



February 13, 2020

Building Beat

Cardinal Country

Upcoming

Monday, February 17:
Intercession

Tuesday, February 18:
Intercession

**Wednesday,
February 19:**
Intercession

Thursday, February 20:
Intercession

Friday, February 21:
No school

Monday, February 24:
DHS Girls' Lacrosse sign
up/ informational meeting
4:30pm in the AMR.

Hahn Intermediate
Progress Reports for 3rd
Marking Period

Thomson Elementary
Book Fair Begins

Thursday, February 27:
Hahn Intermediate Parent
Teacher Conferences
4-7 p.m. by appointment

Thomson Elementary:
Family Reading Night
5-7 p.m.

Vex Robotics compete in Haslett and Hale over weekend

It was a busy weekend for Mrs. **Samantha Sny's** Vex Robotics students. At the Hale Area Robotics tournament, Davison High School's Cyber Knights made up of **Austin Keys, Abdu Eldohiri** and **Gavin Schriber** took sixth in the qualification rounds and continued on to the semi finals with their alliance HACK.



Team T-VEX made up of **Chloe Hinkley, Carly Moses** and **Brevik Tefft** ranked 16th in qualification rounds and made it to quarterfinals with their alliance, Gruntled, Sunday at the Mid-Michigan tournament in Haslett. While the Haslett placing was not as exciting as when Team T-Vex made it to semifinals on the first round at the Robohawks tournament in Cass City, there was a lot of tough competition this weekend fighting for spots at states, said Mrs. Sny.



Instrumental music students bringing home the hardware

Our talented instrumental music students were a force to be reckoned with at recent Solo and Ensemble competitions.

On January 25, Davison Middle School students **Andy Shorkey** on Trumpet, **Savanah Miller** on Trumpet, **Andy Marshick** on French Horn and **Caleb Ashley** on Percussion performed at the M.S.B.O.A. Honors Band Festival at Holly High School. Andy, Savanah, Andy and Caleb were selected based on their performances at the Solo & Ensemble Festival in December.

The MSBOA Junior high Honors Band is a group of 80 of the best middle school musicians in the Mid-Michigan area. On January 25, the students rehearsed intensely from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with College Band Directors and the whole day culminated with a fantastic concert in the evening!

"It proved to be a fun and rewarding experience for all of the student-musicians," said DMS Instrumental Music Teacher Mr. **James Bronson**.



DMS Honors Band members Savanah Miller, Andrew Shorkey, Caleb Ashley and Andy Marschick. Below, high school students participated in the District Solo and Ensemble Saturday, Feb. 8.



Davison High School was well represented at the District Solo and Ensemble held Saturday, February 8. DHS students gave 27 performances, resulting in 18 receiving 1s, seven earning 2s and two scoring 3s.



Here are the student musicians who performed: **Maleia Thompson, Miles Russell, Gabrielle Collick, Annabelle Grech, Chloe Hinkley, Alaysia Brown, Matthew Kilmer, Leigh Brown, Selena Puzjak, Emma Gilliam, Maya Rogers, Noah Rose, Alyssa Domby, Corbin Allen, Crystal Pace, Tessia Auger, Madison Starr, Rebekah Collins, Emily Estes, Jacob Crotteau, Montgomery Stheiner, Dylan Epperson, Kelsey Morris, Ariana DiMaggio, Logan Rutherford, Angelica Freese, Makenzie Sutton, Samira Chetta, Leah Albro, Emily Rose, Cassidy Verdier, Alaina Smotherman, Mia Aubuchon, Lucas Daunt, Halayna Bollwitt, Kent Gieselman, Sarah Johnson, Bailey Saffron, Mitchell Dyer, Tori Duckworth, Izabelle Moleski, Peyton Spodney, Joslyn Underhill, Selina Pulliam, Lilly Roof, Megan Burwell and Victoria Saylor.**



More than 80 students inducted into National Jr. Honor Society

More than 80 Davison Middle School students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on January 23. Congratulations to the following NJHS inductees: **Alayna Alexander, Jonathan Barbat, Lillian Beath, Joshua Beller, Sydney Benner, Charlette Block, Yona Boudagh, Tyler Boyd, Hailey Bristle, Amine Chetta, Alayna Cottrill, Annie Dieterich, Marionna Dixon, Logan Edmonds, Emmersyn Erway, Lauren Farrer, Madelyn Flynn, Collin Francis, Jenna Galonska, Keeghan Garrison-Hazel, Sophia Grech, McKenna Griswold, Sydney Hall, Benjamin Hartman, Christopher Haynes, Jaydan Howey, Olivia Hyatt, Kennedy Iddins, Kiele James, Chloe Johns, Rose Johnson, Grace Kellogg, Jocelyn Kircoff, Lillian Kish, Holly Konkel, Kathlyn Kraut, Sadie Lamb, Rachel Lashley, Abigail Latchana, Jennifer Lauderbaugh, Kevin Liang, Matthew Like, Grace Little, Shae Loyer, Andrew Marshick, Preston Mata, Paige McArdle, John McNicol, Lily Meyer, Savannah Miller, Lydia Minto, Carter Monreal, Lillian Morey, Chloe Murphy, Emelia Murphy, Isabella Norton, Sydney Panduren, Hannah Paquette, Andrew Pastor, Jacob Peterson, Lauren Reed, Karlie Roseberry, Bryan Seekings, Diego Serrels, Andrew Shorkey, Abigail Siekierski, Gavin Smith, Jackson Smith, Sydney Smith, Tyler Spangler, Savannah Stryznski, Nevaeh Szecsodi, Lorelei Thornton, Adasyn Tinnin, Nina Tracy, Scarlett Verburg, Devin Vo, Dustin White, Allison Widmann, Chloe Wright, Olivia Wright, Caden Yurk and Kendal Zomes.**

DMS Swim and Dive team has outstanding finish to season

Davison Middle School swim and dive team members finished their season with a very impressive showing at the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association State Invitational Meet held February 1 at Holt High School. The team earned the elite title of State Champions in the Girls' 400 Freestyle Relay. This all 8th-grade foursome was led off by **Emmersyn Erway**, followed by **Maddy Flynn** and **Lauren Auger**, and anchored by **Sarah Murawski**.

The girls set a new DMS record, coming in at 3:56.00. These four girls were also state runners-up in the 200 Medley Relay, setting yet another new school record, coming in at 1:59.66.

There were several top 16 showings from the girls and boys sessions of the meet, as well as a 13th place finish in Diving by **Seth Hopkins**. Here are the results:



- **Peyton Rich** took 6th place in both the 100 free and 200 free events.
- **Maddy Flynn** took 6th place in 50 Fly and 100 IM.
- **Sarah Murawski** took 9th in 50 free and 14th in 100 IM.
- **Emmersyn Erway** took 4th in 100 IM and 7th in 50 Fly.
- **Lauren Auger** took 9th in 100 Free and 17th in 100 IM.

- **Maddie Haldy** took 18th place in 100 breaststroke.
- 7th grader, **Merrick Spiewak** took 15th in 100 backstroke.
- 6th grader, **Augusta Young** took 23rd in 100 backstroke and 32nd in 50 Fly.
- Relay team consisting of **Maddie Haldy, Augusta Young, Kylie Worthing** and **Merrick Spiewak** had an awesome Top 16 finish in the 200 Freestyle Relay.
- The boys also had an impressive 8th place podium finish in the 400 Freestyle Relay. That foursome was led off by **Tommy Haldy**, followed by **Seth Hopkins** and **Ben Hartman**, and anchored by **Peyton Rich**.
- The boys 200 Freestyle Relay came in 12th place. That event was raced by **Seth Hopkins, Conner Cherney, Collin Francis** and **Peyton Rich**.

The team is coached by **Jen Heyworth** and assisted by **Jim LaFave**.

State Championship Football Team lauded by legislators in Lansing

The state championship **Davison High School Varsity Football Team** got the royal treatment last week as guests of State Representative (and former Davison High School teacher) Sheryl Kennedy. Team members were recognized on the floors of both the Senate and the House.

Also visiting Lansing last week was Dr. **Jason Vannest**, who serves as a counselor at Thomson and Hill elementary school buildings. Rep. Kennedy invited Vannest as her guest during Governor Gretchen Whitmer's State of the State address last week to raise awareness for the need of mental health services in schools.



DHS Senior nominated for Outstanding Youth at Voices for Children event

Davison High School senior **Carsyn Bruns** was honored at the Children's Champion Breakfast held last Friday, February 7, at the Riverfront Banquet Center in Flint. Carsyn was nominated for the Robert E. Weiss Outstanding Youth award by Davison High School Secretary **Jacqueline Addison**. The award recognizes a local high school student who has done something to make Genesee County a better community for children.



Nine athletes sign letters of intent to play sport at collegiate level

Nine Davison High School student athletes participated in a signing ceremony hosted by the Athletic Department Wednesday, February 5. Congratulations to:

- **Caleb Smith** - Football - South Dakota
- **Logan Pasco** - Football - Youngstown
- **Latrell Fordham** - Football - Ball State University
- **Keira Kuzinski** - Soccer - Fairmont State University
- **Jay Nivison** - Wrestling - Buffalo University of New York Buffalo
- **Brooke Kalisz** - Golf - Aquinas College
- **McKenzie Gilbert** - Soccer - Delta College
- **Lily Brown** - Swim/Softball - Alma College
- **Harrison Terry** - Football - Wayne State University



Alumni news ...

DHS 2018 graduate **TT Meeks** recently had her track and field collegiate debut. In her first meet, TT broke the Saginaw Valley State University school record in the weight throw. She is currently ranked #9 in the nation in that event.

TT is coached by former Davison graduate and track star **Nick Halabicky** (Class of 2011).

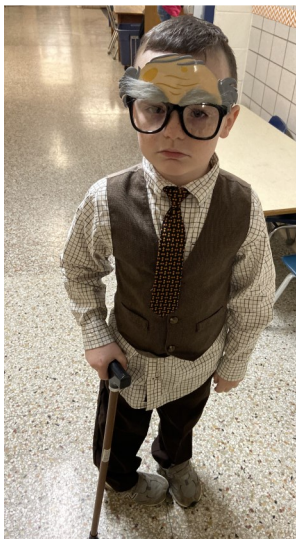


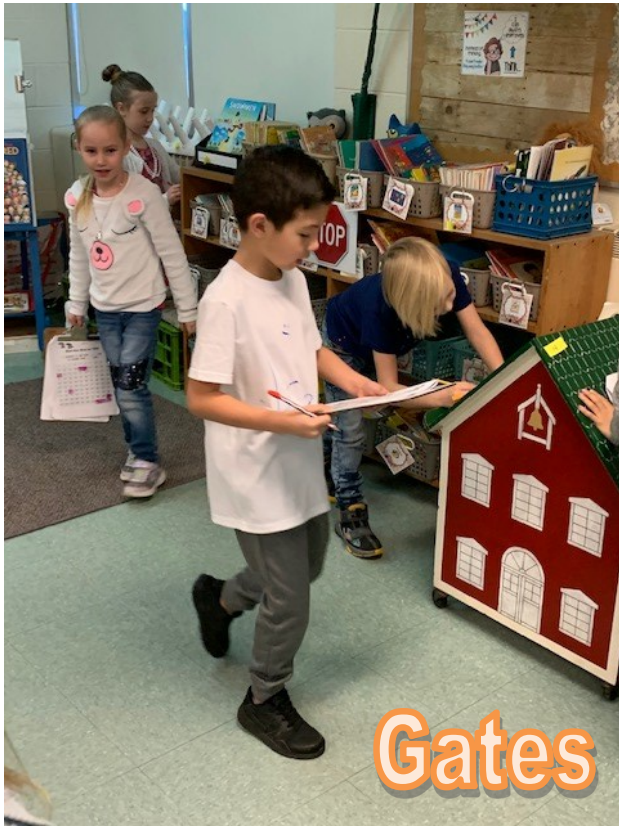


Elementary buildings throughout the district are finding fun ways to celebrate 100 days of school. Some dressed up like they were 100 years old while others made special T-shirts and other decorative wear. Students also searched for 100 items in classrooms and put together 100-piece puzzles.



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Recognizing staff members who go above and beyond in creating connections with students and living out our Kids First Mission. The staff member featured here was nominated for the monthly Kids First award but not randomly selected to win the \$100 gift card from the Mark Owen MEEMIC Insurance Agency. These stories still deserve to be told!

Norene Iseler

Nominated by Theresa Wendt,
Gates Elementary Principal



Norene has been a driver out of Gates for many years and has always had an amazing way with students. A few years ago she became one of the drivers for special needs students and this has been a perfect fit for her and a huge positive for our students.

“Presently, Norene has some difficult students from the Emotionally Impaired classroom riding her bus each day. She approaches each day, each student and each situation that may arise with respect, love and kindness.

“Most recently she has been working with a student who has severe behavior issues and willingly attended a meeting at the school with the parents, teachers and outside caseworkers. Norene was an active participant and was willing to do whatever she or her bus aide could do to help this student and family. She was compassionate and showed her concern for the student and the family.

“This situation is nothing new. Norene is always wanting to do what is in the best interest of kids and steps up to do exactly that!

“This is what makes Norene a Kids First Davison Employee.”



Norene Iseler, middle, with Transportation Supervisor Mark Fahr, left, and Superintendent Kevin Brown, right.