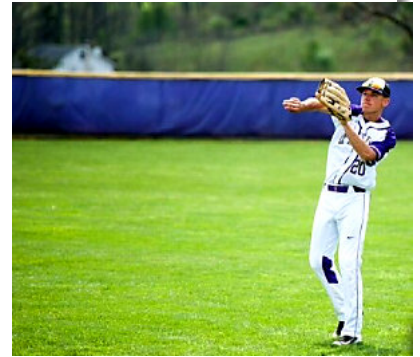


Freshman team: Back row: Coach Michael Wallace, Andrew Serakowski, Justin McKenna, Alexander Giles, Logan Simmons, Jared Simmers, Jackson Rogers, Front row: Nicholas Alverson, Cameron Anderson, Dominic Carlisano, Brendan Tuite, Markus Cestra

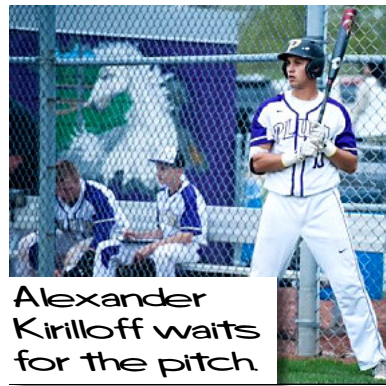
The team prays before a big game.



Michael Anderson warms up before a big game.



JV team: Back row: Ian Dryburgh, Michael Rapneth, Brody Simmons, Justin Schmidt, Joseph DePastino, Anthony Frazetta, Spencer Wilson, Front row: Tanner Conklin, Tallon Auth, Gino Marra, Chandler Yocca



Alexander Kirilloff waits for the pitch.



Jason Maltese gets ready to run home.

"To work hard and do the best I can do."

"To help the team reach the playoffs by pitching"

"Playing hard to get the win."

What were your goals for the season?



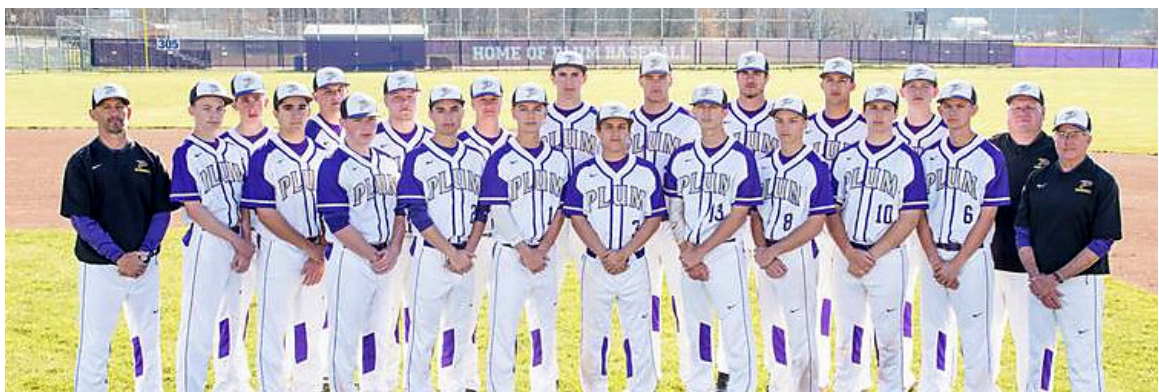
Tallon Auth (9)



William Rumcick (10)



Ryan Kircher (10)



Varsity team: Front row- Coach Vollmer, Brandon Kelly, Justin Sembower, Nicholas Workman, Taylor Vivino, Nicholas Frazetta, Thomas Zummo, Jason Maltese, Ryan Binkley, Peter Zullo, William Rumcik, Coach Back row- Ryan Kircher, Michael Anderson, Alexander Terrell, Joshua Kirkpatrick, Robert Deemer, Zachary Nolan, Ethan Winesburgh, Alexander Kirilloff, Tanner Froehlich, Coach Larry Wayman

SCORES

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Shaler	16	5
Gateway	5	2
Allerdice	11	0
Brashear	10	0
McKeesport	8	0
Fraqnklin	4	0
Regional		
Gateway	8	5
Brashear	15	1
Allerdice	17	0
Norwin	6	4
McKeesport	3	1
Franklin	4	0
Regional		
Fox Chapel	14	4
North	3	2
Allegheny		
Seneca	3	2
Valley		
Canon-	7	5
McMillan		
Woodland	4	0
Hills		
Peters	2	0
Township		
Hempfield	3	0
Norwin	3	7

This year the boys baseball team went undefeated 20-0. "It took a lot to get to this point but we worked together and practiced hard to make it this far" Taylor Vivino (12) said. The baseball team also went to Florida in April for a tournament, and went 3-0. "It's a great experience, and I love going there every year" said Ethan Winesburgh (12).

-McKenzie Rihn,
Alyssa Proviano, & Ramsy Donatelli

"To win the section."

"Become WPIAL champions."

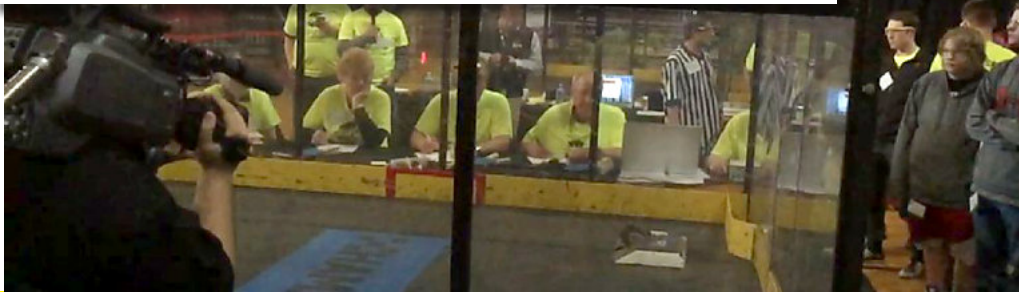
"To play to the best of my ability and to help my team win and do well."



Nicholas Frazetta (11) Taylor Vivino (12) Ethan Winesburgh (12)

Spring Events

The robotics team deeply concentrates to win the Bots IQ State Championship.



There are many extra curricular activities that students get involved in. Students chose to join many different clubs and participate in after school activities. Many of these events take place in the spring time, giving the students many opportunities to make great memories with their friends and but also helpout with the school.

- Madison Cheripka,
Abigail Costa &
Rebecca Lee



Marissa Durst (11) and Santina Schofield (11) pose with Iceburg at the annual lipdub.



Marissa Beighley (10) and Amanda Martin (10) took first place in the state for student service.

"This made me think before I get behind the wheel"

"It's made me reevaluate every decision i make for now on."

"I will never ever drink and drive."

How did the SADD mock crash impact your decision making?



Leah Ruggiero (12) Lisa Reddington (12) Nolan Hulick (12)

Ashton Teeter (12) makes a foul shot during the First Annual Intramural Basketball Tournament sponsored by student government.

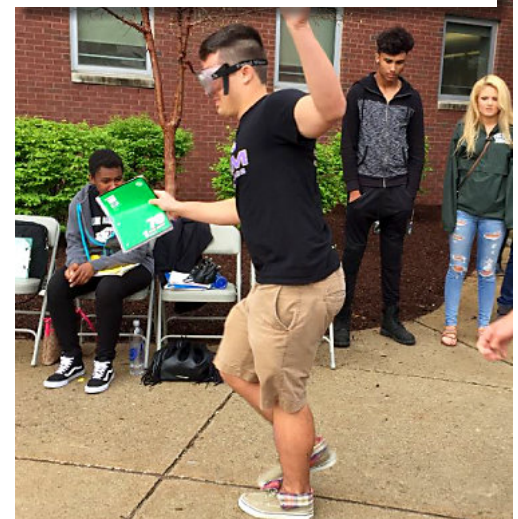


GLA members spruce up Laird Cemetery by landscaping.



Nate Hoff (12) and Alivia Koch (12) pose for a picture with the DUI safety car that came to Plum High School for students to drive.

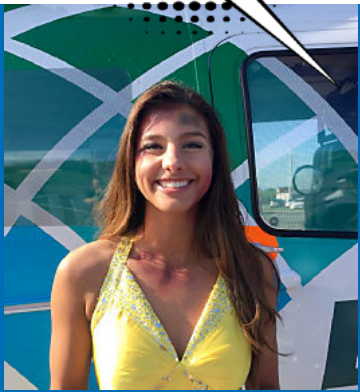
Nolan Hulick (12) experiments with drunk goggles at SADD's DUI car event.



"i will think twice about the choices i make."

"After this experience, i will never drink and drive!"

"I will double think before doing something bad"



Samantha Kolar (12) Carlos Henderson (12) Kailey Zalevsky (11)

Music Concerts



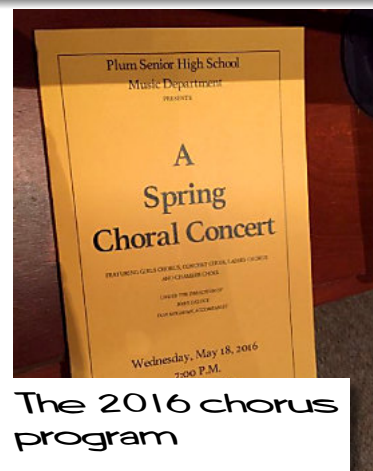
A group of seniors take a picture with Mr. Bronkaj.



McKenzie Rihn (12) and Lisa Reddington (12) pose for a picture.

After months of practicing the students prepared for their concert. From practicing in class, to studying the music at home, they are prepared. Their nerves build as they wait to go on stage. Finally they go out. They play a successful show and are very proud. The practice led to perfection.

-Annie Monfredi & Brandy Mudrich



The 2016 chorus program

"I practice at home before an upcoming concert."

"We all put in a lot of effort into practices during school, which prepares us for concerts."

"Practicing at home helps me for the concert."

How do you prepare for a concert?



Ryan Binkley (12)



Kailee Altieri (12)



Meghan Lukac (12)



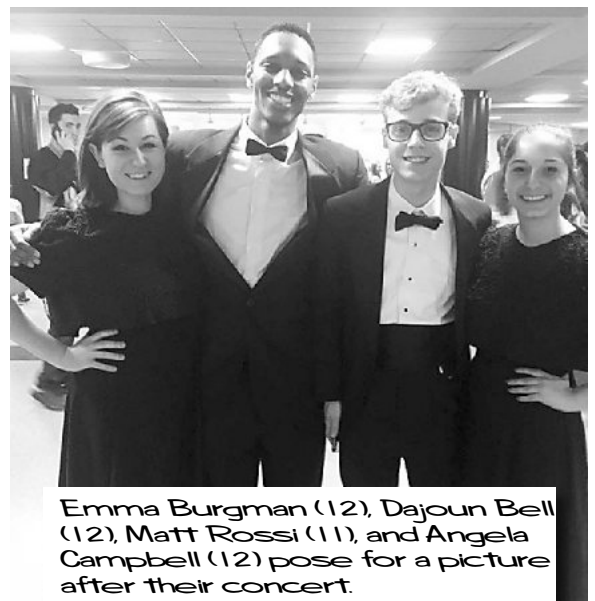
Meghan Lukac (12), Amanda Nichols (11), Matthew Bohinski (12), and Sean Moore (12) stop for a selfie before going on stage.



The seniors pose for a picture after their final band concert.



A group of seniors take a picture after their concert.

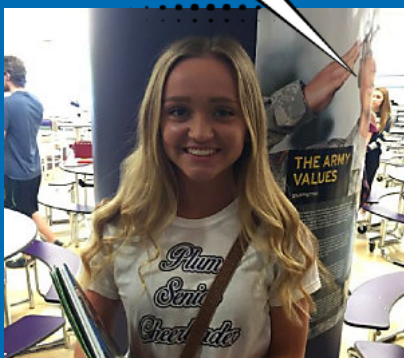


Emma Burgman (12), Dajoun Bell (12), Matt Rossi (11), and Angela Campbell (12) pose for a picture after their concert.

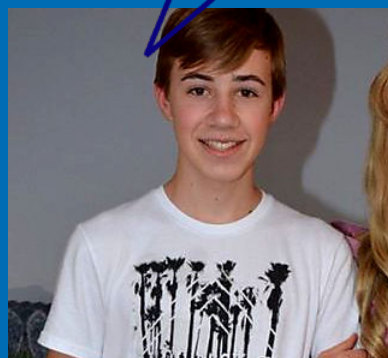
"We practice a lot on the risers."

"Being in class and preparing as a whole."

"Listening to the instruction from Mr. Deluce."



Lisa Reddington (12)



CJ Beegle (12)



Alexa Nolan (12)

"Cinderella"

Karen Dopico (10), playing the Fairy Godmother, talks about Cinderella's dream of going to the ball



We all know the story of Cinderella, and Plum's production accurately represented the fairy tale we've grown to love. Emma Burgman (12) plays Cinderella, who with the help of her Fairy Godmother, Karen Dopico (10), is able to attend the royal ball. Prince Charming, played by Travis Jenkins (12), falls in love with Cinderella during their magical night. However, she runs away at midnight and loses her glass slipper. With Plum's personal touches of humor and entertainment, the characters take the audience throughout the exciting journey of finding the Prince's true love.

-Julia Prokopik & Madison McDade



Madi LoAlbo (11), Jordan Williams (11), and Marisa Panichella (11) smile for a picture together before the show.



Emma Burgman (12) and Travis Jenkins (12) dance at the Prince's ball

"Performing at PHS for the last time with my friends."

"Having the opportunity to work and hang out with amazing people."

"Having the chance to make new friends that I never plan to lose."

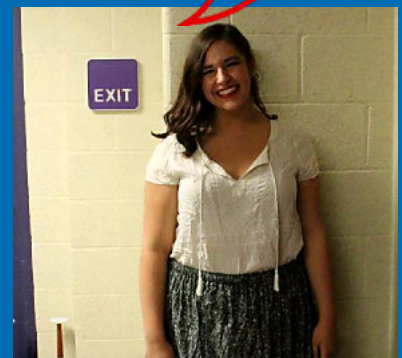
What was your favorite part about this year's musical?



Lisa Reddington (12)



Logan Tomko (12)



Brianna Allison (11)

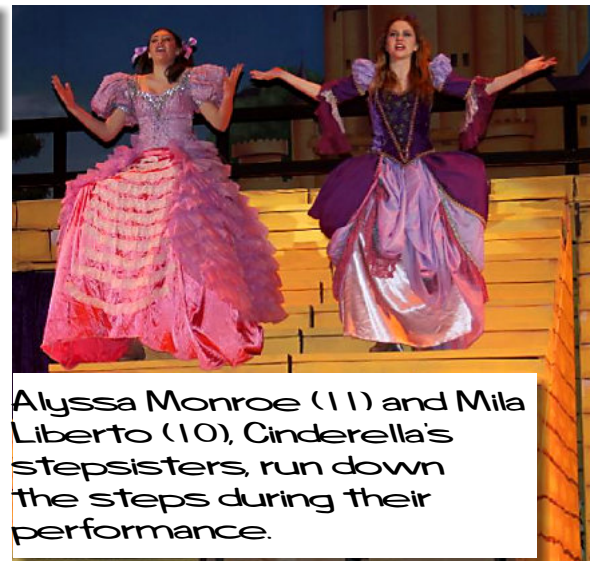


Ashley Pellegrino (12) tries on Cinderella's glass slipper in hopes of becoming the next princess.

Emma Burgman (12) magically changes outfits during the show.



The entire kingdom gathers to celebrate the marriage ceremony of Cinderella and Prince Charming, and they live happily ever after.



Alyssa Monroe (11) and Mila Liberto (10), Cinderella's stepsisters, run down the steps during their performance.

"Meeting new people that made musical a great experience."

"Getting to see how all our hard work pays off and comes together during the performances."

"Experiencing my first musical with some of my best friends."



Todd Griffin (10)



Ryan Gallagher (10)



Zoe Nonnenberg (9)

Prom



Our first male prom court gathers for a picture.



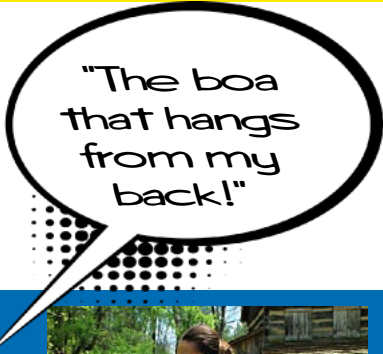
Lisa Reddington (12) and Jenny Campbell (12) show off their two pieces.

Prom is a magical night for students. This is the time of the year where every girl can feel like a superstar! Everyone puts on their prettiest gowns and their nicest suits; it's almost equivalent to going to the Grammys or a Met Gala. "This will be a night to remember," Jordan Williams (11) said while at prom. Prom will always be a great memory that students can cherish forever.

-Micahla Pierce & Taylor Winston



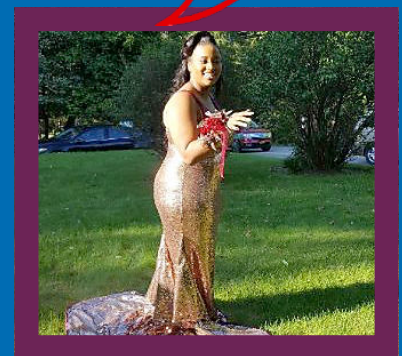
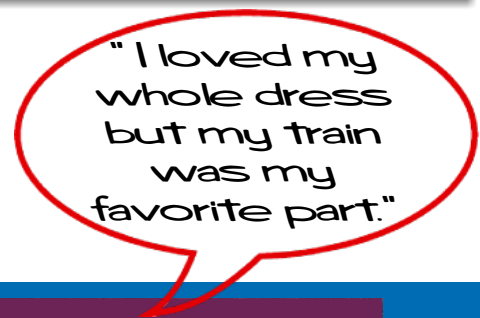
Chelsea Cerra (12) and Maddy Yohe (12) take a picture before prom.



Ramsy Donatelli (12)



Lexi Dudding (12)

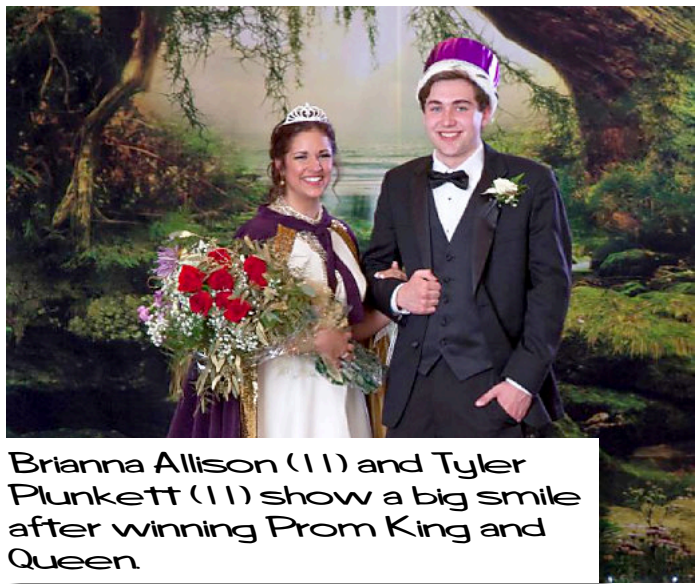


Micahla Pierce (12)

What was your favorite part of your dress?



Prom court poses for a group picture during prom.



Brianna Allison (11) and Tyler Plunkett (11) show a big smile after winning Prom King and Queen.



Best friends Micahla Pierce (12) and Taylor Winston (12) take a group photo with their dates, Billy Kisner and Kevin Brown (11).



Ashton Teeter (12) and his date Maddy Cheripka (12) enjoy their senior prom together.

"I don't know, I loved my whole dress."

"The color when it sparkles!"

"I loved the slit in my dress!"



Taylor Winston (12)



Natalie Marco (12)



Heidi Nixon (12)

Graduation

A group of friends take pictures before the ceremony.



Tommy Zummo and Damian Bisceglia pose for a picture after receiving their diplomas.

Since the beginning of high school, everyone has been looking forward to graduating. High school always flies by, but these seniors are now Plum High School alumni. Leaving high school is a big step into the real world for the class of 2016. All of the seniors will hold on to the memories they have made throughout their high school experience. Whether these students are going to college, trade school, or getting a job, they have all succeeded in some way. Congratulations to the class of 2016 and remember once a Mustang, always a Mustang!

Brianna Schlegel & Emma Hall



Ramsy Donatelli, Nick Pampena, Ashton Teeter, and Alyssa Proviano get ready for the next journey.

"Kent State University."

"University of Pittsburgh."

"La Roche College."

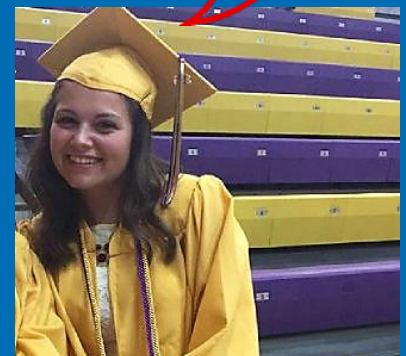
Where will you attend college?



Mandy Majocha



Madison McDade

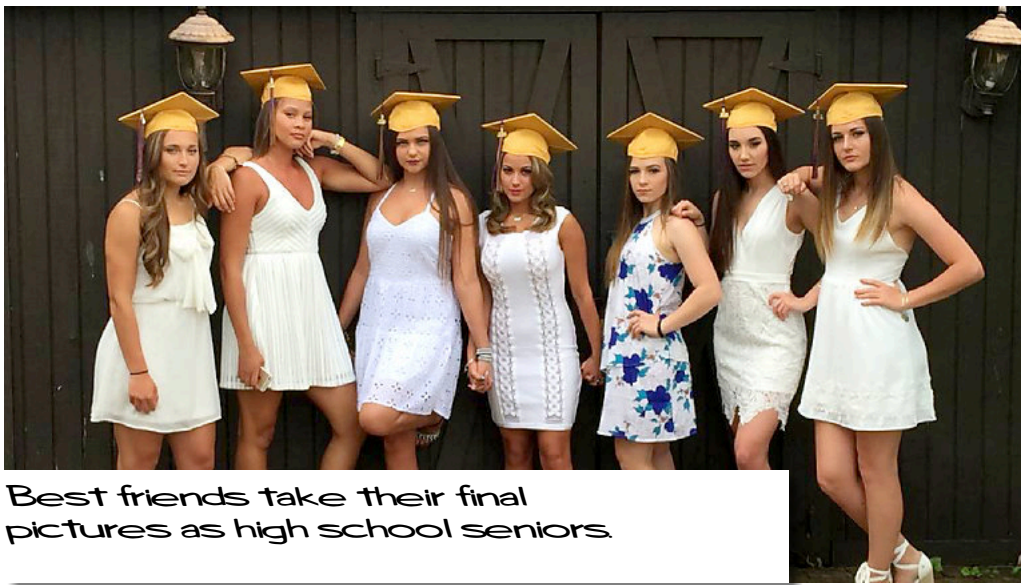


Marissa Dent

The class of 2016 waits for the graduation ceremony to begin!



Matt Saich gives an emotional speech at the ceremony.



Best friends take their final pictures as high school seniors.

Siblings Kathleen and Patrick Crossey congratulate each other.



"Pennsylvania State University."

"West Virginia University."

"West Virginia University."



Meghan Lukac



Lisa Reddington



Sam Kolar