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BREAKFAST WITH THE STARS

April Breakfast with the Stars Award Recipients:

Presenter Recipient Ms. Marcella Donnell Nyland Wiborg Ms. Elizabeth Battaglia Erik Ellingson Ms. Bethany Herrera Stefanie Gutierrez Ms. Wilma VanArragon Frazier Harvey Ms. April Rydz Danielle Monzo Ms. Amanda Jacobs Matthew Sills Ms. Heather Kincaid Kristin Miller Mr. Ron Brown Michael Ajax and Brett Eichmann

May Breakfast with the Stars Award Recipients:

| <u>Presenter</u> | <u>Recipient</u> |
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| Mrs. Jeanine James | Christina Trujillo |
| Mrs. Jeanine James and | Eric Wagner |
| Ms. Erin Menig | |
| Mr. Gregg Mundt | Bryan Beth |
| Mrs. Amy Overton | Austin Dunn |
| Mr. Steve Pravica | Thomas Siuchninski |
| Ms. Becky Brown | Erin Beckers |
| Ms. Debby Scully | Jillian Brooks |

Nat'l Honor Society Finishes Strong!

This spring has continued to bring out service opportunities for members of National Honor Society. With proceeds from the doughnut competition, the allschool Variety Show and other fundraising events, NHS was able to spend \$2500 on 33 District 303 elementary students. The students were able to purchase new spring and summer clothes, shoes, socks and various other items at Kohl's Department Store in Charlestown Mall. Kohl's is always very welcoming, and this year they allowed us to set up a table for refreshments that were provided by our principal, Mrs. Kim Zupec. The parents enjoyed talking with Mrs. Zupec and Mrs. Audra Christenson as their children shopped with the NHS members.

The Wednesday Night Tutoring Program also started up again, under the supervision of Mr. Scott VonEssen. Members of NHS are available on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. to offer tutoring services to those individuals who need extra help in their studies.

All NHS members are required to complete 20 hours of community service. This year, over 90% of our members exceeded that total! There were several members that deserve special recognition because of their dedication to service. Kelly O'Dwyer had 90 hours of service, Madeline Paul had 91, Will Thompson had 111, and Jack Finucane was our top earner, with 190 hours for this school year.



FRENCH & SPANISH NAT'L HONOR SOCIETIES INITIATE NEW MEMBERS

On April 2, 2007 new members of both the French and Spanish National Honor Societies were initiated in a candlelight ceremony.

Seventeen students were inducted into the French National Honor Society (Société Honoraire de Français). The following students were recognized for their outstanding academic achievement: (French II) Katelyn Beer, Peter Cherry, Carly Dutkiewicz, Jessi Ennis, Emily Freiny, Sherry Hemmerich, Erin Murphy, Heather Stickney, Ali Thrun; (French III) Emma Baar, Ashley Barthel, Katie Fragoso, Brooke Jaeger, Stephanie Klein, Maureen Tobin; (French IV) Andrew Schmidt, Drew Schreiber.

Thirty four new members and 29 former members of Spanish National Honor Society were recognized for their distinguished academic achievement. In order to be inducted, students need to have at least 5 semesters of study, plus a majority of A grades. New members include: Ryan Adriatico, Taha Anwar, Eric Blowers, Marcie Blowers, Jeanie Chung, Nikki Coppola, Brandon Coulter, Cody Fricke, Michal Gawlik, Jeiran Ghasemi, Abigayle Gonzaga, Melissa González-Méndez, Brian Huckins, Veronica Iacobucci, Alexandra Karr, Renee Kawecki, Stephanie Klein, Lindsey Kutcher, Grant Livingston, Nicholas Manser, Anna McLean, Maya Menan, Claire O'Brien, Shannon O'Donoghue, Joe Sheets, Matt Schroeder, Madeline Shurtleff, Sara Skluzacek, Justin Snitka, Amanda Spies, Daniel Stanek, Elise Valdez, and Andrew Westfall.

Members who provided service hours in Spanish are: Allyson Adriatico, Natalie Albers, Samantha Auddino, Anna Bultema, Alison Conn, Josh Eassa, Ray Hsu, Sarah Korth, Brittany Lutsch, Teah Riggs, John Roggeman, Surbhi Sarang, Lauren Steidl, Lucy Ye, Bryan Beth, Micaela Braun, Austin Collingbourne, Patrick Eschenfeldt, Molly Fremgen, Stephanie Horton, Stephanie Johsson, Karley Kelley, Sarah McDonald, Kate Oscarson, Kelley Prieve, Stephanie Reed, Kaylee Rose, Katherine Staniak, and Meagan Wettengel.

After the ceremony, inductees and their families were invited to a reception.

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<u>Students Compete in State Marketing Competition - Three Advance to International</u> <u>Competition</u>

The Marketing and Management Club for high school students known as DECA had its annual State Competition on March 1-3, 2007 in Decatur, IL. Thirteen students represented St. Charles North High School in the competition. There were over 900 students from across the state that competed in various events. There are many different events in which the students can compete. St. Charles North students competed in the following areas:

<u>Hospitality Marketing Research Written Event</u>: Chris Hamel, Brody Rathman, Keith Kaplan, Scott Brooks, Maya Menon, and Jude Abangan

Retail Marketing Research Written Event: Kristin Miller

<u>Entreprenuership Business Plan Written Event</u>: Janelle Feltes, Amber Wesner

<u>Sports and Entertainment Marketing Individual Event</u>: Scott Brooks, Jude Abangan, Maya Menon

<u>Sports and Entertainment Marketing Management</u> Team: Zach McCullough and Grahm Facer <u>Apparel and Accessories</u>: Amber Wesner, Janelle Feltes

Hotel and Lodging: Kristin Miller

<u>Business Law and Ethics Management Team</u>: Keith Kaplan, Sarah Riehm, Elizabeth Anderson, Vincent Clarkson

The following students placed in the Top Three of their event and represented St. Charles North High School and the State of Illinois at the International Career Development Conference in Orlando, FL on April 27- May 2: Jude Abangan, Kristin Miller, and Scott Brooks

DECA is one of the premier business education clubs for high school students in the United States. There are over 160,000 members and approximately 15,000 competed at the International Career Development Conference.

BPA Participate in State Competition - Three Advance to Nationals

On March 1st thru 3rd the St. Charles North Chapter of the Business Professionals of America participated in their state competition. BPA students participate in business and technology related events, individually and in small groups. The goal of the competitive events program is to provide all students with the opportunity to demonstrate workplace skills learned through business education curricula. Students demonstrate occupational competencies, broaden knowledge, skills, and attitudes, expand leadership and human relation skills, demonstrate a competitive spirit; and receive recognition.

Eleven students advanced to the state competition from the BPA regional competition held in early December to represent St. Charles North at the Double Tree Hotel in Oak Park, Illinois: Adam Keen, Taylor DiOrio, Bhumi Patel, Katie Bakstad, Beau Baldwin, Dan Broecker, Jon Wagner, Jamie Kujawa, Phil Scherer, Stephanie Korinek and Jen Bourbon. Top ten honors went to Jon Wagner in the Integrated Office Applications competition, and Phil Scherer



earned the right to represent St. Charles North at the national BPA competition in Java Programming by finishing third in the state competition.

Phil Scherer and Jon Wagner attended the national competition in New York City May 9-13. Congratulations to Phil on his Top 10 Finish in the Java Programming competition.

BPA Students: (L to R) (Front Row) Taylor DiOrio, Katie Bakstad, Bhumi Patel, and Beau Baldwin. (Back Row) Dan Broecker, Stephanie Korinek, Jen Bourbon, Phil Scherer, Jon Wagner, and Jamie Kujawa

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FEA National Conference 2007

Students from St. Charles North FEA Chapter attended National Future Educators Association Conference in San Diego California. The members who attended were Becky Orr, Cory Skogfeldt, Joanna Besser and their advisor Mrs. Trayser.

Erin Gruwell, an inspirational teacher who the movie <u>Freedom Writers</u> is based after was the keynote speaker. The members all agreed that she was a powerful speaker. Her message inspired the girls to become the best teachers possible by being there for their students.

The girls grew closer and brought back great stories to share with their club. Through participating in various workshops the FEA members learned valuable teaching skills and techniques that will help in their future classrooms. Some of the workshops were about being prepared for a job interview, how to bring energy into the classroom, how to incorporate different teaching strategies for various learning styles and how to work with special needs children.

FEA Wild Rose Shadow Day

Members from St. Charles North's Future Educators Association Club shadowed elementary school teachers on Tuesday, April 10th at Wild Rose Elementary School. They spent the day watching teachers teach and helping them in their classrooms. The students had a chance to tour the building before school started, spent the morning with one teacher, and then spent the afternoon shadowing a different teacher.

Kaitlyn McCoy spent time with Mrs. Wilkinson, a second grade teacher, and Mrs. McKinsey, a third grade teacher. Steph Zima shadowed the nurse, Mrs. Virtue and the PE teacher, Mrs. Slettum. Steph said that "In my experience job shadowing at Wild Rose Elementary School, it was a blast!" Kristy Raasch got to be with Mrs. Thompson and the kindergarteners and also with Mrs. Clementz in the music room. Veronica lacobucci shadowed the Special Ed teachers, Mrs. Sartain and Mrs. Strobel, and also a second grade teacher, Mrs. Staroske. Veronica said that "Wild Rose Shadow day proved to me how much I wanted to be a teacher. Seeing those kids for just a few hours, and watching how quickly they react and learn is amazing! It really was an eye-opening experience that I will forever remember." Cory Skogfeldt made a big jump as she shadowed the fifth grade teacher, Mrs. Murphy and then in a kindergarten classroom with Mrs. Rosenquist.

This experience was both enjoyable and very beneficial to understanding the many roles that a teacher plays.



FEA National Conference participants: (L to R) (Front Row) Becky Orr, Erin Gruell, and Jo Besser. (Back Row) Cory Skogfeldt and Marge Trayser.

FEA Teacher Inspiration Banquet

Each year our FEA Club holds a Teacher Inspirational Banquet in honor of teachers that have inspired the club members though education. This event originated from former members hosting a "pot luck" and has since then grown to be an annual teacher banquet. The evening consists of more than just a simple dinner and desert, but rather a special night filled with speeches and tears. FEA members choose teachers from past years to honor by recognizing them through speeches which they have created themselves. Students may talk about why the teacher is so important to them and how they have influenced the member to become a teacher, while others might discuss funny things that have occurred in the particular class and why it is their favorite. After the speeches the teacher receives a certificate designed by the club and a rose. Either way, the teacher is recognized for their excellent talent and outstanding involvement in their teaching career, but more importantly, their crucial role in influencing the member to become a teacher. The money earned from the PDK Walk is used to buy food, flowers, and decorations for this event, while members donate side dishes and deserts.

The following teachers were recognized at the FEA Inspiration Banquet:

Speaker: Inspiration:

Becky Orr Mrs. Fasbender
Cory Skogfeldt Mrs. VanArragon
Becca Pappas Mr. Morgan
Kristy Raasch Mrs. Roberts

2007-08 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Spring Break 2008 dates were revised by the Board of Education on the recommendation of the District Calendar Committee on Monday, May 14th. The new dates for Spring Break are March 24-28, 2008.

Students with family commitments scheduled between March 31st and April 4th, 2008 (previous dates of Spring Break) will be allowed excused absences for this time period and will be allowed to make up all work.

A copy of the 2007-08 School Calendar can be accessed at the district website: www.d303.org under Calendars.

IMPORTANT DATES

(Sometimes dates/times change....check school website often)

| Aug 13 | - Senior Material Pick-Up Day | Sept 22 - Homecoming Dance |
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| Aug 14 | - Junior Material Pick-Up Day | Sept 26 - 411 Bell Schedule |
| Aug 15 | - Sophomore Material Pick-Up Day | Oct 3 - ETC Bell Schedule |
| Aug 16 | - Freshman Orientation with Material Pick-Up Day | Oct 5 - School Improvement Day - No School for Students |
| Aug 17 | - Late Registration with Material Pick-Up Day | Oct 8 - Columbus Day Holiday - Schools Closed |
| Aug 20 | - PTO Meeting, LRC, 7:00 PM | Oct 10 - 411 Bell Schedule |
| Aug 22 | - First Day of Classes 07-08 School Year | Oct 17 - ETC Bell Schedule |
| Aug 29 | - 411 Bell Schedule | Oct 24 - 411 Bell Schedule |
| Sept 3 | - Labor Day Holiday - Schools Closed | Oct 26 - End of 1st Quarter |
| Sept 5 | - ETC Bell Schedule | Oct 31 - ETC Bell Schedule |
| Sept 12 | - 411 Bell Schedule | Dec 21 thru Jan 4 - Winter Break |

Sept 12 - 411 Bell Schedule

Sept 14 - Teachers' Institute - No School for Students

Sept 19 - ETC Bell Schedule

Sept 21 - Homecoming Parade & Game

Mar 24 thru Mar 28 - Spring Break May 3 - Prom May 25 - Graduation - Class of 2008

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