



April 25, 2019

Building Beat

Upcoming ...

Thursday, April 25:

Cardinal's Nest Preschool Open House, 5:30-7p.m.

No school for GSRP students; Parent Teacher Conferences

Kindergarten Roundup, AMR

Friday, April 26:

Application period for Schools of Choice begins and runs through Friday, May 10.

Gates Elementary Spirit Day

Last Day of Kindergarten Roundup

Mid-Semester Grade Reports Sent Home to DMS Parents

Reports Cards Sent Home with K-6th Grades

Monday, April 29:

Last day to purchase Prom tickets

Tuesday, April 30:

7th Grade M-STEP testing window begins

DECA students to compete at international conference

Sixteen Davison High School DECA students will be competing in the international conference in Orlando, Fla.

Nearly 50 of Davison's finest marketing students competed at the State DECA conference in the Cobo Hall in Detroit last month. After a successful showing, the Davison DECA chapter qualified 16 students to compete at the organization's international conference next week and will be one of the largest delegations in the state of Michigan.



DECA students at the state conference in Detroit last month.

DECA is an international organization of high school students that prepares young people who are interested in marketing, business and management. Ranging from local to international levels, DECA students are involved in competitions, social activities, community service and real work experience with local businesses. There are 160,000 worldwide involved in the DECA organization as members. DECA competitors study marketing and business topics in the classroom setting. They then practice how to present a project and think on their feet during role-playing situations. Students are able to experience first hand what they are learning in the classroom.

"Being part of DECA has opened my eyes to the business career field, and is definitely something I want to pursue," said chapter member **Ellie Timmons**.

The school's continued success stems from high expectations passed down from previous years, along with hours of hard work. Local business people as well as teachers and administrators work directly with students to help them complete real world campaigns and practice for competitions.

"The students did exceptionally well," chapter advisor and DHS Marketing Teacher **Matt Ames** said. "They seemed very prepared for this competition. I think students have an expectation of themselves because they see what people before them have done. They give up a lot of their own time to study and prepare."

Headed for Orlando are the following Davison DECA students who will participate in

the International DECA conference in Florida and their areas of competition: **Cassie Allard**, Financial Operations Marketing Research; **Josiah Black**, School-Based Enterprise Event; **Jennifer Bloch**, Entrepreneurship Promotion Project; **Brian Case**, Financial Operations Marketing Research; **Julie Chandler**, Integrated Marketing Campaign; **Tia France**, Financial Literacy Promotion Project; **Alyssa Hennessey**, Community Service Project; **Lo-renzo Luna**, Financial Literacy Promotion Project; **Libby Olson**, Community Service Project; **Sam Pal-meter**, Community Service Project; **Josh Squires**, School-Based Enterprise Event; **Taryn Swayze**, Integrated Marketing Campaign; **Ellie Timmons**, Financial Literacy Promotion Project; **Kevin Vermilya**, School-Based Enterprise Event; **Jordan Williams**, Financial Literacy Promotion Project; and **Sadie Willingham**, Entrepreneurship Promotion Project.

To prepare for the 72nd annual International Career Development Conference, which will host more than 14,000 students, advisors and sponsors, the 16 Davison students will further refine their projects and practice for presentations.

“One of my favorite parts of high school was being a part of DECA, I have made unforgettable memories and have learned a lot of valuable lessons I will take into my future business career,” says chapter member **Jennifer Bloch**.

Auto Tech revving up for another DHS Auto Show

Auto Technology Teacher **Andy Michalik** is still working out the amount details but has secured scholarship prizes from Universal Technical Institute (UTI), the University of Northwestern Ohio, Lincoln College of Technology and the Michigan Institute of Technology for students who will be participating in the competition portion of the Sixth Annual Car Show on Friday, May 17.

The show begins at 5 p.m. and all classic car, rat rod and vintage vehicle owners are invited to come park and show off their rides. The public is invited to come view them! The show takes place behind Davison High School by the Auto Technology classroom. Awards will be presented for the car show.

There is no admission fee but car show entrants are welcome to make a donation to the Auto Technology program.

House of Cards heading to Cobo for World Robotics Competition

The House of Cards Team #3534 is heading to the Cobo Center in Detroit for the FIRST World Championship.

Fans are encouraged to attend and cheer on the team. The event is free and open to the public but spectators will need to register at the kiosk desk and get a badge in order to have access to the playing fields and pits.

The House of Cards will be competing on the Archimedes Field. The schedule includes practice matches tonight, qualification matches on Thursday and Friday and Sub-Division playoffs from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. A Round Robin tournament will be held from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Saturday and final matches will take place from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Ford Field.

To view the full schedule, visit: <https://www.firstchampionship.org/detroit>.

DHS Quiz Bowl team finishes season at state championship

The Davison High School Quiz Bowl finished its season at the state championship held April 12 and 13 at Michigan State University. It was the team's third trip in four years.

Unfortunately, the team placed 13th but the luck of the draw was against them as they were matched against top-five-ranked Grosse Pointe North in the first game, said DHS Teacher and Quiz Bowl Advisor **Mike Baysdell**.

Of particular note, Quiz Bowl Team Captain, **Brian Hall**, has been a starter on the team each of his four years at Davison High School. Great dedication to the team, Brian!



Members of the Davison High School Quiz Bowl Team.

School talent shows features students from Hahn, Davison High School

There is no lack of natural ability on the part of DCS students as was witnessed by those who attended recent school talent shows at Hahn Intermediate and Davison High School.



Hahn Talent Show winners Darby Crystal, Lucy Stevens and Michael Roof.

At Hahn Intermediate, winners of the Starry Night Talent Show were: first place, **Darby Crystal** as Miranda Sings; second place went to **Lucy Stevens** for her unicycle act and third place was awarded to **Michael Roof** for his yo-yo skit. Special thanks to the Hahn PTO and parent **Rebecca Stevens** for organizing the show.

The first place winner of the Davison High School Talent Show was **Holly Morang** for her piano performance of "Canon in D" arranged by Michael Silverman.

Second place went to **Madeline, Charles and Lucas Daunt** and **Kent Gieselman** for their performance of the Beatles "Paperback Writer" and third place went to another set of freshmen, **Tori Duckworth** and **Izabelle Moleski** for their performance of "I Don't Wanna Be You Anymore" by Billie Eilish.

Sixteen student and two faculty performances resulted in a great night that raised \$700 for DHS music and art programs. The show was organized by DHS Teacher **Rob Belprez**.

DTV students clean up at annual Michigan Interscholastic Press Association

DTV News walked away with 25 individual awards and two staff awards, including the highest award of the day,

the Spartan award, at this week's Michigan Interscholastic Press Association awards ceremony.

The award ceremony, held in Lansing, consisted of several categories for media in video, yearbook, newspaper, and digital. DTV has won 11 Spartan awards since 2006. In 2016 the broadcast class was inducted into the MIPA Student Media Hall of Fame, which is awarded for winning nine Spartan awards within 10 years.

Here is the list of the winners:

- Commercial—**Ryan Riopelle**, Honorable Mention
- Public Service Announcement—**Trevor Cherney**, Honorable Mention
- Health Public Service Announcement—**Seth Polmanteer**, Honorable Mention
- Animated Opener—**Chris Kazor** (2018 Graduate), 1st Place
- Live Sports or Event Coverage—**DTV Staff**, 3rd Place
- Newscast Anchor—**Rebekah Allen**, 2nd Place; **Emily Ferrante**, Honorable Mention
- Field Reporter—**Rebekah Allen**, 2nd Place
- Studio Talent—**Rebekah Allen**, 1st Place
- Live Sports Announcer—**Jon Gerke**, 3rd Place
- News Story/Package—**Emily Ferrante**, 2nd Place; **Rebekah Allen**, Honorable Mention
- Localized News Analysis—**Magdelene Rose**, 1st Place; **Emmanuel Clinton**, Honorable Mention
- Informative Feature—**Abbey Fulcher**, Honorable Mention; **Emmanuel Clinton**, Honorable Mention
- Personality Profile Feature—**Morgan Welch**, 2nd Place
- Human Interest Feature—**Rebekah Allen**, 1st Place; **Drew Ritter**, Honorable Mention
- Environmental, Health, or Science—**Morgan Welch**, 2nd Place; **Jillian Tate**, Honorable Mention
- Sports News Story/ Package—**Ryley Wilcox** and **Jordan Button**, 1st Place; **Ryley Wilcox**, 2nd Place
- Sports Feature Story/Package—**Ryley Wilcox**, Honorable Mention
- Diversity Coverage—**Magdelene Rose**, 2nd Place; **Bailey Kinnamon**, Honorable Mention

DMS Music Masters to perform at state choir festival next week

Good luck to the Davison Middle School Music Masters who will be performing at the state choir festival Monday, May 6 at Central Michigan University. The group includes: **Charlotte Binkley, Alyssa Dormire, Samantha Edgar, Catherine Fox, Rylee Fulgham, Kaitlyn Gibson, Savanna Giles, Emma Gilliam, Ruth Hall, Alee'cya Hoey, Olivia Irwin, Ashley Kircoff, Makala Lauinger, Brooklyn Lindsey, Emerson Martin, Trina Martinez, Makayla McArthur, Julianna McCulley, Ella Miller, Alexandria Nicholas, Laina Owen, Emma Polzin, Madyson Rho-tehamel, Leah Riley, Morgan Sammons, Calliandra Scura, Ranae Stewart, Clara Usealman and Brooklynn Wilcox.**

Vote for DMS student Ranae Stewart in her Celebration of Music bid

Davison Middle School eighth grade student **Ranae Stewart** is a contestant in the Celebration of Music Talent Search. Celebration of Music is a talent search that showcases the best young musical talent across America.

Ranae will be playing the piano.

“We got an email from the producers of the show,” said Ranae’s mother, Kristen Stewart. “We have no idea how they knew about Ranae’s piano talent and haven’t had a chance to ask them yet.”

Mrs. Stewart said the producers asked for a video of Ranae playing a song and provided a list of questions to be answered.

Ranae’s bio will air on PBS between 8 and 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 26. On the May 4 show there will be only two winners; one that will win by votes and one that will be picked by the producers.



Ranae Stewart

Ranae has been playing by ear since she was 3. To vote for Ranae, go to <https://celebrationofmusic.com/ranae-stewart>. Only one vote per email address is allowed.

Alumni News

Nicholas Brandes (DHS class of 2016) graduated from Mott Community College in December 2018 with three associates degrees (Associate in Arts; Associate in Science; Associate in General Studies.) This month he was awarded first place in the Anna Bradley Writing Contest in the category of Research/Critical Essay earning him a \$100 check along with a nice certificate. He is also being recognized by the Fine Arts & Social Sciences Division at Mott Community College in May as a recipient of the Political Science Award for his dedication and high standards in coursework. Nick is currently attending U of M - Flint pursuing a bachelor's degree in political science.

Tristram Shayna (DHS Class of 2018) is a member of the Saginaw Valley State University Concert Choir, which recently performed “The Food of Love,” a transformation of William Shakespeare’s texts into music.

Seth Cole (DHS Class of 2014) is a member of the Trine University Chamber Orchestra, which performed "A Salute to DC Comics in the Cinema" on April 14. Seth, who majors in mechanical engineering at Trine, plays violin.

Alma College has released the Dean's List for those students who achieved outstanding academic performance during the 2018 Fall Term and two Davison alums are on it. Congratulations to **Alexandra Dudock** (DHS Class of 2017) and **Merek Alam** (Class of 2016). Students who achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average during a term, while carrying a minimum of 13 credits, at least eight of which are evaluative grades, are named to the Dean's List.



V is for

VOLCANO

Students in Mrs. Sara Harris' preschool class at the Cardinal's Nest recently learned about the letter "V" by making volcanos with baking soda, vinegar and food coloring.



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

Elisha Nichols

Nominated by Christy Flowers,
Siple Elementary Principal

Elisha Nichols is a devoted paraprofessional at Siple Elementary. She takes her role as an interventionist very seriously. She works hard to help each little one grow and learn to the best of their ability. I have appreciated seeing her build strong bonds with not only the students in her groups, but all the children at Siple. She assists with the buses during morning drop-off. Whether it is hot, cold or freezing, sunny, raining or a blizzard, Elisha is outside every morning with a warm smile and a friendly hello to get her "littles" from one bus to another.



She notices when they are having a difficult day and takes the time to find out what is bothering them and tries to help make it better.

One day at Siple we had two different medical situations where she was the nearest adult to be able to help and she jumped right in to help them until the medical team could assist. She was a total pro. I always enjoy hearing her share funny things the children have told her that crack her up. Her appreciation for the children and respect for their needs touches my heart and makes a huge impact on the children. For this reason I proudly nominate Elisha Nichols for the Kids First Award!

