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It gives us great pleasure to present the Foundation for Free Enterprise Education's 2021 Impact Report. In the following pages, you will see the remarkable story of this most extraordinary year revealed in the statistics, photos and quotes of our participants. You will meet the thousands of individuals, companies, foundations, chambers, and volunteers upon whose shoulders we stood to make it all happen. And you will feel the utter joy, happiness and hope our students experienced as they overcame perhaps the most challenging and difficult year of their young lives.

To our board, donors, volunteers, schools, partners, and our wonderful students - Thank You for making this past year perhaps the most meaningful and powerful in our 43-year history. You are the heroes in this equation, and for you we are forever grateful.



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introduction

Pictured here is the **FULL TIME STAFF** of the Foundation for Free **Enterprise Education:** Front row (I to r): Scott Lee, VP of marketing & development; Karen Musante, president & CEO; Michelle Warofka, VP of educational relations Williams, finance manager; Jeremy Kropf, technology



**INTERNS**. all former PFEW myriad venue and program details our students enjoyed: Kessandra Marin, Ryan Doloughty, Kelsey Geary, Gavin Louch, Alexis Holsinger, Kai Mast



Here are our wonderful 2021 PFEW RESIDENCE **HALL ADVISORS** who helped our students fully eniov their campus experience. Front (I to r): Sarah Mehesy, Kyrsten Noftz, Samantha Cash, Alex Lalley Middle (I to r): Austin Lyons, Ian Bond, Matt Fisher **Top:** Julia Cerrato



## **President's Message**

"The comeback will be bigger than the setback."

I love this quote. I love it because for us it perfectly describes the events of this past year.

Nobody ever likes a setback. A setback means a reversal of fate or going backwards. But without a setback, the comeback would not be possible. Sometimes having something taken away from us makes us work harder to get it back and then cherish it even more once it returns. We can all relate to that. I'm sure.

It wasn't until our signature Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week program was taken away in 2020 that we realized other ways we can educate the youth of Pennsylvania. This past year, our Foundation saw the birth of a new program, another program continue, and yet another make a triumphant return, and it's made us an even better organization. We are blessed with the best donors, volunteers and partners anyone could ever ask for. Their passion to **Educate**, **Sponsor**, **Mentor**, and **Inspire** has Impacted over 12,000 students this year alone! It's their story that we will tell in the coming pages.

Despite the setbacks of 2020, this year saw thousands of students investigate different career paths and form a plan for their future through the Speaker Series... over 6,000 students participate in The Stock Market Game<sup>™</sup> and develop practical, hands-on knowledge and skills in investing, personal finance, teamwork, and financial freedom as they build a strong, secure future. And finally, this year saw the absolutely triumphant return of our in-person PFEW program. Over four magical summer weeks in Williamsport, 1,139 students from across every region in Pennsylvania gathered to collaborate, work hard, and form lifelong friendships as they discovered the wonders of business and our American free enterprise system. It may not have been our largest program in history, but I submit to you that it may have been the best and most powerful program in our 43-year history. Our students needed us, and we may have needed them even more.

This past summer I talked to the students about teamwork. It's a topic we always cover at PFEW, but this year I really wanted to hit on the importance of having a good team. I reminded them that it's easy to get along with your team when times are good. It's when times are tough that you learn so much about the true makeup of your team. It's during those times that you must dig deep and make sure your teammates know you will always be there for them. YOU are our team. Thank you for always being there for us... through the good times and the bad. I can assure you that, thanks to you, our comeback has been much bigger than our setback.

Karen M. Musanto

## educate

## THE CHALLENGE - RECRUITING FOR A LIVE PROGRAM IN A VIRTUAL WORLD

This year's PFEW student recruiting season was like a 500-mile Formula 1 road race. At the beginning of our 2021 program year last October, our board made the brilliant

decision to extend an invitation to all 1,500+ students who were signed up for the canceled PFEW 2020 to attend in 2021, including, for the first time in our history, those registrants who would have graduated high school. Over 760 students initially transferred their 2020 applications to 2021, giving us a great start to the recruiting season.

Then COVID reared its ugly head again, wreaking havoc on VP of Educational Relations Michelle Warofka and Schools Manager Amber Goss. They were forced to slow down for the myriad twists, turns, roadblocks and obstacles, i.e. schools

that were 100% virtual, schools that were 100% in person, and even more that were hybrid. But no matter how schools educated their students, they were prohibiting in-person visits. Some would not even allow virtual visits. Undaunted, Michelle created some magic (in the form of her new presentation studio) and Amber got to work scheduling remote visits. Then we were back on track for the race to the finish.

When all was said and done, we crossed the line victorious after what was unquestionably the most challenging student recruiting season in our 43-year history.

How did we get there? 244 remote presentations to 73 schools and 1 live presentation to 1 school lead to 920

After cancellations, this lead to an amazing 1.139 2021 PFEW graduates from 54 of Pennsylvania's 67 counties. We're proud

## 2021 PFFW HONOR ROLL

We're pleased to present our 2021 High School Honor Roll and Platinum Club. Profound thanks to all the administrators, educators, counselors and everyone who promoted and recommended PFEW to their students during this most challenging year. Your belief in our mission to teach young people about the wonders of business and American free enterprise is inspiring!

## **ALLEGHENY**

Aguinas Academy Central Catholic HS Hampton HS Highlands SHS Mt Lebanon SHS North Allegheny IHS North Allegheny SHS Oakland Catholic HS Our Lady Sacred Heart HS Pine-Richland HS Sewickley Academy Shady Side Academy Thomas Jefferson HS Upper Saint Clair HS

## **ARMSTRONG**

Apollo-Ridge HS Armstrong JSHS

## **BEAVER**

Beaver Area SHS Beaver Co. Christian School Home School New Brighton Area HS PA Cyber Charter School Quigley Catholic HS Riverside HS

### BEDFORD Bedford SHS

## **BERKS**

Boyertown Area SHS Conrad Weiser HS Daniel Boone Area HS Fleetwood SHS

### **BERKS** continued

Muhlenberg HS Schuvlkill Valley HS Wilson HS

Hollidaysburg Area SHS Williamsburg HS

## **BRADFORD**

Athens Area HS Canton JSHS Home School Sayre Area HS

#### **BUCKS**

Bristol JSHS Bucks Co Technical High School Central Bucks HS-East Conwell-Egan Catholic HS Council Rock - North SHS Council Rock - South SHS Faith Christian Academy George School Neshaminy HS Pennridge HS Quakertown Community SHS School Lane Charter School Upper Bucks County AVTS Villa Joseph Marie HS

## **BUTLER**

Butler Area SHS Knoch HS Seneca Valley IHS Seneca Valley SHS

## **CAMBRIA**

Central Cambria HS Ferndale Area JSHS Forest Hills HS

### CAMERON

Cameron County JSHS

#### CENTRE

Bald Eagle Area JSHS

#### **CHESTER**

21st Century Cyber School Achievement House Cyber Charter School Avon Grove HS Bayard Rustin H.S. Bishop Shanahan HS Coatesville Area SHS Conestoga HS Devon Preparatory School Downingtown SHS - East Downingtown SHS - West Downingtown STEM Academy Henderson SHS Kennett HS Owen J Roberts HS Oxford Area HS PA Leadership Charter School Renaissance Academy Charter School Technical College HS -Brandywine Campus West Chester East SHS

#### **CLARION**

Clarion Area JSHS

## **CLEARFIELD**

Dubois Area SHS DuBois Central Catholic HS

### CLINTON

Central Mountain HS Keystone Central CTC

#### **COLUMBIA**

Central Columbia SHS

#### **CRAWFORD**

Cochranton JSHS Meadville Area SHS Titusville SHS

### **CUMBERLAND**

Camp Hill SHS Carlisle HS Cumberland Valley HS Fast Pennsboro Area SHS Harrisburg Academy Home School Mechanicsburg Area HS Shippensburg Area SHS Trinity High School

#### DAUPHIN

Central Dauphin SHS Halifax Area HS Hershey HS Reach Cyber CS Upper Dauphin Area HS

#### **DELAWARE**

Academy of Notre Dame Archbishop John Carroll HS Bonner Prendergast Catholic HS Haverford SHS Radnor SHS Springfield HS Strath Haven HS

## ELK

Ridgway Area HS

## ERIE

Erie County Technical School Erie HS Fairview HS Fort LeBoeuf SHS Girard HS Harbor Creek JSHS McDowell IHS McDowell SHS Mercyhurst Prep Northwest PA Collegiate Academy 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



Pictured here is Michelle in her office studio conducting one of her many remote presentations.



new applicants. And, when combined with the 763 2020 transfers, a total of 1,683 applications were received.

to count this year's graduates among the 47,756 students who have taken the PFEW journey since our founding in 1979

## **FRANKLIN**

Chambersburg Area SHS Franklin County CTC

## **FULTON**

McConnellsburg HS

### GREENE

Waynesburg Central HS West Greene HS

## **INDIANA**

Indiana Area SHS United JSHS

## **JEFFERSON**

Brockway Area JSHS

## **LACKAWANNA**

Old Forge JSHS Riverside JSHS

## **LANCASTER**

Conestoga Valley SHS Elizabethtown Area SHS Ephrata SHS Hempfield HS Lancaster Catholic HS

## **LAWRENCE**

Neshannock JSHS

### **LEBANON**

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Lycoming CTC
Montgomery SHS
Montoursville Area SHS
Muncy JSHS
South Williamsport Area JSHS
Williamsport Area SHS

## **MCKEAN**

Bradford Area HS

#### **MERCER**

Greenville JSHS Grove City Area HS Reynolds JSHS

## **MONTGOMERY**

Abington Friends School Abington SHS Central Montco Technical HS Germantown Academy

### MONTGOMERY continued

Hatboro-Horsham SHS Jenkintown HS Lower Moreland HS Merion Mercy Academy Methacton HS Mount Saint Joseph Academy North Penn SHS Perkiomen Valley HS Pope John Paul II HS Pottsgrove SHS Souderton Area SHS Spring-Ford SHS The Haverford School The Hill School Upper Perkiomen HS Wissahickon SHS

## **NORTHAMPTON**

Bangor Area HS Saucon Valley SHS

## **NORTHUMBERLAND**

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Cranberry Area JSHS Franklin Area HS Oil City SHS Venango Tech Center

## WARREN

Warren Area HS

## WASHINGTON

Burgettstown JSHS Peters Township HS

### **WESTMORELAND**

Derry Area SHS
Eastern Westmoreland CTC
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Greater Latrobe SHS
Greensburg Central Catholic
Hempfield Area SHS
Ligonier Valley SHS
Mt. Pleasant Area JSHS
The Kiski School

### YORK

Central York HS Red Land SHS Spring Grove Area HS

## OUR 2021 PLATINUM CLUB (20+ PFEW GRADUATES)

Downingtown SHS - East, Chester County	50
Loyalsock Twp SHS, Lycoming County	33
Knoch HS, Butler County	. 31
Downingtown SHS - West, Chester County	29
Pope John Paul II HS, Montgomery County	28
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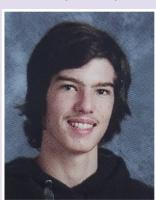
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Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week, The Stock Market Game<sup>™</sup> and the Speaker Series exist because of hundreds of large and small companies, foundations, chambers, civic organizations, and individuals who believe in teaching our youth the vital importance of financial literacy, career preparedness, business and the American free enterprise system.

Their financial support, generosity and sheer dedication to this mission has provided world class economic education to over 12,000 young Pennsylvanians this past year. Please join us in thanking these wonderful organizations and individuals who have opened countless doors to the future and set our young people on a path to personal and professional success.

66 I would like to keep encouraging you to sponsor fascinated young adults like myself to have this incredible, hands-on opportunity to gain an understanding of business and teamwork within this remarkable week-long camp. The workforce needs my generation to understand what is necessary in business, as it's a part of our day to day lives, whether directly



or indirectly. By sponsoring teens at this camp, you're helping to change the outcome of our future one person at a time. "

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John Jensen was a sheer force of nature. He served as a PFEW Company Advisor for more than two decades and he even encouraged his family to get involved! John passed away last year after a brief battle with cancer but his legacy of caring lives on. Pictured here during Week 4 of this year's program are his two brothers-in-law (also PFEW Company Advisors), Bill Koehle (I) and David Sawtelle (r) with the two students sponsored by the John M. Jensen Memorial Fund.

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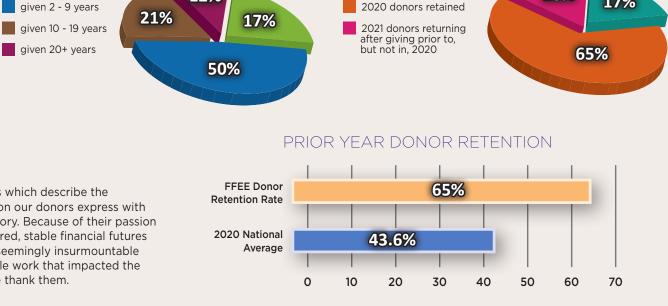
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But the true story of our donors is told in these three charts which describe the unprecedented lovalty, longevity, and commitment to mission our donors express with their gifts year after year. They are the true heroes of this story. Because of their passion and vision, vital skills were developed, careers were discovered, stable financial futures were forged, and leaders were born. In a year fraught with seemingly insurmountable challenges, our donors met those challenges head on - noble work that impacted the lives of 12.000 students, and for that and so much more, we thank them.



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66 In a world where times are everchanging and we are constantly needing to adapt, I feel PFEW has exceeded in preparing me for a multitude of realworld situations and challenges that I will surely face in my future. "

Nick Brenkacs Trinity High School, Cumberland County

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grateful I am for the opportunity you have given me, and the other students you sponsored. I have never learned so much and met so many great people in the short course of a week. Business, whether you go into it as a career or not, is part of everyone's life, so I'm so glad me and so many others got to experience and learn it in such a hands-on fashion. "

66 I wanted to let you know how eternally

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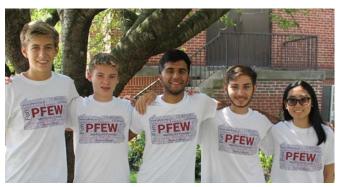
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The wonderful folks at **Huntington National Bank** have sponsored more than 500 students to attend PFEW over their 19-year history with the Foundation. Pictured here during Week II of this year's program are eight of the many students Huntington sponsored this year.





**Shell Chemical Appalachia LLC** provided a wonderful gift to send their local Beaver County students to this year's PFEW program. Here are just a few of the many students they sponsored this year.



These bright smiling students are among the many sponsored by the incredible team at **West Pharmaceutical**. West has been an integral part of PFEW's history, providing educational opportunities for hundreds of students over their 27-year history with the Foundation.

## THE FREDERICK W. ANTON, III ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The wonderful men and women listed here have established permanent Endowment Funds to ensure that the young people of Pennsylvania continue to receive impactful economic education that will improve the future of our state and nation for years to come.

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## mentor

Our PFEW Keynote Speakers traditionally kick off the students' week with inspiring messages from the real world of modern business. This year, we were blessed to have with us four dynamic business leaders who shared their powerful and candid stories of personal and professional grit, determination, struggles, triumphs, and tools and tips on how to become great leaders in today's rapidly changing business world...



Week I PFEW Keynote Speaker

## KAREN P. NORHEIM

**President & COO** 

American Crane and Equipment Corporation

Karen Norheim is passionate about all things manufacturing. As the 2nd generation to lead her family's company, American Crane & Equipment Corporation, Karen has sought to solidify the "Founder's Legacy" while putting her own stamp on the company culture.

American Crane's new mantra - *Grit Matters: Perseverance, Heart & Integrity* - is the reboot of their vision, mission, and values. As she puts it, Karen's role is that of a gardener as she leads the successful day-to-day operations of the 180-person manufacturing facility headquartered in Douglassville, PA into the future. American Crane is recognized as a leader in the design and manufacture of cranes, hoists and other material handling equipment.

Karen earned a Bachelor of Science degree in both Marketing & International Business and International Studies from the Pennsylvania State University, along with an MBA and a Master's degree in Information Science.

By mentoring others and promoting the industry, Karen has become a manufacturing leader in Berks County and beyond. She is a

true spokesperson for the great jobs and quality of life that the industry can provide, and she is a dynamic force when it comes to the rapid advancement of technology and innovation occurring in manufacturing. Karen enthusiastically encourages young people to consider careers in manufacturing – especially women. She is a frequent speaker at local schools and professional organizations.

In addition to her many roles in the company, Karen also sits on the boards of many industry-leading organizations. She plays a pivotal role in the Greater Reading Chamber Alliance's Next Gen Advanced Manufacturing Industry Partnership. Her leadership within this group as an appointed "Champion" has strongly supported the identification of common areas for regional growth, talent development, and workforce pipeline solutions that can be addressed with one voice. Karen is Vice-President of the Crane Manufacturers Association of America, Inc. (CMAA), and also serves as Chairperson for the National Board of Women in Manufacturing (WiM).



Week II PFEW Keynote Speaker

# RENATE SPRUNG VP of Marketing Kitchen Magic

Renate Sprung is VP of Marketing and Product Development at Kitchen Magic in Nazareth, PA, a family owned and operated kitchen cabinet refacing company serving the Northeast U.S. Founded in 1979 by Renate's father and mother, Jost and Reine Fleck, the business has grown from a tiny flood-prone basement in Allentown, PA to a state-of-the-art warehouse in Nazareth, PA and today, Kitchen Magic employs over 200 people serving clients in six states.

Kitchen Magic is a true family business. Renate's brother-in-law Brett Bacho serves as president and CEO, sister Cindy Purcell is VP of Customer Experience, sister Lotte is VP of HR and Accounting, and Brett's brother, Chad Bacho, is the company's IT Director. The family is fond of saying that Kitchen Magic became the venture that 'stuck'.

Renate attended Drew University in Madison, NJ, looking toward a career in journalism, which didn't quite go as planned. She returned to work in the family business after college, then stepped away for a decade and entered the retail furniture business. Later, as a single mom with three small children at home, she shifted gears again and became an independent marketing consultant. When Kitchen Magic became a client, so began her journey back home.

Kitchen Magic knows the company is only as good as its people. They are passionate about teaching employees to think like business people, so they adopted the 'Great Game of Business' developed by Jack Stack and run the business using open book management. Monthly expenses and earnings are shared with employees who actively manage and forecast expenses in each department, from manufacturing to marketing.

When the team wins together, everyone shares in the profits or 'gainshare'. In 2020,



despite being shut down for twelve weeks during COVID, Kitchen Magic was able to pay out significant and much needed gainshare to employees. Renate says the best part is, they earned it together.

...The common theme every Keynote Speaker left our students? No one does it alone. You need help along the way, and sometimes you must summon the courage or swallow your pride and ask for that help. Powerful, lasting, impactful messages from four powerful fantastic modern business leaders!





Week III PFEW Keynote Speaker

## **SANDRA E. PIERCE**

Senior Executive VP, Private Client Group, Regional Banking Director & Chair of Michigan **Huntington National Bank** 

Sandy Pierce is passionate about serving others, helping people achieve their goals and improving her home state of Michigan. At Huntington National Bank, she leads several revenue segments, including the Private Bank, Vehicle Finance, Huntington Insurance and Regional Banking. And as the bank's chair of Michigan, she's responsible for all activities in the state.

Sandy says it's an honor to oversee a talented and committed team of colleagues with a common purpose: making people's lives better, helping businesses thrive and strengthening the communities they serve.

Sandy joined Huntington in 2016 after the merger with FirstMerit, where she served as vice chairman of the bank and as chairman and CEO of FirstMerit Michigan. Before FirstMerit, she spent more than three decades in banking, including 27 years at JPMorgan Chase.

Sandy is a proud Detroit native. Because of everything



her hometown has given to her, she is as committed as ever to making it an even better place to live and work. She says her biggest opportunity to give back was serving as chairman of the Detroit Financial Advisory Board which oversaw the city's fiscal restructuring as it navigated through the country's largest-ever municipal bankruptcy.

Sandy serves on many nonprofit boards, including the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, Henry Ford Health System, Downtown Detroit Partnership, Detroit Economic Club, Michigan Women Forward, Business Leaders for Michigan, Detroit Zoological Society and Wayne State University's Foundation Board. She serves as board director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago-Detroit Branch and ITC Holdings Corporation. She also is a board member of Penske Automotive Group, American Axle Manufacturing and Barton Malow.

When she's not working, she enjoys playing golf, reading and, most of all, spending time with her husband, three children and six grandchildren.



Week IV PFEW Keynote Speaker

# CHRISTINA KRAMER Community Relations Specialist Range Resources Corporation

Christina Kramer has been with Range Resources since 2014. At Range, Christina's primary focus is on the planning and execution of the company's community relations, public affairs outreach, and charitable giving initiatives in southwestern Pennsylvania. Christina is continuously evaluating giving priorities to identify opportunities to improve and enhance Range's contributions. She has helped Range establish civic engagement programs that are designed to have long-term positive impacts on organizations within its core operating footprint. The Range Corporate Partnership platform takes a long-term perspective and aims to build relationships with those who seek to enhance the standard of living in Range's communities. Christina manages Range's investment through a charitable giving model that is thoughtfully administered through designated target categories including conservation, education and youth activities. Christina also helps Range to leverage its employee volunteer program, employee grant matching program, and its Good Neighbor program to maximize



resources and opportunities to provide the most benefit. Over the past 10 years, Range has proudly donated more than \$10 million and its employees have volunteered more than 10,000 hours to support causes in its local communities.

Christina serves on special committees for Dress for Success Pittsburgh, Transitional Paths to Independent Living, Junior Achievement of Western PA and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. In

2017, she was featured in "Inside Washington County" magazine as part of a special section focused on rising young professionals. In 2019, she received the Junior Achievement Inspiring Success Award in the Science, Engineering, Production and Technology category. Prior to joining Range, Christina was employed by U.S. Steel in their Government Affairs division. Christina graduated from the University of Pittsburgh in 2009, and during her college career, she held internships with KDKA NewsRadio 1020, CBS Radio Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Steelers, and was a member of Pitt's cheer team. Christina, her husband Mitch, and sons Cameron and Alex live in Moon Township with their two cats, Chandler Bing and Carmella.



Our fantastic Week IV CAs enjoying a relaxing moment at the Rock

## **OUR 2021 COMPANY ADVISORS**

We call our Company Advisors "the Heart and Soul" of PFEW for good reason. These wonderful men and women devote a week of their time away from work and family, mentoring a team of eager students as they navigate the exciting yet complex world of modern business. Our Advisors wear many hats – mentor, friend, guide, sounding board, confidante, trusted peer and more. But their mere presence creates a welcoming, calming, secure environment where failure leads to learning, where success is celebrated and shared, where individuals become a cohesive and dynamic team, and where true learning can take place. Their only goals? To impart a little wisdom, share their experience, instill confidence, foster discovery, and above all, to make a lasting impact that leaves our students a bit smarter, a bit wiser, and with a newfound passion for business and life. Please join us in recognizing and thanking the following extraordinary men and women who served as our PFEW 2021 Company Advisors.

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Long-time Week II Company Advior Carl Marrara encouraging his team prior to their Friday Stockholders presentation.

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66 I always tell my friends and colleagues that I am confident that I get as much if not more out of the experience at Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week (PFEW) as a volunteer advisor than the students do. To see the development of these students in just one week is awe-inspiring, and to know you had even just a slight effect on that, humbling. From the inspirational speakers, to the lessons on complex business concepts, to the camaraderie experienced throughout that one week. PFEW is a transformational experience and one that I hope to always be a part of. "

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On the final day of each PFEW session, our teams are responsible for delivering two formal judged presentations - a Stockholders Annual Meeting and an Advertising/Marketing campaign - that cumulatively count 50% toward the awarding of each week's Top Company. Our Competition Judges are experts in their respective fields and they evaluate each team's level of understanding and provide our anxious teams valuable feedback on their performance. They are an integral part of the students' PFEW experience, and we are pleased to recognize and thank the following wonderful men and women who served as this year's PFEW Advertising and Stockholders Judges.

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A huge part of our Foundation's success each year is owed to the wonderful Partners listed here who help us recruit students, raise funds, increase awareness, make valuable connections, and acquire the materials to run three successful youth education programs. They are valued and treasured members of the Foundation family and we thank them for their incredible energy, passion and commitment to our mission and the youth of Pennsylvania. They are:

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## **OUR 2021 SPEAKERS**

Unquestionably, one of the greatest benefits of PFEW lies in the powerful messages from our Speakers. These very special women and men have a unique way of connecting with our young people to inform, educate, comfort, challenge, motivate, guide, and inspire. They encourage our students to think a bit more broadly, care a bit more deeply, take a bit more responsibility, find a bit more meaning, reach a bit higher, and make genuine connections that will define and shape their very character and their life's work. Please join us in recognizing and thanking the following extraordinary and dynamic men and women who shared their experience, strength and hope at PFEW 2021.

## "Own the Moment, Change the World"

Mr. Rick Yarosh Sgt. USA, Retired Sweethearts and Heroes



66 I appreciate

the speakers for

explaining the true

thankful, hopeful,

selfless. "

Crawford County

Irulan Walker Meadville Area SHS,

positive, and being

importance of being

an army veteran with a great story about hope, and David Flood, who talked about inclusion and happiness. They both opened my eyes to things I never thought about. I encourage you to continue sponsoring students in the future because it is a life changing experience. ""

Jason Koser Downingtown SHS - East. Chester County

"Go Forth Be Brilliant!"

Mr. Christopher Snyder

Vice President of Operations

i9 Sports

## 66 I loved Rick Yarosh. "Look on the Inside"

Mr. David J. Flood Youth Motivational Speaker



## "It's Your Attitude Not Your

Mr. Kevin W. Davis President





## Aptitude = Your Altitude"

The Davis Group (ret.)



## "Management Simulation Orientation"

## Mr. Jeremy J. Kropf

Technology and Project Manager Foundation for Free Enterprise Education

## "Peer Leadership and Responsibility"

Colonel David R. Hall

USAF (ret.) DRH Pilot Services, LLC



## "Personal Management Skills - For Fun & Profit!"

Mr. Charles L. Witmer Controller County of Centre (ret.)



## "Relentless Leadership"

## Mr. Richie Contartesi

Founder, National Speaker & Author Relentless University



## 66 There were several speakers that taught me incredible lessons and touched my heart in ways that I have never experienced from live talks. I will carry so many of their words with me for the rest of my life. "

Audrev Starck North Allegheny IHS, Allegheny County

## "Stockholders" Presentation Briefina"

### Mr. Thomas S. Born

Credit Manager, Private Client Group Huntington National Bank

## Mr. Joseph A. Giedgowd

Byers' Choice, Ltd.

## Ms. Naiva Patel Financial Analyst

First Service Residential

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

## "Success From the Inside Out: The Five Cs"

## Ms. Jennifer L. Croneberger, **MGCP**

President, Speaker, Coach JLynne Consulting Group, LLC



## "The Importance of Effective Marketing & Advertising"

## Mr. Scott T. Lee

VP of Marketing & Development Foundation for Free Enterprise Edu.

## Mr. Kyle P. Wherrity Owner Hau'oli Marketing & Events

"The Margin of Excellence... The Importance of Commitment, Confidence, and Courage"

## Mr. Joe Battista

Owner Pragmatic Passion LLC



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

Mr. Todd Cohen, CSP Professional Speaker, Trainer and Author

**Building Sales Culture** 



## impact - PFEW

IMPACT. It's the sole reason we exist. To leave our students a little smarter, a little better, a little more prepared. To teach skills, to open doors, to ignite a passion for success, to change lives and futures. As Karen said in her Welcome, this year's PFEW program just may have been the best and most powerful in our history. It's impossible for us to put this impact into words, so experience it in the words of our students...

66 I've laughed more, learned more, been the most productive, and been the happiest I've been at this camp than I've been in a while. I now know what real business looks like. I know what real friends look like. I know more about myself because of PFEW. This camp has inspired every inch of me to strive for greatness and made me realize my truest potential. From the CAs, to the speakers, to my peers, each individual has impacted my life more than they know. So thank you for this amazing opportunity. From someone whose future and dreams were saved by this camp, thank you. You have blessed my



life, and without you, I would not be here. I would not have had the best and most life changing week of my life. "

Bianca Brown Springfield HS, Delaware County



## **DISCOVERY**

98.4% of this year's

PFEW graduates have a greater appreciation for the

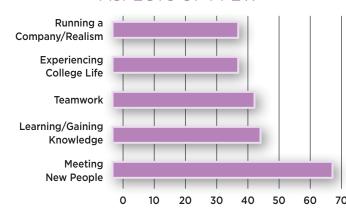
challenges facing

business owners and employers.

A staggering 99.4% stated that PFEW helped them better understand

how a business works.

## THE FIVE MOST INTERESTING ASPECTS OF PFEW



66 This is an opportunity like no other, one that is life-changing. It opens your eyes to so many possibilities, uncovers so many skills you never thought you had. ??

Jadyn Danylko McDowell SHS, Erie County

## SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

98.9% of our 2021 respondents stated that the skills they learned at PFEW would benefit them as students, employees, employers, citizens and leaders. The top five skills they gained or improved upon were:

- 1. Communication
- 2. Confidence
- 3. Teamwork
- 4. Collaboration
- 5. Critical Thinking

Followed very closely by Time Management, Leadership and Problem Solving. 66 I messaged my dad one day to tell him about all the cool things like the BizSim computer simulation. He told me that he deals with that kind of stuff every day. It's awesome that I learn real life skills. 99

Jason Koser Downingtown SHS - East, Chester County

## **TECHNOLOGY**

Thanks to our generous donors, we were able to

introduce new technology to this year's PFEW program and it made an astounding impact.

92% of PFEW participants reported that they now have a better understanding of how technology can be used in the workforce. The top three uses of this new technology at the program were:

- 1. Accessing the PFEW portal to fully utilize the many new digital learning resources
- Operating the online BizSim simulation to make their twelve quarterly decisions and to understand and chart the effects that their decisions, their competition and the economy had on their operations
- 3. Prepare marketing materials including websites, flyers, videos, social media, and other advertising collateral.





experiences of my high school life and I could not be more thankful. I learned more this week than I have in any of my high school business and marketing classes. From the inspiring speakers to the incredible team-building activities, this has truly been a life-changing experience for me. \*\*?

Sophia Torres Muhlenberg HS, Berks County

# PREPARATION FOR CAREER AND LIFE

A large part of our mission is to prepare our youth for successful futures. Here are three remarkable statistics on how PFEW 2021 did just that.

97.5% of our 2021 graduates stated that they are now more aware of careers available in business and in their communities.

are now more likely to consider a career in business/entrepreneurship, and finally,

of our respondents reported that because of PFEW, they were now better prepared to enter the workforce or higher education.

66 During the pandemic, I felt especially insignificant in a vast, struggling world. Coming to PFEW was such a joyful experience, and it reminded me that there are so many ways to make a difference – and that the world may struggle, but there is always hope. Meeting and working together with students from all over the state was inexplicable. It sounds like a movie script, but people instantly made friends and respected one another, and I was reminded of how amazing people are. I learned from the business simulation, speakers, team meetings, and marketing campaign organization how a business can be conceived, how to market. how to balance and report finances, and so much more. At PFEW, I was able to meet friends that I will stay in contact with, work in a professional environment, use critical thinking, participate in company meetings, and so much more. I experienced a taste of campus life and learned how business permeates all fields – whether the process of developing a product, financial responsibility, or genuine communication. No matter the

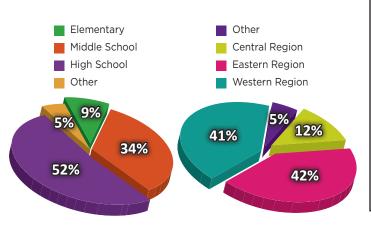
direction I go, I have received an excellent foundation in these skills – thanks to you.

Abby Killam Indiana Area SHS, Indiana County

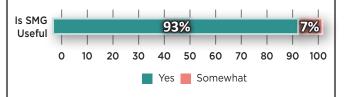


## impact - The STOCK MARKET GAME™

This year's story of The Stock Market Game™ (SMG), like all youth education, is one of perseverance, grit, and determination. COVID remained the elephant in the room as schools faced constant schedule and policy changes, remote learning, hybrid models, distancing, masking, and all the myriad challenges of providing quality education through the pandemic. Despite all of this, we're pleased to report that educators offered SMG to more than 6,000 students statewide during the 2020-21 school year. Here's a breakdown of this year's participants by grade level and region.



The beauty of SMG is that its resources, including instructional videos, lessons and the trading platform itself, is online, enabling even students who were 100% remote to continue playing the game, and more importantly, continue learning. A survey of this year's teachers proved that once again, SMG is impactful and effective in teaching our students vital skills necessary for success.



THIS YEAR'S TEACHERS IDENTIFIED THE TOP THREE SKILLS STUDENTS DEVELOP BY PLAYING THE STOCK MARKET GAME

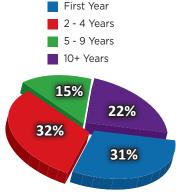


66 My students are extremely excited. Some of them who were once silent are now loud. I did this years ago as a student and it changed my life. I am so happy I can now teach it! ??

James Fitzpatrick

Teacher at Philadelphia Performing Arts Charter School

We are thrilled to welcome new teachers and schools into the SMG family, but we're also proud of the teachers who offer SMG year after year to generations of students. It speaks to the program's effectiveness and power. This chart breaks down our teachers' experience with SMG.



## 2021-2022 COMPETITIVE SESSIONS

Year-Long Session:	. 9/13/21 to 4/8/22
Fall Session:	.9/27/21 to 12/3/21
Spring Session:	. 2/7/22 to 4/15/22

Enrichment (non-competitive) sessions are also available, and the dates can be found by visiting our website, www.pfew.org.



Butler County Community
College (BC3) has always
been passionate about SMG.
They graciously hosted a
distanced, outdoor awards
ceremony in May celebrating the
West region participants and
winners, shown at left. Thank
you, BC3, for your steadfast
devotion to our youth!

The three students pictured on the right took their initial \$100,000 investment and turned it into over \$1 million in just 10 short weeks. That's a staggering 900% return, but you can't hire them just yet... they've got to finish school first!



# impact SPEAKER SERIES

Workforce development remains the number one concern facing PA employers. They're having great difficulty finding employees with the knowledge and skills they need. That's why in 2020 we created the Speaker Series career exploration and workforce development program – to help not only our young people, but anyone, to explore careers and secure that perfect job. We're excited to report that the Speaker Series experienced rapid growth and usage this past year. As of this writing, our library of online resources has expanded to eighty-one dynamic videos broken into two tracks:

## LIFE TRACK

The Life Track features eleven of our world-class PFEW speakers recorded live in the summer of 2020. They cover topics including motivation, personal development, overcoming obstacles, entrepreneurship and more.



Enterprise Week's virtual Speaker Series helped me to understand the parts of adulthood I try so hard to step into. Every week I came back to the Zoom calls because every week I

left wanting more about topics like maturity, leadership, and financial responsibility. I was guided and made connections with people that have truly gained my respect. Mentor figures willingly stepped into my life through my computer screen and I had the chance to ask them about the human struggles I deal with almost every day. During the weeks I attended (the Speaker Series), I learned how to put myself out there and be okay with what comes back. I have learned so much, including how to learn. "

Luke Barcalow
Downingtown High School - East, Chester County



## CAREER TRACK

The Career Track features seventy videos from experts across a wide variety of fields discussing their careers, education, skills and other topics related to succeeding in those fields.

These videos are available free of charge to students, educators, and anyone interested in exploring or changing careers. Speaker Series videos are organized by topic on our website for quick and easy reference. Many videos are listed in more than one category. Here's just a sample of the fields covered by the Speaker Series. We'll be adding to this list in the future to provide even more value!

Agriculture
Career Planning
College Preparation
Communications
Community Resources
Education
Engineering
Entrepreneurs
Financial Services
Free Enterprise
Government
Human Resources

Healthcare

Information Technology
Immigration
Insurance
Leadership
Manufacturing
Marketing
Military
Motivation
Non-Profits
Personal Development
Sales
Services

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Total number of Speaker Series Videos through August 15, 2021 5,314
Total Speaker Series
unique views
through August 15, 2021

## **TOOLS FOR SUCCESS**

To provide even more value, we've created a **Speaker Series Accompaniment Workbook** which helps educators and students fulfill many state-mandated Career, Education and Work (C.E.W.) standards. The Workbook also contains interactive, easy-to-use resources that help students and prospective job seekers prepare for their next great job. They're broken out on our website for quick reference and include:



Postsecondary Preparation and Career Exploration – A great primer covering career interests, skills development and mentorship development.



**Resume Writing** – a step-by-step guide to writing a great resume. It also contains styles of resumes, tips, and templates to create your resume in minutes.



**Job Application** - Tips and templates on how to successfully complete a modern job application that will get you noticed.



**Job Interview Process** - Walks the user through the complex world of job interviews. Includes Do's and Don'ts, sample interview questions, and important things to ask potential employers.



Writing a Professional Business Letter - Handy tips on how to write a professional business letter. Letter writing is becoming a lost art, and this resource helps the user write a concise, relevant letter that will make them stand above the crowd. Includes letter and envelope templates.



**How to Get and Keep a Job** - A true workforce etiquette resource. Common sense advice on what to expect from your job and how to navigate those workplace pitfalls and challenges in a straightforward, professional manner.



**Career Ready Bucks** – Additional workforce development resources for students, educators, and businesses from our friends at the Bucks County Intermediate Unit.

## WE WANT YOU!

If you work in a field not yet represented by our Speaker Series and you'd like to share your story, we'd love to feature you. Simply contact us at 814-833-9576 or visit our website at www.pfew.org, click on Speaker Series and then "Become a Volunteer". It's quick, it's easy, and you'll be helping the next generation discover exciting careers in your field. We look forward to hearing from you!

## 12,785

The total number of young Pennsylvanians impacted by Foundation programming in 2021.

THE FOUNDATION'S PROGRAMS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE THOUSANDS OF DEDICATED PARTNERS LISTED IN THIS IMPACT REPORT. ON BEHALF OF OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE STAFF,

AND ALL THE YOUTH WHOSE LIVES YOU HAVE HELPED CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.

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