

July 25, 2025
HHS '71 Class/Sports Update

Hello Hornets!

Thanks to your continued interest and support, we're keeping [this newsletter](#) going through the 2025 football season—after that, we'll see what happens! If you have any updates or stories classmates might enjoy, feel free to reach out at HickoryHS71@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events

Hermitage Arts Festival

July 26-27, 2025

(800 N Hermitage Rd, behind the Hermitage Admin Building)

Come celebrate the Valley's vibrant artistic and musical talent at this two-day outdoor festival!

- **What to Expect:** All-day live music, food trucks, children's activities, and an Artist Marketplace.
- **When:**
 - Saturday, July 26th: 12:00 PM – 9:00 PM (Fireworks at 9:00 PM)
 - Sunday, July 27th: 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- **Where:** Rodney White Olympic Park
 - Free & open to the public!

Enjoy a weekend filled with creativity, entertainment, and community fun for all ages. Our class photographer (and bee enthusiast) Tom Darby will have a booth—make sure to stop by and say hello. You might even run into some other '71ers!

For more info, contact the Parks & Rec Department at (724) 981-0800 or email events@hermitage.net.

Hermitage Historical Society: Trip to Visit Frank Lloyd Wright Masterpieces

August 9, 2025

Tickets are selling fast! Don't miss out on this chance to visit two Frank Lloyd Wright-designed homes in New York.

- **Contact:** Rod at 724-877-7996 ASAP for tickets.
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Shenango Valley Lecture & Book Release

"The Civil War Era in the Shenango Valley"

Join us for a special lecture celebrating the release of this new book on our region's Civil War history. August 13, 6 p.m.

Classmate Updates

Hornet Football Bobbleheads

As a thank-you for streaming Hornet football games free & live, an anonymous Class of '71 donor had [custom bobbleheads](#) made based on [footage from one of the games](#). These were presented to Mike Joanow and his video guy, David Gill, of First Take Video Productions.

A small token of appreciation for the [Joanow Legal Group's](#) (i.e. JLG) efforts on our behalf!

Prickly Pears, Anyone?

Our classmates living out West report a bumper crop of [prickly pears](#) this year. These vibrant desert fruits are used to make everything from jellies to drinks. If you get the chance, try them out—it's a unique treat from the desert!

Curcuma Plant Update

Our class's "Outstanding Athlete of the Year," Dave Lawton, has faced some setbacks with his beloved Curcuma plant this season. Despite his green thumb, it's not blooming as it usually does. But he's planning to up the fertilization to bring back the usual four purple flowers next year.



Fun in the Sun

Mark Frye shared that he and his grandsons (ages 5ish and 7ish) have been enjoying plenty of baseball games, both on weekends and evenings, which has earned them some pretty solid tans. They're outside every day, soaking up the summer!

Poetry Corner

It feels like yesterday we were teens,
So full of hope, and chasing dreams.
But can you believe it? Nearly 60 years have passed,
Let's reconnect and have a blast!
Click and share a post of our past,
And help keep our Hornet spirit alive and fast! 😊

Football Schedule 2025

Mark your calendars! Here are the upcoming games for the Hornets:

- **8/16** – Aliquippa (4A) – 10:00 AM (Scrimmage)
 - **8/23** – Farrell (2A) – 7:00 PM
 - **8/29** – @ University Prep (4A) – 7:00 PM
 - **9/05** – @ Conneaut* (3A) – 7:00 PM
 - **9/12** – @ Sharon* (3A) – 7:00 PM
 - **9/19** – Erie High (6A) – 7:00 PM
 - **9/26** – @ Canfield (OH) – 7:00 PM
 - **10/03** – Titusville* (3A) – 7:00 PM (Homecoming)
 - **10/11** – @ Grove City* (3A) – 1:00 PM
 - **10/17** – Slippery Rock* (3A) – 7:00 PM (Senior Night)
 - **10/23** – @ General McLane (4A) – 7:00 PM
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Miscellaneous Links of Interest

Here are some links that might interest you:

- [HSD Athletics](#)
 - [Joanow Broadcast of HHS Games](#)
 - [Bob Greenberg](#)
 - [Hornet Roster](#)
 - [Professor Briggs](#)
 - [21 WFMJ Sports](#)
 - [Coach Bill Dungee](#)
 - [D10 Wrestling FB Page](#)
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Thanks for reading, and stay connected! We'll keep this newsletter rolling as long as you all keep the updates coming. Until next time, let's go Hornets!

