

Summer Drama Program

Presents...



No Strings Attached

The Horseheads Youth Bureau is proud to announce that Medina Ejaz again coordinated the Summer Drama Experience for the 6th year in a row! We were also very pleased to have Assistant Directors, Will Gfeller and Kate Nicole Hoffman back for their third season! It was another fun-filled program this year with students performing their rendition of *No Strings Attached*. Through preparing for the play, young actors and actresses learned acting techniques such as improvisation, blocking, singing and instruction on how to do stage makeup and hair. The program ran from July 1st to August 8th and was open to all youth entering 5th-10th grade. All members met daily in the Horseheads Middle School Café. Family, friends, and community members were invited to join the cast on August 7th and 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Horseheads Middle School Café to watch the final performances.

Registration was limited to the first 30 youth. Any individual that was interested in being a part of the production or backstage crew was encouraged to register as well. We hope everyone enjoyed another great performance this year!

For more information about our summer drama program, stop in to the Horseheads Youth Bureau at 2305 Suite C, Grand Central Ave. or call at (607)-739-3517

Heights Heroes

The Heights Heroes are well into their fourth year and continuing their enthusiasm in getting involved with the community. The youth group is modeled after the Action Team and caters to Elmira Heights 6th, 7th, and 8th graders who seek to make a positive contribution locally. The group collaborates with Elmira Heights Chief of Police, Rick Churches, to provide insight to new activities and ways to make a difference in the community.

The group has flown to new heights by extending their involvement to various events and activities over the past few months. They helped face paint and run the sandy candy station at Lights in the Heights and Octoberfest, and lent a helping hand at the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and Easter Egg Hunt. The group also took part in Random Act of Kindness Week where they practiced their kindness, gave back to the community, and passed it on in hopes that they would inspire others to do the same. They helped janitors clean up recycling bins and made thank you cards for their parents and staff at Cohen Middle School. The group has also continued their collaboration with the Elmira Heights Historical Society by donating their time and service at numerous chicken and biscuit dinners.

Currently, Holly and the group of approximately 25 members are working towards building a good foundation and establishing themselves as a dedicated youth group. They meet every other Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Cohen Middle School. If you are a student and are interested in getting involved and making a difference in the community while having fun, please contact **Holly Baumgardner** at the Horseheads Youth Bureau at (607)-739-3517.

