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## welcome!

We are pleased to present you our Foundation for Free Enterprise Education 2023 Impact Report. In the statistics, photos and stories of the people contained within, you will explore this extraordinary year — a year of profound growth, personal discovery, lifelong learning, and generational impact. We owe it all to the thousands of donors, partners, board members and directors, volunteers, students, and countless others listed here who bring our youth education programs to life. For making our students, and our future, so much brighter, we simply say Thank You.



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## **President's Message**



#### Building the Future, One Student at a Time

Education is the cornerstone of progress, and when it's coupled with experiential learning, the results can be truly transformative. The importance of lifelong learning cannot be overstated in today's rapidly changing world.

Learning is a continuous process that leads to profound personal, professional, and intellectual growth. But can you imagine the impact on society when that learning is expanded exponentially over time? A person learns a concept, teaches that concept to another person, who then teaches yet another person. It happens every day, yet we don't realize the immense impact we make by simply sharing what we've learned with others. It ripples throughout time.

Since our Foundation was formed over 45 years ago, we have been honored to be part of the life's journey of tens of thousands of students, volunteers, board members, donors, partners and others from all parts of our Commonwealth and beyond. Our programming knows no boundaries – once students experience its impact, we hope they carry it with them into their jobs, personal lives, and community interactions by simply sharing their knowledge with others.

This year we celebrate an amazing milestone - 50,000 Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week (PFEW) graduates. This achievement underscores the program's enduring impact, and it further highlights the power of hands-on education in shaping the business leaders of tomorrow.

Each of those 50,000 graduates gained something different from their experience. Some, personal growth. Some, professional. For some, it just provided a bit of guidance.

For others, it impacted their futures forever. Over the years, PFEW, The Stock Market Game™, and the Speaker Series have helped countless students unlock their potential. The success stories that emerge from our programs are as diverse as the students themselves. The networks built and connections made prove to be invaluable in providing students with a supportive community of like-minded individuals who share their passion for learning and growing. It's the essence of what we do.

But this transformative learning is impossible without a few key ingredients: **Knowledge, Passion, People, and Support.** Our Foundation accomplishes nothing without the knowledge we have gained over the past 45 years, imparted by some very passionate people who support our programs all year long. While technology and resources can aid learning, the human element remains irreplaceable. It's people who are integral to the learning process. They are the true facilitators, motivators, guides, and sources of inspiration. It's people who create personalized, meaningful, and dynamic interactions that enhance the overall learning experience. That's what makes learning great.

Our three programs, PFEW, The Stock Market Game, and the Speaker Series, exist to help students learn from the experiences of these amazing people. As we take a moment to celebrate the over 12,000 students we educated this past year, the legacy of our work is not in the number of graduates, but in the lasting impact our programs, our educators, our volunteers, and our people had on these students' lives. With each new cohort of participants, the legacy grows, seeds are planted, people educate people, and before you know it, futures are changed.

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I never could have imagined the impact that this single week of my summer would have on me. I hope my once-in-a-lifetime experience emboldens you to continue to sponsor students just like me to attend PFEW so they can experience hands-on learning, understand employers' wants and needs, and that the free enterprise system is for everyone.

### PENNSYLVANIA FREE ENTERPRISE WEEK (PFEW) 2023

The 2023 PFEW story begins and ends with our students. This year, our team of dedicated recruiters led by VP of Educational Relations Michelle Warofka canvassed the state and generated 2,343 applications for this year's program. On August 4th at the conclusion of all five sessions, a total of

1,640 students took the PFEW journey. We are grateful to the dedicated educators and administrators who passionately promote PFEW during the school year. Your commitment to your students' personal and professional growth is inspiring and so greatly appreciated.



## OUR 2023 HONOR ROLL

The following outstanding schools sent students to PFEW this year. A total of 52 of Pennsylvania's 67 counties are represented, and we saw a wonderful blend of students from urban, suburban and rural areas across our vast and diverse Commonwealth. If your school is not listed, contact us to arrange a visit in 2024.

#### **ALLEGHENY**

Aquinas Academy Central Catholic HS East Allegheny JSHS Eden Christian Academy Fox Chapel Area SHS Hampton HS Moon SHS North Allegheny IHS North Allegheny SHS Our Lady Sacred Heart HS Pittsburgh Allderdice HS Quaker Valley HS Riverview HS Serra Catholic HS Sewickley Academy Shady Side Academy South Fayette Twp HS Thomas Jefferson HS

#### **ARMSTRONG**

Armstrong JSHS Leechburg Area HS Lenape AVTS

Upper Saint Clair HS

#### **BEAVER**

Beaver Area SHS Beaver Co. Christian School Big Beaver Falls HS Central Valley HS Riverside HS

#### BEDFORD

Bedford Co. Technical Center Bedford SHS

#### BERKS

Berks CTC-East Campus Berks CTC-West Campus Boyertown Area SHS Conrad Weiser HS Governor Mifflin SHS Hamburg Area HS Kutztown Area HS Pine Forge Academy

#### RI AIF

Altoona Area HS Hollidaysburg Area SHS Tyrone Area HS Williamsburg HS

#### **BRADFORD**

Athens Area HS Canton JSHS Northeast Bradford JSHS Sayre Area HS

#### **BUCKS**

Bristol JSHS
Bucks Co Technical High School
Central Bucks HS-East
Central Bucks HS-South
Central Bucks HS-West

#### **Bucks continued**

Council Rock - North SHS Council Rock - South SHS George School Home School Neshaminy HS Palisades HS Pennridge HS Pennsbury HS Quakertown Community SHS School Lane Charter School Villa Joseph Marie HS

#### BUTLER

Butler Area SHS Knoch HS Mars Area SHS

#### **CAMBRIA**

Central Cambria HS Greater Johnstown SHS Westmont Hilltop HS

#### CAMERON

Cameron County JSHS

#### **CENTRE**

Bald Eagle Area JSHS State College Area HS

#### CHESTER

Avon Grove HS Bayard Rustin HS Bishop Shanahan HS Coatesville Area SHS

#### Chester continued

Conestoga HS Devon Preparatory School Downingtown SHS - East Downingtown SHS - West Downingtown STEM Academy Great Valley HS Henderson HS Kennett HS Owen J Roberts HS Oxford Area HS PA Leadership Charter School Phoenixville Area HS Renaissance Academy Charter School Technical College HS -Brandywine Campus Technical College HS -Pennocks Bridge Campus Technical College HS -Pickering Campus Unionville HS Villa Maria Academy HS West Chester East HS

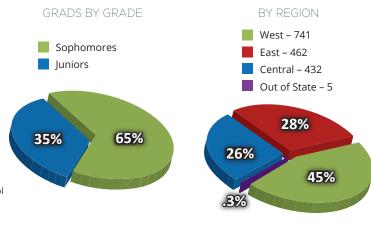
#### CLEARFIELD

Clearfield Area HS Dubois Area SHS DuBois Central Catholic HS

#### CLINTON

Bucktail Area JSHS Central Mountain HS

#### PEFW STUDENT BREAKDOWN



### OUR 50,000th STUDENT!

We anticipated this moment for a long time, and this summer it finally arrived! At the closing ceremonies of PFEW Week 2 we proudly recognized our 50,000th PFEW graduate since our very

first program in 1979. This special milestone called for a little something extra. Pictured here with Karen (I) and Michelle (r) is Navya Aurora, a junior at Shady Side Academy in Pittsburgh, PA. Navya was a member of Company E1, *EmBrace*, in the Health & Fitness industry. Her Company Advisor was



Joe Harford and her sponsor was the **Jenmar Foundation** in Pittsburgh. We were pleased to recognize Navya in front of nearly 400 students, volunteers, staff, and guests and present her with a framed certificate and a bouquet of flowers to mark the occasion. It truly was a grand celebration for a grand occasion. Congratulations, Navya, and here's to 50,000 more!

#### COLUMBIA

Central Columbia SHS Columbia-Montour AVTS

#### CRAWFORD

Titusville SHS

#### CUMBERLAND

Camp Hill SHS Carlisle HS Cumberland Valley HS Home School Shippensburg Area SHS Trinity High School

#### DAUPHIN

Central Dauphin SHS
Cougar Academy
Dauphin County Technical School
Halifax Area HS
Harrisburg HS
Hershey HS
Reach Cyber CS
SciTech High
Upper Dauphin Area HS

#### **DELAWARE**

Garnet Valley HS Haverford SHS Penncrest HS Radnor SHS Springfield HS Strath Haven HS Upper Darby SHS

#### ELK

Ridgway Area HS St Marys Area SHS

#### FRI

Cathedral Preparatory HS
Corry Area MS/HS
Erie County Technical School
Erie HS
Fairview HS
Girard HS
Harbor Creek JSHS
McDowell IHS
McDowell SHS
Northwest PA Collegiate Academy
Seneca HS
Union City HS

#### FAYETTE

Albert Gallatin Area SHS Brownsville Area HS Connellsville Area SHS Frazier HS Geibel Catholic HS Laurel Highlands SHS Uniontown Area SHS

#### FRANKLIN

Franklin County CTC

#### GREENE

Waynesburg Central HS West Greene HS

#### INDIANA

Indiana Area SHS

LACKAWANNA Old Forge JSHS

LANCASTER Cocalico SHS

Elizabethtown Area SHS Ephrata SHS Lampeter-Strasburg SHS Manheim Twp HS Penn Manor HS

LAWRENCE

Neshannock JSHS

LEBANON

Annville Cleona JSHS Cedar Crest HS

LEHIGH Parkland SHS

LUZERNE

Greater Nanticoke Area SHS Hazleton Academy of Sciences Hazleton Area Career Center MMI Prep School LYCOMING

Home School Hughesville JSHS Loyalsock Twp SHS Montgomery SHS Muncy JSHS South Williamsport Area JSHS Williamsport Area SHS

**MCKEAN** 

Kane Area HS Seneca Highlands CTC Smethport Area JSHS

MERCER

Greenville JSHS Revnolds JSHS

MIFFLIN

Mifflin County HS

MONROE

Stroudsburg HS

#### 2023 PLATINUM CLUB

(20+ PFEW GRADUATES)

We're proud to recognize the following 17 schools that graduated 20 or more students from PFEW 2023. These schools cross every region of Pennsylvania and we're thrilled that eight schools on this list are new to the Platinum Club, proof that the PFEW education is valued across Pennsylvania!

Butler Area SHS, Butler County	38
Owen J Roberts HS, Chester County	34
Hempfield Area SHS, Westmoreland County	32
Central Catholic HS, Allegheny County	31
Downingtown SHS - East, Chester County	29
Connellsville Area SHS, Fayette County	28
Cumberland Valley HS, Cumberland County	28
Fairview HS, Erie County	28
Armstrong JSHS, Armstrong County	26
Central Columbia SHS, Columbia County	26
North Allegheny IHS, Allegheny County	26
Renaissance Academy Charter School, Chester County	24
Franklin Area HS, Venango County	22
Beaver Area SHS, Beaver County	21
Cathedral Preparatory HS, Erie County	21
Montgomery SHS, Lycoming County	21
State College Area HS, Centre County	21

MONTGOMERY

Abington Friends School Abington SHS Academy of the New Church Secondary Schools

Secondary Schools Bishop McDevitt Catholic HS Friends Central School Germantown Academy Hatboro-Horsham SHS LaSalle College HS Lower Moreland HS Norristown Area HS North Penn SHS Perkiomen Valley HS Plymouth-Whitemarsh SHS Pope John Paul II HS Souderton Area SHS Spring-Ford SHS The Hill School Upper Dublin HS Upper Perkiomen HS Wissahickon SHS

NORTHAMPTON

Bangor Area HS Easton Area HS Notre Dame HS (Easton)

NORTHUMBERLAND Warrior Run HS

**OUT OF STATE** 

Aga Khan High School, Kampala - Uganda Spanish Fort HS - AL Waterford School - UT YES Prep East End Secondary - TX Yorktown HS - NY

**PHILADELPHIA** 

Archbishop Ryan HS
Father Judge HS
J. R. Masterman
Little Flower Catholic HS for Girls
Mastery Charter School- Lenfest
Nazareth Academy High
Roman Catholic High School
William Penn Charter School

SCHUYLKILL

Gillingham Charter School Marian Catholic HS Pottsville Area HS

**SNYDER** 

Midd-West HS Selinsgrove Area HS **SOMERSET** 

Berlin Brothersvalley SHS North Star HS Shade JSHS Somerset Area SHS Windber Area HS

SULLIVAN Sullivan Co. JSHS

TIOGA

Cowanesque Valley JSHS North Penn-Liberty HS North Penn-Mansfield HS Wellsboro Area HS

**VENANGO** 

Cranberry Area JSHS Franklin Area HS Oil City SHS Rocky Grove JSHS

WARREN

Warren Area HS

WASHINGTON

Bethlehem-Center SHS Burgettstown JSHS Canon-McMillan HS

WESTMORELAND

Central Westmoreland CTC

Derry Area SHS
Greater Latrobe SHS
Greensburg Central
Catholic
Hempfield Area SHS
Kiski Area HS
Ligonier Valley SHS
Monessen SHS
Mt. Pleasant Area JSHS
Norwin SHS
Southmoreland HS

WYOMING Tunkhannock HS

YORK

Central York HS Dallastown Area SHS Red Land SHS South Western HS Spring Grove Area HS West York Area HS York Catholic HS



Our hard-working **PFEW interns** are responsible for setting up all venues and activities the students enjoy at PFEW. They also assist staff with the myriad tasks involved in running a successful program. These terrific young people are all PFEW graduates, and they are (I to r): Gavin Louch, Berniece Swan, Kelsey Geary, Kami Alfieri, Olivia Magee, and Hayden Shuey.



Our eight **full time PFEW Residence Hall Advisors** (RAs) keep our students safe, provide recreational activities and enhance the PFEW campus experience. Our 2023 full time RAs are (I to r): Sam Cash, Alex Lalley, Logan Cash, Kenneth Draper, William Willoretta, Leahvella Rambus, Margaret Ryder, and Faith Wright. We further employ **part-time RAs** in Week 4 to cover both Lycoming and PCT campuses. They have the same responsibilities as our full-time crew, and they are: Brooke Evanchak, Angela Holmes, Brooke Myers, Arya Pandey, Samuel Paratore, Jadyn Reeder and Zaniah Richardson.

Throughout the camp, I learned a wide variety of subjects, from entrepreneurship and marketing to finance and leadership. Our speakers, company, and real-life case-studies challenged my thinking and problem solving skills. Your support has had a profound impact on my growth and development, and I am truly thankful for this opportunity.

Tristan Smith, Central Bucks HS-East



All of our PFEW Speakers are special people. These wonderful men and women share their personal and professional journeys and make that vital connection between our students' present and future. They lay out a roadmap for success. They share their stories of failure, success, perseverance, and grit. Their incredible stories of experience, strength, and hope impart knowledge and wisdom and plant seeds that open doors to endless possibilities. In short, they ignite unquenchable fires that will burn brightly for years to come. Please join us in thanking these extraordinary people for sharing their time, talent, and treasures with our 2023 PFEW students.



**Week 1 PFEW Keynote Speaker** Lycoming College

## CHELLIE CAMERON President & Chief Executive Officer The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Philadelphia

Rochelle ("Chellie") L. Cameron is the President and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Philadelphia, which represents over 600,000 employees across eleven counties. Chellie drives impact and business growth in the Philadelphia region through advocacy and economic competitiveness and inclusion.

Chellie served for seven years as an active-duty officer in the United States Air Force and completed her military service in 1998 as an active-duty Captain. Chellie served as CEO for the Philadelphia International and Northeast Philadelphia Airports.

She holds a B.A. from the University of Notre Dame in Government with a concentration in economics and philosophy, and an M.B.A. from Auburn University. She is also a Certified Public Accountant in the Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia. Chellie is also a proud PFEW graduate.

Chellie involved our PFEW students in her excellent address, weaving meaningful quotes and personal life experiences to emphasize the importance of establishing a moral and ethical foundation upon which to build careers and lives of great meaning and value. She also emphasized the impact of her PFEW experience and shared photos and experiences of her time at PFEW as a student.



Week 2 PFEW Keynote Speaker Lycoming College

## CLEM ROSENBERGER President & CEO NexTier Bank

Clem Rosenberger is the President and CEO of NexTier Inc. and NexTier Bank. NexTier is one of the region's fastest-growing community banks, spanning six western PA counties. Clem is responsible for nearly 300 employees, the overall strategic direction of NexTier, and the efficient operation of the organization.

Clem graduated Summa Cum Laude from Harding University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting. He is also a graduate of the American Banker Association's National and Graduate Commercial Lending Schools. Clem serves as a deacon in his church and leads vacation bible school and other youth programs. He also serves on numerous community boards and in 2012, Clem was honored by the Armstrong County Chamber of Commerce as the Volunteer Citizen of the Year.

At PFEW, Clem transformed the auditorium into an airplane cabin, taking students on a virtual journey complete with snacks, beverages and even colorful balloons to remind them that no one gets anywhere without the help of others and no one is above anyone else. He brilliantly showed how pilots, flight crew, maintenance, baggage handlers, janitors, security, passengers, ground crew and more all have a vital role to play in each other's success.

## OUR 2023 PFEW PROGRAM SPEAKERS

"The Most Important Skill that Schools Don't Teach!"

Todd Cohen, CSP Professional Speaker, Trainer and Author

"It's Your Attitude Not Your

Aptitude = Your Altitude"
Kevin W. Davis

CEO The Davis Group (ret.)

"Who (Instead of What) Do You Want To Be

When You Grow Up?"

Davie Jane Gilmour. Ph.D.

President Emeritus Pennsylvania College of Technology (ret.) "Peer Leadership and Responsibility"

David R. Hall
Colonel, USAF (ret.)
DRH Pilot Services. LLC

"11 Life Lessons I Learned Along the Way"

Barbara B. Hudock CEO & Founding Partner Hudock Capital Group, LLC

"Government All Up in Your Business"

Carl A. Marrara Executive Director Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association "Finding the Success in Failure"

Ryan L. Newman, CFA Managing Director Goldman. Sachs & Co

"Turning Feelings into Facts"

Jessica Rich

Principal Program Manager WorkDay

"Being Confident in Who You Are When Speaking With Others"

Erica Waller-Hill, M.Ed.
CEO, Owner
Destined for a Dream Foundation. Inc.

"Management Simulation Orientation"

J. Rody Borg, Ph.D.

Professor Emeritus of Economics and Public Policy Jacksonville University

Joseph A. Giedgowd

Byers' Choice, Ltd. (ret.)

**Joshua E. Kamerer** Senior Partner Hudson Business Service, LLC

Adelaine L. Lazzell Insights Analyst Circana

Jeremy A. Raichle, CFA Vice President TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank "Stockholders Presentation Briefing"

Thomas S. Born Credit Manager Huntington Bank

Ernst & Young

Melody F. Kamerer
President/Owner
Hudson Business Service LLC

McKenna D. Shirey, CPA Tax Manager

David J. Sterrett, P.E., P.L.S. Environmental Engineer

Environmental Engineer PA Department of Environmental Protection

Naiya Vora Fund Accounting Analyst Jefferies "The Importance of Effective Marketing & Advertising"

Scott T. Lee

VP of Marketing & Development Foundation for Free Enterprise Education

Tara Murray

Director of Marketing Benjamin Obdyke Incorporated

**Dwayne W. Waite, Jr.**Marketing Director, Games Events
ReedPop

Kyle P. Wherrity Owner

Hau'oli Marketing & Events



Week 3 PFEW Keynote Speaker Lycoming College

LUKE BERNSTEIN
President & CEO
Pennsylvania Chamber of Business
and Industry

Luke Bernstein is president and CEO of the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry. A seasoned financial, government, and public policy professional, Luke came to the organization in 2022 with more than 20 years of experience in the public and private sectors. Luke oversees all operations of the Chamber and serves 10,000 member businesses of all sizes and industry sectors, representing nearly 50 percent of the private workforce in the Commonwealth.

He holds a B.S. in political science and policy studies from Dickinson College, where he also served as an adjunct professor. Luke was a former appointed advisor in the George W. Bush Administration and an aide in the U.S. Senate. Luke also completed the Duke Leadership Program at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business. He is a very active member of his community, serving on numerous boards and as a youth sports coach.

Luke immersed himself in PFEW, visiting teams and helping students understand business operations. In his amazing Keynote, he shared how his life experiences molded him into a better father, husband, employer and leader. He challenged our students to show up, say yes to new things, and learn from failures.



Week 4 PFEW Keynote Speaker Lycoming College

#### GEORGE C. GARROW, M.D. Chief Executive Officer Primary Health Network

George C. Garrow, M.D. is the CEO of Primary Health Network (PHN), a private non-profit health center headquartered in Sharon, PA. He oversees over 450 employees and 150 health professionals serving over 75,000 patients each year. He is responsible for all aspects of patient care and works to improve the quality of care delivered across PHN.

Dr. Garrow earned his medical degree from The Pennsylvania State University's College of Medicine, Hershey, and completed his internal medicine and chief residency at Presbyterian/St. Luke's Medical Center in Denver. He served on the faculty of Vanderbilt University and the University of Rochester Medical Center and was honored as an American Cancer Society Fellow. He holds board certification in internal medicine, medical oncology, and hospice and palliative medicine. He is the proud recipient of the Pennsylvania Medical Society's Everyday Hero Award for December 2019.

In his PFEW Keynote, George used poignant quotes and personal reflection to emphasize the vital importance of genuine human care, compassion and empathy in life and career. He brought human connection to the forefront and challenged our students to lead with the heart in an increasingly isolating world.



**Week 4 PFEW Keynote Speaker** Pennsylvania College of Technology

## SHANNON MASSEY Senior Vice President Lycoming Engines

Shannon Massey is the senior vice president of Lycoming Engines, the only U.S. owned and operated aviation piston engine manufacturer. In this role, Shannon is responsible for the strategic direction of Lycoming Engines, inclusive of its aviation product portfolio development, experimental and certified designs, its manufacturing core competencies, and customer services. She also serves as a member of the Textron Systems Executive Leadership Team.

Shannon holds an M.B.A. from Texas Christian University and a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Texas A&M University. She is a Textron Six-Sigma Master Black Belt, a graduate of Textron's Executive Leadership Program at the University of North Carolina, and a graduate of Textron's Senior Executive Leadership Program at Duke University. She serves on the board of directors of the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce and Team PA.

In her PFEW address, Shannon challenged our students to take the scenic route in business and life – to know where you're going, how you're going to get there, who you're traveling with, and what to pack. She encouraged our students to communicate with their head, heart and hands and that you go slower to move faster.

All of our PFEW speakers are so very generous, but these three gentlemen went above and beyond this year, speaking at all five 2023 sessions and impacting every single one of our 1,640 students with their powerful messages. Thank you to David, Donovin, and Rick for their incredible commitment and impact.

66 By being able to participate in PFEW, I was able to witness the most impactful presentations in my life to date. From a victim of an IED explosion with severe burns promoting hope, to an established CEO that described the path to success, these speakers taught me life lessons that apply to almost every aspect of my future.

"Look on the Inside"

David J. Flood

Youth Motivational Speaker DJF Events Inc.



"College 101 -Beginning Your Search"

Donovin Lindsay

Chief Visionary Officer and Lead Facilitator College Knowledge



"The H.O.P.E. to Change the World"

Rick Yarosh Sgt. USA, Retired

Sweethearts and Heroes



### **OUR 2023 COMPANY ADVISORS**

We are running out of superlatives to describe how special our PFEW Company Advisors are. They are the very foundation of PFEW, as evidenced by the 98.8% of students who reported that their Company Advisor was an important part their PFEW experience. These wonderful people wear many hats - Mentor, Guide, Connector, Friend, Teambuilder, Confidante, Cheerleader, Peer, Trusted Adult, and so many more. They provide the magic that changes a group of 17 diverse individuals into a cohesive, functioning team in just six days. But they do so much more. They create lifelong memories, friendships, and unbreakable bonds that lead to future success. That is the very definition of time well spent. Please join us in thanking these extraordinary men and women who create the PFEW magic, pushed down and overflowing.



Can you believe that 13 of our 21 Week 3 Company Advisors are PFEW graduates? These wonderful men and women are living proof that the seeds planted at PFEW bear great fruit. We are so grateful for their dedication to us and the young people they serve. Please join us in thanking these amazing people, (I to r): Toan Do, Jeremy Chobot, Abby Zlockie, Mark Puzdrak, Nathan Vrabel, Nick Carter, Jeremy Raichle, Todd Schorle, Mark Seyfried, Taura Ivanko, Matt Cordell, John Lugg, and Michelle Louch.

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Michael Gecht Travel Ease, Ltd. (ret.)

Joseph A. Giedgowd Byers' Choice, Ltd. (ret.)

Garv S. Goldstein Project Management Institute (ret.)

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Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association



Here are the Week 4 Lycoming Company Advisors who are PFEW graduates. These wonderful people are, (front row I to r): Regi Mendoza, Donica Wilson, Paul Vizza; (middle row I to r): Naiya Vora, Haley Patrick, Addie Lazzell, Heather Hondel; (back row I to r): Marianne Beane, Mike Romano.

Patricia A. Martin, PHR DVL Group, Inc. (ret.) Reginald-Chris Mendoza Friends Select School J. David Murphy FirstEnergy (ret.) Tara Murray Benjamin Obdyke Incorporated Joan M. Norelli Tropicana Brand Groups Ferlin E. Patrick CSD Co-Packers, Inc. (ret.) Haley Patrick Appian

Mark J. Pietrusinski

Parker LORD Corporation (ret.)

2023 COMPANY ADVISORS

BY THE NUMBERS

808 Total Number of Years of

of Service

First-Time CAs

Combined Service as CAs

CAs who are PFEW grads

Total Number of CAs

CAs With 10+ Years

Mark A. Proudfoot Renkert Oil

Lvnn A. Prvor

First Quality Enterprises (ret.)

Mark Puzdrak, CPA

Puzdrak and Stortz LLC.

John V. Rafferty, Esq. Gawthrop Greenwood, P.C.

Jeremy A. Raichle, CFA

TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank

Elizabeth Remelius

Villanova University

Frederick P. Remelius Upper Merion Area School

District (ret.)

Jessica Rich WorkDay

Joseph S. Rogers

Pope John Paul II High School

Michael Romano

Department of the Navy

David R. Sawtelle

Consultant

Todd R. Schorle

Schorle Secure LLC Roxanna S. Seilhamer, CIC,

CISR. CSRM

Strickler Agency Inc. Mark Sevfried

Oracle Corporation

Carl R. Shamburg

Erie Bronze & Aluminum Eric D. Shannon

Big Barker

Gregory P. Sheets

Germantown Tool & Machine

Works (ret.)



### MENTORSHIPS PAY HUGE DIVIDENDS

Can you imagine what you'd say if someone asked you to give up a week of your life to spend it with 17 teenagers? Can you imagine what you'd think if that person also told you this week would be one of the best of your life? That's why we created our CA mentorship program. Prior to PFEW, we pair a veteran CA with a prospective new CA to answer questions, provide guidance, and prepare them for their week. Then, if requested, we also assign a veteran CA with a first-year CA during their PFEW week. Not only do the new CAs benefit, but the students in those teams have two fantastic mentors! Mentorships are a great way to introduce PFEW to anyone considering this life-changing volunteer experience.

Jamie Sheets
Reach Cyber Charter School
Britta Shillingsburg
Wild Thing Skincare
McKenna D. Shirey, CPA
Ernst & Young

**Kevin L. Shivers** Pennsylvania Association of Community Bankers

Mark E. Skoric Joshua Consulting, LLC Joy E. Snyder

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Kenneth W. Snyder, Jr. K. Snyder & Associates Deborah A. Spence Fierce Realty Corp

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Environmental Protection

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**BNP** Paribas Naiya Vora Jefferies Nathan Vrabel Graham Partners Lucas Waldrop STEM<sup>2</sup> John A. Walls, III Calyx Metrology Lab, Inc. Kyle P. Wherrity Hau'oli Marketing & Events Helen L. White Pittsburgh Technical College Jennifer Williams NW PA One Stop, Equus Workforce Solutions Donica M. Wilson Harmelin Media Charles L. Witmer County of Centre (ret.) Abigail Zlockie Pennsylvania State University

Stephen Turpin

Paul F. Vizza, PHR

Lanco Federal Credit Union

## OUR 2023 JUDGES

Each Friday of PFEW, dedicated and generous professionals donate their time and expertise to serve as Judges for our all-important formal Stockholders and Advertising presentations. Our Judges evaluate the students' understanding of complex marketing, business and financial concepts as our teams compete for the coveted grand prize of Top Company. We thank the following wonderful volunteers for their time, talent, and service to the youth of Pennsylvania.

Heather L. Allison, M.A. West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. Bryan A. Bennett

Amtrak

George M. Book, Jr.

West Shore Chamber of

Commerce Nicole Brady M&T Bank

Russell P. Brooks Tilden & Associates

Nate Cooper Komfort Heat (ret.) Randy Cooper

United States Capitol Police

Dan DeBone

Westmoreland County Chamber of Commerce Phillip DeRose, MPH

UPMC Susquehanna Alexa N. Detwiler-Sullivan

Univest Financial Corporation April B. Donahue, MBA

QNB Bank
Blaine Fessler
First Citizens

Community Bank Rudolph D. Frank

Swagelok Pittsburgh | Tri-State Area Anna E. Frank

First Commonwealth Bank Michael Gecht

Travel Ease, Ltd. (ret.)

Steve Griffith Rockwell Collins

David R. Hall

DRH Pilot Services, LLC Pamela R. Henshall Women in Transition, Inc.

Joseph D. Hurd

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Michelle Kreutzer, IOM Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce

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Ferlin E. Patrick CSD Co-Packers, Inc. (ret.) Sherry Paulhamus

Range Resources-Appalachia, LLC

Mike Philbin

Keystone Advertising Specialties



Here are our Week 1 Stockholders Judges (I to r): George Book, Mindy Woodruff, Nicole Brady, Dave Sterrett

Laurie Rvan

Exton Region Chamber of Commerce

Jessica Smith

First Citizens Community Bank

David J. Sterrett, P.E., P.L.S.

PA Department of Environmental Protection

Tom Thunstrom

Delaware Small Business Development Center

Sarah E. Vannatta, MS Ed Foundation For Economic Education Dhyey M. Vora Calvin Klein Heidi J. Waltman M&T Securities, Inc.

Paul J. Ward, Esq. Kennametal Inc. Helen L. White

Pittsburgh Technical College R. David Winn

ISPLUS ERIE, LLC

Jefrey R. Woodall, DMA, PCM

York College of PA Mindy Woodruff

Minay woodr M&T Bank

Heather Zimmerman

Muncy Jr. Sr. High School



Here are our Week 3 Advertising Judges (I to r): Heather Zimmerman, Randy Cooper, Sherry Paulhamus, Mike Philbin 66 I had always based my idea of a leader solely on how they stood alone, in confidence, and the ability to run a company or organize a team. PFEW made me realize that it is so much more than that. Being a leader is all about the people around you.

Carly Smith, Downingtown SHS-West

## **PFEW'S IMPACT**

## PENNSYLVANIA FREE ENTERPRISE WEEK

It was another year of transformative impact at PFEW 2023. Our students didn't lean into this experience, they jumped in with both feet. What happened was truly something to behold. Students discovered careers, developed skills, forged relationships and blazed paths to successful futures. This is the essence of the PFEW experience. Here are the numbers, photos and words from another amazing, transformative PFEW summer.

66 The gifted kid who lost all motivation for education has just had his heart ablaze by 5 days of new experiences. There is a very noticeable difference between the me now,



and the me I left at home. PFEW and its speakers have reignited my passion for a college education. I've met new people

here, but most importantly, I've met a new me. A me that has aspirations and a wish to be someone greater than the man I was yesterday.

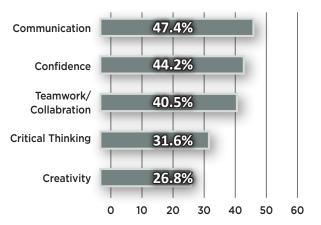
Lockeston Ramsey, Bangor Area SHS PFEW's goals are to teach students the vital importance of business and the American free enterprise system, help them develop career and life skills, increase awareness of careers in business and their communities, and provide the vital connection between education and the workforce. Here are the results from this year's PFEW program.

## SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

97.8%

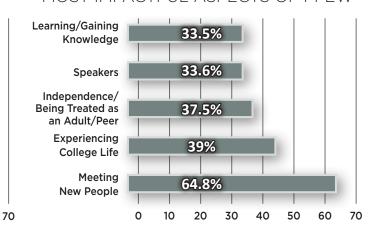
responded that the skills learned at PFEW will benefit them as students, employees, employers, citizens and leaders

#### TOP FIVE SKILLS DEVELOPED



followed closely by Time Management, Leadership, and Problem Solving.

#### MOST IMPACTFUL ASPECTS OF PFEW





**66** When I set foot in the company room... I became a new person with a clean slate. This let me discard all my past expectations and notions of myself that I had to live up to in my school and community, permitting me to present myself as whomever I wanted to be. All that hands-on practical learning that mirrored real life so closely was a crucial part of making this camp as excellent as it was. 99

Haresh Muralidharan, North Allegheny HS



66 I finally know what I am capable of, and I feel unstoppable thanks to this week.

William Young V. Armstrong JSHS

## CAREER PREPARATION

97.8% of students are more aware of careers in business and their community.

98.4% are better prepared to enter the workforce or higher education.

87.3% are more likely to consider a career in business/entrepreneurship.





66 During my short time at PFEW, I experienced more than I ever could have imagined. Seeing development not just in me but also in our team made PFEW worth every ounce of sweat and tears. I've learned more than I have in years of public school, which makes this, for me, a life-changing experience. ""

Alexander Bird. **Bristol JSHS** 



## BECAUSE OF PFEW...

99.1% said that PFEW helped them understand more of how a business works.

99.1% have a greater appreciation for the challenges facing business owners.

98.9% said their sponsor's money was well invested.

96.8% have a better understanding of the American free enterprise system and their role in it.



## THE STOCK MARKET GAME™

It was a record setting year for The Stock Market Game (SMG) – a record number of participating schools, record number of students, record impact. We are proud to present the 2022-2023 SMG story in the pictures, statistics and words of our students and educators. We're also proud to feature George Washington High School Social Science teacher Steve Benzio, who in one letter perfectly describes the importance of The Stock Market Game and its profound impact on his students. We look forward to an even bigger and better 2023-2024 school year and expanding this vital program to more young Pennsylvanians.

Thank you so much for sponsoring this year's Stock Market Game! I have learned so much from this experience, such as working in a team and working well with them. Also I have learned more about money management and staying financially competent!



Max (middle school student)





Thank you for sponsoring the Spring Session of the Stock Market Game! While this has been so much fun, it has also given me a chance to learn more about investing and finance. I've wanted to invest in the stock market for a while now, but it's hard going into it with no experience, using real money! It's so reassuring now that I have experience using this fake money, and it's given me the confidence to start investing for real.





**FOUNDATION** 

A special thank you to the SIFMA Foundation and SIFMA member firms for providing the Stock Market Game.

66 Thank you! We have learned how to manage money and stocks, how to use finance charts. and the importance of researching before buying. We also learned the value of teamwork and working together to achieve one common goal. We are so thankful for the game. It taught us a lot and was so much fun! 99

> Sincerely, Sophia, Alyssa, Jaxon, and Asher! (elementary school students)

## SMG 2022-2023 BY THE NUMBERS

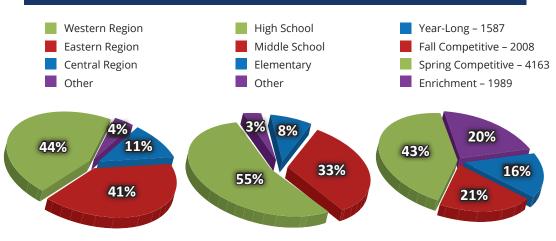
9,747 Students Educated

Number of Participating Schools

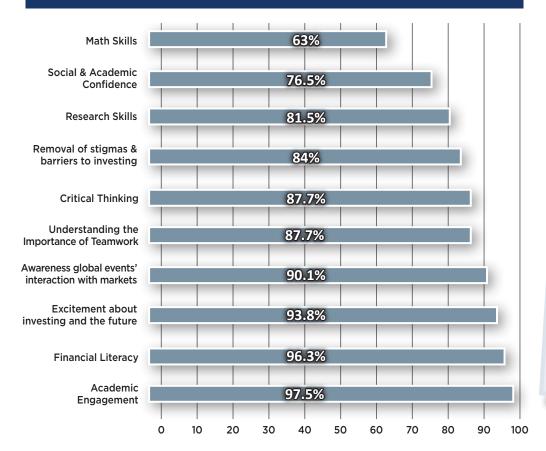
3 Incredible Regional Awards Ceremonies



## SMG STUDENT PARTICIPATION



## PERCENTAGE OF TEACHERS STATING THAT SMG IMPROVED THEIR STUDENTS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS



April 19, 2023

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter. I have been a Social Science teacher for the last two years at George Washington High School in Philadelphia. We are a Title 1 school, so I serve a mix of underprivileged students and immigrants. In these uncertain times, I do my absolute best every day to make sure that my students are prepared for the economy that they are about to be immersed in. That starts with an understanding of money and accumulating a portfolio of assets which will appreciate over time. After studying real estate, energy and metals, "The Stock Market Game" is the perfect way to give my students a real-life crash course in stocks, ETFs and fixed-income investments.

Society has already written off many of my students and does not expect them to amount to much, however, my experience is just the opposite. It is always shocking to me to see my most at-risk students excel and lead the state in this competition. Many of my students who do not attend class, really appreciate this opportunity to grow and manage a portfolio of stocks and bonds. Other students are amazed to see these students participating in class for the first time and asking very high-level questions. Seeing students who are chronic discipline or truancy problems become interested in school is about all that you can ask for. I had two Level 2 English Language Learners, a Ukrainian refugee and a truant senior collaborate in a group this year and place #3 in the Eastern Region and #9 in the state. I also had groups that placed #4 and #7 in the East. This is the power of education and the appeal of financial literacy.

This game would not happen if it was up to me to pay for everyone. These students and their families also would not be able to come up with the money to play. It is only because of the generous donors that will never receive their true recognition that my students had this opportunity. Their unselfish desire to empower teachers like myself to lead these students does not go unnoticed. The game, the lessons, the organization and operation of the product is second to none. Thank you, Jeremy Kropf, and everyone else affiliated with The Stock Market Game that help make this a reality in Philadelphia schools. You will never truly know the impact that you are having on students who live in one of the most violent cities on the planet.



Regards, Steve Benzio

Steve Benzio is pictured here with two of his students at our Eastern Region Awards Ceremony in May





## **SPEAKER SERIES**

This past year saw explosive growth of our Speaker Series, thanks to our six new career exploration videos and the Regional Programs page featuring scholarships, internships, jobs, personal and professional growth opportunities, and development programs across all regions of Pennsylvania.

But the true value of the Speaker Series lies in the connections – students connecting with mentors or seeking a deeper dive into a particular field of interest, organizations connecting with local students to offer leadership and career programs, speakers connecting with us to expand their reach. Whatever the connection, the Speaker Series leads to additional opportunities for professional engagement, learning and impact.

## SPEAKING OF CONNECTIONS...

When The Main Line Chamber of Commerce set out to provide Norristown Area School District students with exposure to career options through field trips visiting employers, we were proud to put the opportunity to attend Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week in front of the students we met. After one event we hosted, it was outstanding to then see 17 students who otherwise likely would not have considered participating in PFEW attend and benefit from the unique life-changing experience it can provide. These students gained a great understanding about business and potential careers, but most importantly, a new understanding about life. They also now know that adults and business leaders care about their future. That matters tool.



Pictured here with Bernie (I) at PFEW 2023 are the Norristown HS students and Main Line Chamber Talent and Education Network Consultant Lissa Hilsee (r).

## THREE POWERFUL 2023 CONNECTIONS

This year, because of their involvement with the Speaker Series, we welcomed three phenomenal speakers to PFEW for the first time, and together they impacted every single one of our 1,640 students.

All three of these wonderful people began their involvement with the Foundation by recording a Speaker Series career exploration video, and they were gracious enough to extend their engagement and speak at PFEW this past summer. That's how it works - true connections that lead to powerful impact. Please join us in thanking these terrific men and women for sharing their inspiring messages.



"College 101 -Beginning Your Search"

Donovin Lindsay Chief Visionary Officer and Lead Facilitator College Knowledge

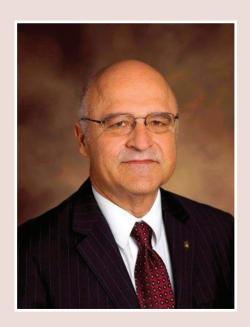
"Being Confident in Who You Are When Speaking With Others"

Erica Waller-Hill, M.Ed. CEO, Owner Destined for a Dream Foundation, Inc.





Week 4 Keynote Address -Lycoming College George C. Garrow, M.D. Chief Executive Officer Primary Health Network



We dedicate the Foundation for Free Enterprise Education 2023 Impact Report to a wonderful and generous man who left an indelible impact on our foundation, board, staff, and thousands of young people whose lives are vastly better because he lived, Dr. Vincent J. Matteo.

Vince enjoyed an exemplary and distinguished 38-year career in the Chamber and Economic Development world, most recently as President/CEO of the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce from 2001 to 2018. But unquestionably one of Vince's greatest

impacts was on our Foundation for Free Enterprise Education (FFEE). For 25 years, Vince served with distinction on the FFEE board of directors, his last three as Board Chair, skillfully guiding our organization through the most difficult time in our 45-year history, the COVID-19 pandemic. Vince also served annually as a PFEW Competition Judge and was a wonderful mentor to many board members, staff, colleagues and PFEW participants. His steadfast commitment to our mission and vision was unwavering.

Anyone who knew Vince will speak about his presence and how he could command a room. But his quick wit, sense of humor, gentle smile, and constant willingness to help others succeed are what truly defined him. He passionately advocated for his beloved Williamsport community and every organization he served. While Vince has departed this life, his presence will be felt for decades to come, a true testament to his lifelong legacy of care, commitment, and spirit of giving.

Thank you, Vince. You left PFEW and thousands of young people better and we are forever in your debt. Rest easy, dear friend.



To the valued companies, foundations, board members, volunteers, chambers and business associations, school officials, and partners listed in this report, you empower our young people to explore careers, create stable financial futures, develop life-long skills and embrace the finest ideals of modern business and the American free enterprise system. Nothing is more noble nor more important.

We say once again,

## THANK YOU.

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MISSION: To heighten the awareness of Pennsylvania's youth about their future role in the American free enterprise system by delivering high-quality and practical hands-on learning experiences.

VISIUN: To be the recognized leader in providing quality learning opportunities that promote the understanding of the link between personal freedom and economic opportunity.

## BUILDING SUCCESS, ONE STUDENT AT A TIME



**THERE'S NO GREATER CALLING** than to use your knowledge, talents and gifts to inspire others to be better.

**ENCOURAGE YOUR SCHOOLS,** teachers, networks, and students to participate in our programs. Motivation breeds success.

#### SUCCESS DEPENDS ON A QUALITY EDUCATION.

Help us deliver the world class education that has defined us since 1979.

**COLLABORATE WITH US** to share information, increase opportunities, and help our organizations, and our students, grow and thrive.

#### **VOLUNTEER FOR PFEW AND THE SPEAKER SERIES.**

You will connect, transform, and lead our students to greatness.

**YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT** is the foundation of everything we do. Provide a gift and become the cornerstone upon which our students achieve success.

## LET'S DO IT TOGETHER!



#### PFEW 2024 DATES

June 30 - July 5
Lycoming College
July 7 - 12
Lycoming College
July 21 - 26
Lycoming College
July 28 - August 2
Lycoming College & Penn College





SMG 2023-2024 COMPETITIVE SESSIONS

Year-Long Session: 9/11/23 to 4/12/24 Fall Session: 9/25/23 to 12/1/24 Spring Session: 2/5/24 to 4/12/24