2011-2012 Awards and Recognition

**Brighthouse Sports Breakfast of Champions**

Hagerty High School was well represented at the Brighthouse Sports Breakfast of Champions last week. The event highlighted all sports programs and their respective "Athletes of the Year" for Seminole County. Pictured from left to right in the front row are Mikaela Renfro (Soccer), Amy Ankli (Cross Country), McKinlee Hand (Water Polo), and Kelly Greenwood (Cheerleading). The back row, left to right, consists of Ira Smith (Basketball) and Jason Coombs (Swimming).

**Hagerty Speech and Debate Team National Bound**
Good luck to three of Hagerty’s students who will be competing over Memorial Day weekend in Washington D.C. in the National Speech and Debate Competition. These 3 students qualified for this intense competition by ranking within the top 6 students in the Region. Daniella Hankey will be competing in the Speech event of Poetry and Prose Oral Interpretation. Chris Reilly and Shivan Vyas will be competing as a team in the Debate Competition of Public Forum. Hagerty is proud of you. Good Luck and Go Huskies

Congratulation to the students and staff of Hagerty High School for their outstanding 2012 FCAT scores!

Once again our students demonstrated exceptional ability with their district placement. We are very proud of their work and the work of our teachers to meet the ever increasing demands of the Florida Accountability Program and make learning and achievement the priority at Hagerty High School. GO HUSKIES

9th FCAT Reading Scores | 10th FCAT Reading Scores

FCAT Writes Scores

Hagerty High School Ranks as the Number 1 High School in Seminole County!

On Wednesday May 9th, the Hagerty JROTC Battalion commander, C/LTC Jonathan Malmstrom, and Marksmanship captain, C/SGT Cody Lamasters received a check from Peggy Osborn the president of the Oviedo Women's Club. The club generously sponsored three cadet marksmanship camp fees that Hagerty cadets will attend in Anniston, Alabama this summer. Five Hagerty cadets will attend the camp that is instructed by Olympic and collegiate marksmanship athletes.

Congratulations to Carter Richard

for being selected as a winner in the 2012 National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) Achievement Awards in Writing. A total of 1,107 juniors were nominated by schools from across the country with 274 chosen as outstanding writers. Carter was the only winner
from Seminole County and one of 13 from the state of Florida. We are proud of you, Carter!

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**Congratulations ESOL students for doing a fantastic job!**

ESOL students from their Developmental class dressed up for their presentation research projects. Students were supposed to research various military branches and identify specific wars that occurred in the United States. The ESOL students did an outstanding job such as implementing power point, videos, and some dressed up in the J.R.O.T.C. uniforms.

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**Congratulations Voices of Hagerty**

This past Saturday the Voices of Hagerty took home a gold medal and was the overall Grand Champion at the Orlandofest Music Competition at Universal Studios.

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**Congratulations to the Hagerty Women's Chorus**

who received straight superior ratings on stage, marking the first time any chorus in the history of Hagerty has received the overall superior rating at the state level. In addition superior ratings were won by soloists: Ashley Miller, Monica Oquendo, Ryan Findlay, Alan Muise, Elizabeth Pitts, and Tenille Tomengo.
The entire faculty and staff at Hagerty High School want to congratulate our Top Ten Seniors of the class of 2012!

- **Valedictorian** – Michael Scimeca
- **Salutatorian** – Paulina Le
- Sarah Ankli
- Bradley Baker
- Kaily Benedict
- Andrew Gisel
- Alyssa LaTrobe
- Rachel Nowotny
- Heidi Rossow
- Tyler Yeargain

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**Congratulations, Jaime Benedict**

Congratulations to Jaime Benedict, who was recently awarded a scholarship to the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program. Jaime, a HHS sophomore, will spend her junior year on a youth exchange program in Germany. Her scholarship includes the international airfare, language and cultural immersion program in Germany, accommodations/meals with a volunteer host family, and her school enrollment in Germany. The program lasts approximately 11 months. Again, congratulations, Jaime!

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**Congratulations to Dean Edun, Andrew Gisel, Justin Mosier, Randy Nielson and Joe Ricci** of "The ReDeamers" on making it to the final round of judging in the "Own Your C.O.D.E." business ethics competition. The C.O.D.E. competition, sponsored by the Florida Council on Economic Education, challenged secondary school students to solve an ethical dilemma by applying economic principles in a corporate context. You can read more about the C.O.D.E. competition on the FCEE's website.

In order for The ReDeamers to win the competition, their video entry must receive the most "likes" on the FCEE's YouTube page. Voting opens at 10:00am on April 16, 2012 and
closes at 5:00pm on April 27, 21012. Individuals may vote once per video, and anybody can vote. Click here to vote for the ReDeamers!

Husky Trot 5K Results - 2012

Over 240 registered runners participated in the 7th annual Husky Trot 5K this year. Earning overall victories at the race were Hunter Menning, 16:52 and Bryce Seymour, 18:11 (new course record) in the student division. Overall champions in the adult division were Doug Geiger, 20:43 and Stephanie Watts, 24:36. Congratulations to all runners and thanks for the support! Please click here for a complete listing of the top ten finishers in each division.

Hagerty High School Shines at State Math Competition

Hagerty High School's Mu Alpha Theta Chapter competed at the Florida State Convention on April 20 - 22. Each student competed in four different tests, as well as various team and engineering competitions along with over 1100 other students from across the state. Congratulations to Brad Bentz who placed 1st in Logarithms and Exponents and 14th in Matrices and Vectors, Adam Berlinski with his 8th place finish in Statistics and 14th place in Gemini with Paulina Le, and Eric Anschuetz who placed 14th in BC Calculus. The statistics team continued their reputation of being one of the strongest in Central Florida by placing 9th in the entire state. Hagerty High School earned 3rd place in the Poster competition where, the team led by Heidi Rossow and Adam Jensen, had one day to produce a poster with the theme "Mayan Mathematics."

Congratulations to all the students who participated and represented the Hagerty chapter of Mu Alpha Theta with such amazing results!
Saturday, April 21st during a Military Officer's Association of America (MOAA) luncheon in Altamonte Springs, JROTC Cadet Battalion Commander Spencer Wiesner was awarded a $1000 check to be used for educational purposes and a "Cadet of the Year" plaque. Cadet Wiesner was earlier interviewed in front of a board of officers and was one of nine cadets chosen to receive the award. Cadets in 11 JROTC units in Orange and Seminole counties competed for the award.

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**Journalism staffs win All-Florida awards**

Members of the BluePrint and Fusion staffs earned 16 All-Florida awards, the second highest total in the state. All-Florida awards are the highest distinction given by the Florida Scholastic Press Association, and only 194 were awarded statewide in 23 categories.

Newspaper winners: Sarah Casagrande - news, Jack Schwartz - sports feature, Robyn Smith - general design, Sabrina Chehab - review writing, general design, front page design, infographic

Yearbook winners: Isabelle Sarnek - photography, Kaylie Catlin - theme development, Holly Fohr - copy writing (two awards), Taylor Fohr - homecoming coverage, Destanie Hoppe - theme development, typography, Sarah Ankli - theme development, design
Congratulations to the Husky Debaters who competed this past weekend at the Griffin Growl Novice tournament for their final competition of the year.

Accolades were awarded to Danielle Mikell for 3rd place in Oral Interpretation, 6th place to Maj Hamed in Oral Interpretation, and Coach of the Year to Ms. Julie Love. The Varsity debate team has their last competition at the National Tournament hosted in Baltimore, MD over Memorial Day weekend and will be sending Daniella Hankey, Chris Reilly, and Shivan Vyas to compete at this prestigious event. Good luck Debaters!

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**Congratulation to the Hagerty Jazz Program!**

On Tuesday, April 3rd, the Hagerty Jazz Ensemble 1 & 2 traveled to Gainesville, FL to participate in the State Jazz Music Performance Assessment. 75 Jazz groups participated in the state wide festival. Three Collegiate Adjudicators critique and rate the bands from all across the state. Jazz Ensemble 2 received straight Excellent ratings. Jazz Ensemble 1 received the highest rating possible; Straight Superiors. These ratings give Hagerty the great honor of being the first school in Seminole County history to rate Superior for two years in a row at states. Hagerty was also one of only 4 schools in the state to have more than one ensemble qualify and perform at states.
**Hagerty Majorettes** competed this past weekend at the NBTA Florida State Championships. They placed 2nd overall.

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**Jason Coombs wins National Title, Nuszkowski advances to National Championships**

Hagerty Swimmers, Jason Coombs and Danielle Nuszkowski provided top performances at the Club Swimming Junior National Championships last week in preparation for their upcoming national team meets. Coombs earned a title at the meet with a time of 1:05.1 in the 100 Meter Breast. Coombs beat out 1,400 other competitors for the win. Nuszkowski’s mark of 9:01 in the 800 Meter Free qualified her to compete in the atu 10K Open Water National Championships in April. Congratulations and good luck to both Jason and Danielle in the upcoming events.

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**Congratulations to the Hagerty High School Girls Water Polo Team**

for a Third Place win at the Lake Nona Invitational Tournament this past weekend!
Unleashed Dance Team Wins Big!

The Unleashed Dance Team closed out their competition season on Saturday, March 10th at Seminole High School with their most successful competition yet. The ladies scored straight high superior ratings and choreography awards on all 7 of the team routines that were brought to the competition as well as receiving high point honors for 3 of the routines.

The Varsity squad also was recognized with a technique award. In the end, the JV squad finished 10th overall and the Varsity squad finished 3rd overall out of 50 teams! These wins are added to the State Title earned by the JV squad during marching band season and the Varsity national ranking of 17th earned at the National Dance Team Competition as well as other regional wins.

The ladies will round out the year with the annual Spring Show on May 11 at 7 pm in the HHS Auditorium. If you are interested in auditioning for the 2012-2013 team, there is a mandatory parent meeting, Thursday, May 17th at 6:30 in the HHS Media Center; tryouts are on Thursday, May 24 and Friday, May 25 from 6-9 in the HHS Competition Gym.

Congratulations to all the participants attending the Grand Finals qualifying tournament this weekend at Lake Mary Prep! A special congratulations goes out to the following students who QUALIFIED FOR NATIONALS and are now headed to the National Tournament in Baltimore, Maryland to compete among the top teams in the nation:

- The PF team of Chris Reilly and Shivan Vyas
- Oral Interpreter Daniella Hankey

Excellent job, debaters!

Hagerty Basketball Final Four Bound - Class 8A Region 1 Champs!

With their 74-69 win over visiting West Orange High School, the boys will travel to the Lakeland Center for the FHSAA Final Four on Friday and Saturday of this week. On Friday, the Huskies will face Vero Beach High School at 7:00pm for a berth in the Class 8A State Championship game on Saturday at 8:30pm. Tickets for the FHSAA Final Four are $9.00. For more information related to the event, including directions, please visit www.fhsaa.org and utilize the following links - SPORTS - BOYS BASKETBALL.
Congratulations to our SECME team who competed at UCF in the Florida Regional Competition this past Saturday exhibiting their knowledge of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math(STEM) through their rocket design.

Their team (Husky Rocketeers) competed in The Water Rocket competition and won 2nd place overall. Plus, received an award for the Best Technical Drawing in the competition. A big congratulations goes out to team members (Zack Carlson, Marissa Torres, Cara Petrullo and Emily Feldt) who spent many hours preparing and testing their rocket to achieve success. Hagerty High is very proud of your accomplishment!

The Hagerty Husky Debate team returned from Boston, Massachusetts Tuesday evening after four days of competing at the prestigious Harvard Invitational Debate Tournament. The Husky debaters were among the 300 of the top debate schools in the
country and left with winning records. Please congratulate the following students on a successful tournament this past weekend: Michael Scimeca, Taylor Scimeca, RJ McGregor, Chris Reilly, Daniella Hankey, Snigdha Ila, and Peggy Brocke! Congratulations debaters!

Congratulations to both teams 4227 (Kiss My Bot!) and 4717 (Estrogenius) who competed in the FIRST Tech Challenge State Robotics Competition this past Saturday, at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. FIRST® Tech Challenge (FTC®) is a mid-level robotics competition for high-school students that helps them learn to design and build robots with both radio and autonomous controlled behavior using the TETRIX® Robot System.

This is the first year that both teams represented Hagerty at the state level. Being only two years young, this is quite an accomplishment! The top 32 teams from across the state of Florida qualified to compete at this level. Team 4227 placed 8th overall while Team 4717 placed 28th. We are extremely proud of both of our teams and are ecstatic that we are the only school with an all-women’s team!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our administration, mentors, coaches, and parents who have been instrumental in our successful season. We could not have done it without you. Our next competition is the ION Mini Urban Challenge in Valpraiso, FL.

National Merit Finalists
Andrew Gisel, Will Henken, Bailey Frei, and Taylor Haywood
Congratulations to Erick Manley!
Erick has committed to play football at Greensboro College next season.

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Jazz Ensemble 1 & 2 Rates Superior at District Contest

The Hagerty High School Jazz Ensemble 1 & 2 performed at the FBA Jazz Music Performance Assessment on Thursday, February 9th. Both bands had incredible performances. Three adjudicators assessed the bands' performance, training, and skill. Both bands were awarded Superior (the highest rating possible). This distinguishes Hagerty as the first High School in Seminole County history to have two jazz ensembles rate Superior. These ratings have also qualified the jazz program for State for the 3rd year in a row.

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Hagerty Band Success at Solo and Ensemble District Contest
80 students from the Hagerty band program participated in the District Solo and Ensemble contest. Students from all Seminole and Volusia County band programs performed their solos and/or small ensembles before judges at Seminole High School this past Friday and Saturday. 65 students received superior ratings and another 12 received an excellent rating. They did a great job representing Hagerty High School.

**Winter Guard Competes at first Regional Championships of season**

The Winter Guard competed this past Saturday at the WGI Orlando Regional Championships held here at Hagerty High School. Over 1,000 performers in 42 guards attended this event from all over the state. Following their preliminary round performance Hagerty qualified for the Finals round of competition where they performed for an over capacity crowd in our very own Gymnasium. Hagerty placed third in their class! Congrats!

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**Congratulations to Andrew Rhodes** on his 4th place finish at this weekend's Class 3A Region 1 Wrestling Tournament. Andrew advances to wrestling's version of the "Sweet 16" and will wrestle in the State Tournament this Friday & Saturday. Great job Andrew!

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**PTA Reflections Program Winners**

**Congratulations! Tyler Hasterman** and **Robert Burke** received recognition from SCCPTA for their entries in the national **PTA Reflections** program with this year’s theme “**Diversity Means...”**. Tyler is the Winner in the Senior Division for Literature. His submission now goes to Florida PTA level competition. Robert Burke received an Honorable Mention in the Senior Division for Literature. The PTA Reflections Program offers a creative outlet for any student to share their talents in Literature, Music, Photography, Dance, or Film and Visual Arts. The theme for 2012-2013 will be announced later this spring. For more information, go to **ptareflections.org**. Way to go Huskies!
The Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Society had their second regional competition at Hagerty High School on Saturday February 4th.

Our students competed against other math teams from across all of Central Florida. Adam Berlinski and Amy Dickerson placed first and second respectively in the Statistics Individual division, while Paulina Le, Thomas Carpino, Robert Gaydos, and Michael Scimeca placed in the top 12 Individual Statistics division. Stephen Barbari placed 12th in the Precalculus Individual, and Andrew Gisel and Eric Anschuetz placed in the top 15 Individual Calculus division. Our Algebra 2, Precalculus, and Calculus teams placed third, and the Statistics teams placed second and third. In the Sweepstakes Hagerty brought home the third place trophy. We are very thankful for the support of the parents and volunteers that helped make this event so successful for Hagerty High School. We look forward to our last regional competition in March at Seminole High School.

SCPS Science Fair

The Science Department would like to congratulate the following students for the public defense of their independent research projects at this year’s SCPS Regional Science Fair:

Tyler Schulte, Jon Le, and Karl Kostelyk (Mentor – S. Zietlow) How Air Flow Through a Trumpet Affects Frequency 1st Place Sr. Division Physics, Siemens Special Award, and Army Special Award

Jaime Benedict and Lauren Holladay (Mentor – R. Jannotti) Effects of Carbonic Acid on Mollusks with Calcium Carbonate Exoskeletons 1st Place Sr. Division Biochemistry,
Mingoia Memorial Special Award

Kayra Montanez, Jaymi Curran, and Jessica Nguyen (Mentor – R. Jannotti) How Anti-Frizz Hair Products Work Honorable Mention Sr. Division Chemistry

The first place winners also won cash prizes and may advance to the Orlando Science Center Science Challenge and State Science Fair. We are very proud of them and look forward to more students participating in science fair in the future through the diploma of distinction option.

Last Saturday seven ASL students competed in the Seminole County World Language Festival.

They walked away with 5 Superior, 13 Excellent, and 1 Good. Please congratulate the following HHS students for their excellent performance and dedication.

Dalymar Boccheclamp Native
Rachel DeScalzo ASL 1
Kimberly Woodman ASL 1
Nicole Shiery ASL 2
Morgan Breunle ASL 2
Andrea Hammontree ASL 2
Vanessa Schuchart ASL 3

The Mid-Florida Wrestling Officials Association voted to select the wrestling team for the 2011-2012 Sportsmanship Award. This reward recognizes JV and Varsity wrestlers who display the key characteristics of good sportsmanship both on and off the mat.

Next up for the Huskies: the Class 3A District 2 Tournament at Deland High School this Saturday, Feb. 4.
Congratulations to the Hagerty High School Debate team for an excellent tournament this past weekend at Wekiva High School. Hagerty not only had the most participants at the event, but the Huskies were the most winning team of the tournament receiving the following accolades:

- Samantha Daniel- 1st place in Oral Interpretation
- Samantha Daniel- Top Novice in Oral Interpretation
- Shamara Bawa- Top Novice in Dramatic Interpretation
- Kyle Medin- Top Novice in Lincoln Douglas
- Will Henken- 1st place Varsity Lincoln Douglas
- Nick Maeir- 3rd place Varsity Lincoln Douglas
- Tyler Yeargain- 2nd Place Congress
- Michael Scimeca- 2nd place Congress
- The team of RJ McGregor and Taylor Scimeca- 2nd place Varsity Public Forum

City of Oviedo honors the Hagerty Band

On Monday, January 23rd, the City of Oviedo made a resolution honoring the accomplishments of the Hagerty High School Marching Band for winning the Florida Class 5A State Championship. The Directors, Student Leadership, and HHSBBA Board were honored with a plaque by Mayor Persampiere stating the resolution and a sign for our band room and in the community. Congrats Hagerty Band!
The PTSA would like to congratulate this year's Hagerty High School Reflections participants.

Tyler Hasterman is a senior winner in literature and Robert Burke earned a senior honorable mention. Entries for Reflections provided a creative outlet for participants to share their talents in Literature, Music, Photography, dance, Film and Visual arts. Way to go Huskies!

The varsity wrestling team placed a program best 6 wrestlers at the Seminole Athletic Conference Tournament this past Saturday.

The team was led by Jake Rasberry (Champion at 160 lbs.), Mason Johnston (Champion at 195 lbs.), Austin Schroeder (2nd at 120 lbs.), Dan Reilly (3rd at 106 lbs.), Alex Wiggins (4th at 126 lbs.), and Joe Alves (4th at 285 lbs.). The JV were led by Champion Chris Davis (126 lbs.). The Huskies placed 4th overall.

The Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Society had their first regional competition at Oviedo High School on Saturday January 21. Our students competed against other math team from across all of Central Florida. Adam Berlinski, Amy Dickerson, and Paulina Le placed in the top 10 Individual Statistics division, and Chang-Hyun Choi placed in the top 15 Individual Calculus division. Our Algebra 2 team placed second, the Precalculus team placed fourth, the Statistics teams placed third and fifth, and the Calculus team placed fourth. In the Sweepstakes Hagerty brought home the third place trophy.
Congratulations go several Hagerty wrestlers on their performance at this weekend's Lake Mary Tournament of Champions. The Huskies posted a top 10 finish behind the efforts of junior Austin Schroeder (champion at 120 lbs.), senior Jake Rasberry (runner-up at 160 lbs.), and Andrew Rhodes (3rd place at 145 lbs.). Austin was also named the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler, posting 4 victories by pinfall on his way to the championship, 3 of those coming in the first period. Jake Rasberry joined the "Century Club" by earning his 100th career win at this tournament. His career record currently stands at 103-42 and joins 2010 alum Joey Wagstaff as the only two wrestlers in program history to accomplish this feat.

Kiss-My-Bot Robotics Team won first place in the RobotFest held at Spruce Creek High School Saturday December 10. The first place win secures the team a spot in the state finals to be held at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach on February 18, 2012. Team members that traveled to SCHS include: Stephanie Underhill, Rohith Kasireddy, Sarah Backhaus, Jessica Carrion, Andres Carrion, Austin Pleasants, Trevor Goodwin and Bradley Terry
Congratulations to the Hagerty High School Debate Team for their performance at the Timber Creek High School Debate Tournament this past Saturday. It was a great day and the team did a phenomenal job. A special congratulations to Michael Scimeca placing 1st in Varsity Student Congress, Nick Maier placing 1st in Varsity Lincoln Douglas, Snidgha Ila and Peggy Brocke placing 1st in Varsity Duo Interpretation, and Shivan Vyas and Dan Natal placing 4th in Varsity Public Forum. Great job Husky debaters!
Congratulations to Helen Reed HHS Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Miguel Castro HHS School Based Employee of the Year

Hagerty JROTC took 1st place in the entry level unarmed mixed squad drill competition at Winter Springs HS Saturday, December 3rd.
Commanding the squad was Hunter Dechau and team members were Bethany Bailey, Megan Boyd, Matthew Medla, Steven Burton, Carter Cassidy, and Samuel Ortiz. Hagerty JROTC also took 2nd place in the fitness competition beating 7 other teams. Team members were Nishad Vaidya, Devin Wiesner, Stephan Hartig, and Matthew Medla.

**The Huskies took 3rd (out of 12 teams) at the 11th Annual Shark Invitational.**

The team went 3-0 in their pool before falling to Okeechobee & Port St. Lucie in the finals. Dan Reilly (4 pins), Austin Schroeder (4 pins), Alex Wiggins (2 pins), Anthony Maccagnano (2 pins), & Jake Rasberry (3 pins) all went undefeated on the day. The team improved its record to 8-6

**Team scores:**
- Hagerty 24 Vero Beach 23
- Hagerty 45 Hernando 30
- Hagerty 78 Martin County 0
- Hagerty 40 Okeechobee 42
- Hagerty 26 Port St. Lucie 54

The JV team went 3-2 at the Celebration Duals Tournament on Saturday, with Matt Schoaff leading the Huskies with a 4-1 record.

**JV Team Scores:**
- Hagerty 21 Cypress Creek 9
- Hagerty 12 Gateway 6
- Hagerty 12 Celebration 6
- Hagerty 12 Harmony 17
- Hagerty 6 Timber Creek 37
Congratulations to Ricky Basen who made the All Central Florida First Team for Bowling. Daniel Kosiba placed on the Second Central Florida Team. Andrew Rich was also honored by the county.

Both Ricky and Daniel are on the SAC All Conference Team. Andrew Rich made the SAC Second Conference Team. Good Job Boys!

Hagerty Debate: George Mason Invitational

Daniella Hankey has been invited to compete in the prestigious George Mason Invitational National Debate Competition in Fairfax, Virginia. Daniella will be representing Hagerty High School in this competition from December 2 to December 5. Daniella has been invited to compete in three different events: dramatic interpretation, prose interpretation and poetry interpretation. George Mason invites top high school speech and debate students to this competition.

Congratulations Daniella, Good Luck, and Go Huskies.

Congratulations to Dr. Romina Jannotti who was named High School Teacher of the Year by the Orlando Section of the American Chemical Society. Beating out nominees
from 7 counties, Dr. Jannotti will be honored at the annual ACS banquet in December. She was nominated by UCF professor, Dr. Stephen Kuebler, for her dedication to her students and for her work in developing new methods for teaching chemistry.

Congratulations to the following students for being selected to the 2012 Seminole All-County Honor Band:

- Rachel Nowotny
- Nikki Nowotny
- Alex Christodoulides
- Todd Leighton
- Ryan Morrison
- Gavin Hall
- Brian Hall
- Tyler Schulte
- Thomas Newman
- Alexia Perez
- Carly Sherlock
- Kailey Krupar
- Shelby Krupar
- Chris Venci
- Matt Projahn
- Nathan Tardrew

Hagerty Marching Band
5A State Champions!

On Saturday, November 19th, the members, directors, staff and parents of the Hagerty Band Program traveled to St. Petersburg, Florida to compete, for the first time, in the FMBC Florida State Championships. Over 105 bands from all across the state competed in 5 classes (1A-5A).
The top 5 bands in each class would move on to compete at the State Finals in the evening. At the conclusion of Prelims, Hagerty won the Best In Class Color Guard/Dance award and qualified to advance to Finals.

After starting their day at 6am, the Band, Color Guard, and Dance students entered Tropicana Field to perform last in their class.

They had an ELECTRIC Performance – their final and best of the year. The crowd went crazy with a standing ovation.

During the awards ceremony, Hagerty was awarded the Class 5A State Champion, receiving the highest score of any band in attendance and the 5th highest winning score in State Championship history.

An incredible finish to an incredible year.

Hagerty art students participated in Oviedo's great day in the Country last weekend.

Congratulations to the following students for their awards:
Jay Gehret  - Third Place for his mask sculpture Sabrina Chehab - 2 Honorable Mentions, one for her mixed media piece and one for her watercolor and ink Justion Moser - Honorable Mention for his graphite drawing

Florida Vocal Association All State Students 2011

Reading Chorus:
Mitchell Samuelson (Only Student in Seminole County to make it)

Mixed Chorus:
Monica Oquendo
Congratulations to Travenor Kent, recipient of the Oviedo Womens Club, Great Day in the Country $500 scholarship. The scholarship honors excellence in the Arts. Trav is HHS first member of Marching Band and Humanities to have received this recognition.

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8 Hagerty Students Selected For All-State

This year, the Hagerty Band Program had a total of 8 students selected to be a part of All-State. For the first time in school history and the only student selected from Seminole County, Tyler Schulte was named to the All-State Jazz Band. Shelby Krupar, Todd Leighton, and Matt Projahn were selected for the 9-10 Grade Concert Band and Rachel Nowotny, Nikki Nowotny, Carly Sherlock, and Alex Christodoulides were selected for the 11-12 Grade Symphonic Band.

Congratulations for this incredible accomplishment!
Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit® Scholarship Program

Congratulations to Bradley Baker, Kaily Benedict, Amy Dickerson, Emily Hunter, Paulina Le, Justin Moser, Heidi Rossow, and Tyler Yeargain who have been named Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program.

In cross country action this past weekend, the Huskies captured the Class 4A District 2 championship with an impressive showing by placing five girls in the top ten. Leading the way for Hagerty was senior Amy Ankli. Ankli finished first overall in a time of 18:38. Rounding out the top five scoring positions were Brenna Johnson (6th), Sarah Ankli (8th), Haley Albers (9th), and Tiffany Gargiulo (10th).

The boys team finished 4th overall and will join the girls team next weekend at the FHSAA 4A Region 1 Championships in Gainesville. Leading the way for the boys was senior Peter Licari. Licari finished 4th overall in a time of 16:38. Rounding out the top five scoring positions were Matt Gargiulo (10th), Hunter Menning (15th), Charles Lynch (22nd) and Josh Enot (34th).
JROTC Husky cadets participated in a Raider's Challenge at Rockledge High School this past Saturday.

In the five competitive events, Hagerty cadets, led by team captain Jonathan Malmstrom, placed in four of the events taking first place in the academic bowl, second place in the fitness test, third place in a cross country rescue, and third place in a one-rope bridge building contest. Way to go cadets and keep up the hard work!

Congratulations to the Hagerty Debate Team who competed at the Novice Tournament this past Saturday at Legacy High School. Among those who competed, a special congratulations to the following students who placed at the competition: Rachel Nessim who placed 1st in Extemporaneous speaking, Samantha Daniel who placed 1st in Oral Interpretation, Shamara Bawa who placed 2nd in Oral Interpretation, and Maj Hamed who placed 5th in Oral interpretation. Great job Husky Debaters!

Hagerty Band Receives Grand Champion Honors

On Saturday, October 15th, the Hagerty High School Marching Band competed in their second regional competition of the season in Tarpon Springs, FL. The student performers received multiple standing ovations both during and after their performance and were easily the crowd favorite. Following their performance, Hagerty was awarded the Grand Champion award and also received the awards for over-all Best General Effect, Music,
Congratulations to the 2011 Hagerty Marching Band!

**Congratulations to Thomas Newman and Nikki Nowotny** for being selected to participate in the 31st Annual Florida State University Tri-State Band Festival! They are among the high school musical elite in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia. These students will travel to Tallahassee in December for this electrifying and possibly life-changing musical experience. Congratulations on this incredible honor!

**Congratulations to the Hagerty Debate Team** for a successful tournament at Cypress Creek High School this past Saturday. Among many of their accomplishments for the day, the team placed in the following categories: Kyle Medin as 2nd place Competitor and Top Novice Competitor for Oral Interpretation, Rachel Nessim as Top Novice Competitor in Extemporaneous Speaking, and Kevin Laudecio as 2nd Place Lincoln Douglas Novice Competitor. Great job Husky debaters for a solid start to the 2011-2012 year!

**Hagerty Bowlers Support Breast Cancer Awareness Month!**

On Monday, October 3, 2011, the Varsity Girls and Boys Bowling Teams donned their pink t-shirts in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The Boys team beat Oviedo School 3247 to 3070 and currently are 8-1. A congratulations goes out to Andrew Rich who bowled a season high of 713!

**Jazz Ensemble Receives National Commendation**

At the conclusion of the last school year, the Jazz Ensemble 1, submitted a recording to the "Mark of Excellence - National Jazz Project", a nationwide jazz competition run by The Foundation for Music Education. The project received 161 submissions from 32 different states. Out of those applicants Hagerty High School was selected as one of two
Commended Winners. Adding to this honor is the fact that we were the only school selected from the State of Florida for this honor. Eight of our students were also selected as "Outstanding Soloists."

- Thomas Newman - Trombone - c/o 2012
- Connor Smellie - Trumpet - c/o 2011
- David Posso - Alto Sax - c/o 2011
- David Posso - Congas - c/o 2011
- Yonas Weinberg - Alto Sax - c/o 2012
- Alex Christodoulides - Alto Sax - c/o 2013
- Gabe Ramos - Trombone - c/o 2011
- Harrison Labita - drum set - c/o 2013

For further information on this please click here.

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**Marching Band Qualifies for State Championships in November**

On Saturday, October 1st, the Marching Band participated in their first Regional Competition of the year at Seminole High School (St. Pete, FL). The students displayed great poise and professionalism during their performance while garnering a huge respond from the crowd. Following their best performance of the year, Hagerty was awarded second place both in their class and over all. Additionally, Hagerty was also awarded the Best in Class Percussion Award. Their final score was high enough to qualify for the FMBC State Championships in Tropicana Field on November 19th. An incredible start to the competitive season. This will mark Hagerty's first trip to State Championships.

The English department is proud to announce that Emily Hunter is the recipient of the prestigious National Council of Teachers of English Writing Award. Nominated as an 11th grader by her English teacher, Emily submitted a creative writing sample and completed an impromptu topic. Emily is one of 520 students out of a total 1,649 nationwide and the only representative from Seminole County. Congratulations Emily!