

The Central Issue

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From the Principal's Desk:

Davenport High School/Central High School will celebrate its 100th year anniversary on June 19th, 2005 and plans are underway to make this a special occasion. In the fall of 2003 planning began for a community-wide centennial commemoration of Davenport High School/Central High School. The centennial date of June 19, 2005 was established to commemorate the community celebration that took place on that date, with the placing of the cornerstone for the new Davenport High School. A History subcommittee was formed to provide the necessary historical perspective for the celebration.

A primary goal of the history committee is to create a museum and special collections to permanently display the history of the DHS/CHS in a manner appropriate to the pride, spirit and heritage of the school and those who have traveled its halls. A secondary goal includes producing a Living History DVD with a historical timeline of key events. The History committee supported the efforts of the staff to create the Centennial Cookbook, a delightful look at Davenport Central over the years.

In addition to the celebration and the preservation of historical artifacts, a third major goal is to mark the historical site with permanent monument-style signage identifying the building. Central H.S. was a recent recipient of a Riverboat Development Grant that will allow us to move forward on the construction of these monuments. A long-range plan includes updating the landscaping on the campus and the addition of lighting to compliment the 12.3 million dollar renovations.

Davenport High School was one of only three high schools in Scott County for many years and consequently was truly an educational center. The high school included Medical Classes, Dental Clinic, a Teacher Training Program, as well as the traditional high school courses. The successes of the athletic programs, music program, and forensic program are legendary, together with the outstanding faculty who share their talents and wisdom with thousands of students. Then and now, Central High School is the high school of choice. Today, more than 120 students enrolled at Central High School live out of district.

The support and generosity of alumni classes and individuals, will allow the various Centennial projects to come to fruition. The Hall of Honor Foundation was established by Central High School to honor alumni who have distinguished themselves in their professional lives. Central H.S. is one of a few schools that honor alumni. The Hall of Honor Foundation awards five fifteen-hundred dollar scholarships annually to graduating seniors. Another scholarship, in the name of the Centennial, will be funded from the Centennial Commemoration proceeds.

(Centennial Cookbooks and apparel will be available during Parent Teacher Conferences on December 8th – in time for Holiday gift-giving)

Ms. Amy Campanile

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KEY CLUB NEWS

The Key Club has been off to a great start this year. During October, Key Club members participated in Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF. Collection boxes were placed throughout the school and the community for donation. Proceeds from two bake sales and trick-or-treating at the last home football game also contributed to the cause. Total money raised tallied up to be \$2300! Thank you to all who donated! This month, Key Club will be serving meals at the Salvation Army and the John Lewis Coffee Shop. They will also be volunteering at the Festival of Trees and will be holding a "Thanksgiving Night" at United Neighbors in Dav-enport. During the December 8th Parent -teacher conferences, Key Club will be holding a bake sale and providing free babysitting services. The bake sale will located at the "Oasis" and babysitting will be in room 251, just off the cafeteria. So bring along the children and your sweet tooth.

JROTC

Army JROTC is moving forward. Come join JROTC and reap the benefits of comrade and excitement. Some of the activities planned in JROTC this year are:

1. Drill team to Kansas City, MO
2. Parades (Veteran's and Halloween)
3. Raider team to Ottumwa and Cedar Rapids
4. Military Ball
5. QC JROTC Challenge at Rock Island H.S.
6. Many other events

CENTRAL GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

Although the season does not officially begin until February 2, off-season conditioning is already in full swing. The girls begin weightlifting and general conditioning drills the week after Thanksgiving. They meet at 3:00 in "The Dungeon" every Tuesday and Friday. Nine members of last year's team qualified for State, and they're looking for more teammates to join them this year! All girls interested in playing basketball should see Coach Trujillo in room 627 for information about joining the team. Girls currently playing basketball are encouraged to join the track & field team after basketball season.

YEARBOOKS

Reason #28 to Buy a Yearbook... More Full-Color Pages, Same Great Price.

The 2005 Yearbook is better than ever this year! In an effort to capture all of the 100 Year Celebration events, we have added pages to the 2005 Yearbook. This commitment to coverage means that the book will not be available until August, but it will offer exposure to events that have been not been included in past publications - such as Prom, Senior Picnic, and Graduation, as well as spring sports and dances. All of this, and a free CD-Rom! The price is \$50.00 for all books ordered before March 15th. Personalization can be added, this is available for a small fee. Order directly form www.jostens.com, or stop by the Yearbook table at conferences, or see Ms. McConnell in room 417.

Note: All pre-ordered yearbooks will include a free autograph insert that will be available just in time for Senior Picnic in May - those personal messages and memories can be captured before summer.

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Parent-Educator Connection

The Parent-Educator Connection will be presenting the "My Future...My Plan" Transition Workshop at Central High School on February 16, 2005 during Parent-Teacher conferences from 6:30 to 7:30. This workshop is provided for families with special needs students who will be transitioning from high school to work or post secondary education. Topics for the workshop include work, college and other post secondary options, housing and other personal supports.

Central Outdoor Enthusiasts

Attention Parents and Students: It's time to start planning for a summer adventure! Would you like to paddle the Mississippi in a kayak? Well, not the entire length of the river, but how about a day trip or an overnigher? Maybe you'd rather keep your feet dry and backpack in the Colorado Rockies. Trips are being planned now and I will hold an informational meeting in the auditorium on Wednesday, December 15th at 6:30 PM.

These trips are not just for students-why let them have all the fun? Parents, you're welcome to join the fun. There will be adults only kayaking trips and if there is enough interest in adult backpacking, I'm up for it! I look forward to seeing you at the meeting and if you have questions before we meet feel free to call or meet with me on conference night, December 8th.

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Chécy-Davenport Exchange

Our French exchange students and their teachers from Chécy have returned to their homes and schools after spending two wonderful weeks in our country. It was such a great exchange and we are so grateful to our Central and Sudlow families who opened up their hearts and homes, pitched in, invited kids everywhere and added so much dimension to this cultural exchange that we hope will continue after these short two years that it has been in place.

This past summer, 15 Central students traveled to Chécy, a beautiful town in the castle-rich Loire Valley to spend a week with the families there. It was wonderful to see some of the same faces when they arrived in Davenport for their two weeks here. We look forward to seeing all of them again in June of 2006 when we will take our students back to France.

Students who are taking French and will have finished their 3rd year of French are invited to apply for the 3-week trip which will begin shortly after graduation in June 2005. Students will spend a week in Paris, a week traveling in France, and a week staying with a French family. An informational meeting will take place in April of 2005. Please contact Susan Weir at Central or Molly Knutsen at Sudlow regarding this informational meeting.

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GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

REGISTRATION: THERE WILL BE A PARENT INFORMATION MEETING FOR ALL OF OUR NEW 2005-2006 9TH GRADE STUDENTS PLANNING ON ATTENDING CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, JANUARY 19th at 7:00 IN THE KAHLER AUDITORIUM.

OPEN ENROLLMENT: WE WILL HAVE THE OPEN ENROLLMENT INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE IN JANUARY. THE FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN BY THE LAST FRIDAY IN FEBRUARY(FEBRUARY 25th)TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER.

College and university admission representatives have appointments this winter to visit CHS. Check the bulletin boards outside the Guidance Office for dates and times. It is not too early for juniors to talk with these individuals about the respective schools.

The following scholarships have applications available in the Guidance Office:

SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Simon Youth Foundation

Dec. 1, 2004

SAE Engineering Scholarship

Dec. 1, 2004

National High School Oratorical

Dec. 3, 2004

University of Iowa Presidential

Dec. 10, 2004

Junior students planning to attend college should take the ACT and/or the SAT this winter. Registration applications for both tests are available in the Guidance Office.

TEST DATE

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

SAT I/SAT II Jan. 22, 2005

Dec. 29, 2004

ACT Feb. 12, 2005

Jan. 7, 2005

SAT I March 12, 2005

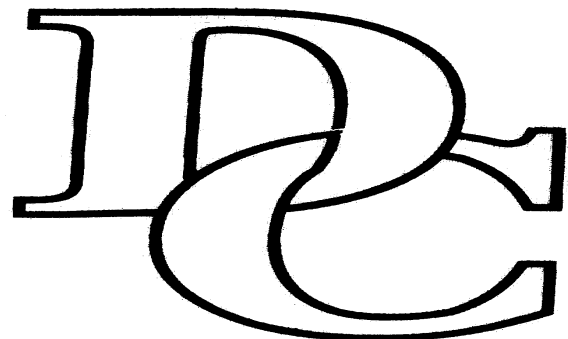
Feb. 7, 2005

ACT April 9, 2005

March 4, 2005

AFTER PROM

The North/Central After Prom Fundraising Committee is planning on hosting several "Trivia" nights. Proceeds will support the 2005 After Prom Party. Final details will be provided in future school newsletters/announcements and the Quad-City Times. Point of contact is Mary Ann Petruccelli, Telephone 386-3075



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Newspaper

Hallie Kilmer placed first in the Regional On-the-Spot News Writing competition. Andrew Steckel placed first in the Regional On-the Spot Sports Writing competition.

Renagh Oleary received honorable mention in the State On-the-Spot News Writing competition.

Journalism teacher Deb Buttleman Malcolm was named Iowa Journalism Teacher of the Year by the Iowa High School Press Association. She was elected vice president of special projects for the IHSPA this fall and presented sessions at both University of Iowa and Drake University. Students involved in presentations were: Ariel Arbisser, Darryl Deleon, Hallie Kilmer, Ramilli Rocha, and Andrew Steckel.

Sara Wagshal has just returned from Brazil through the journalism exchange project.

Jonathan Fritzen returned from Brazil Nov 21.

Students who competed at the National Competition in Atlanta November 18 –21 include: Ariel Arbisser, Jim Crossen, Andy Dotterer, Matheus Fenner, Jenna Frederick, Jonathan Fritzen, Alexandra Haake, Caroline Howell, Hallie Kilmer, Adam Kuda, Kara Leabhart, Erin McClusky, Andrew Steckel and Sara Wagshal . Arbisser, Crossen, Haake, Wagshal and the Brazilians joined Spanish teacher Nick Patterson and Buttleman Malcolm to present a multilingual publishing session. Buttleman Malcolm also

spoke at a two hour round table session as part of the Journalism Press Rights Commission.

The newspaper is planning a Special Centennial Edition. The cost to alumni wishing to run a business cards with their graduation year is \$20, proceeds will support the project. Larger ads are also being accepted. For more information call the school and ask for extension 215 (newspaper).

The International Club's service project is refugee relief. If you have furniture or household items in good condition you wish to donate, the first pick-up weekend will be December 18. Contact Ariel 340-6406 for an appointment or for more information.

Devil's Diary is Dedicated to Thinking

Outside the Box

This year, the Devil's Diary literary magazine staff has been hard at work developing a theme to help bring in fresh, interested student artists and writers for publication. Bohemian Undulations is a work in progress, looking to explore common high school experiences from an uncommon point of view. Define your eccentricities, abstractions, or rhythm of life. How can you change the world? Do you know if you are being yourself? Does freedom of thought imply absence of morals? Answer these questions, or ask one of your own. Submissions in written or artistic form are being taken in rooms 311 and 417. Donations, large or small, to support printing costs are also welcome.

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Central SECME, Inc.

The Central SECME, Inc. has started up for its third year of operation with a new curriculum and many new faces. For those of you who are not familiar with this program, it is a national program designed to encourage under-represented groups to pursue a career in Math, Science, Engineering and Technology and is the second largest educational program financed by NASA. It is also sponsored by National Semi-conductor, Lockheed – Martin, John Deere, Pioneer Hybrids, Dupont and Alcoa. We will again be participating the Engineering design, essay and poster contests that lead to the National Finals which will be held at North Carolina A&T in Greensboro, NC in July. The teams will be trying to repeat Central's national championship appearance of two years ago when they finished 9th.

In addition to these competitions. the SECME students will be competing in national contests in Robotics, learning how to build and repair computers, and working with tutors to help to improve their ACT scores.

Also, Central students will be competing for placement with the National Scholar and Pioneers in Education programs that can lead to college scholarships and internships at NASA and NMUSA (National Museum of the United States Army).

In addition to Mr. Thede and Ms. Capper, Ms. Marshall will be helping sponsor this program this year. We are very excited about the new program offerings and invite all students who are interested in careers in Science, Math and Engineering to contact one of the members or advisors to find out the meeting dates for the program that interests you.

DAVENPORT/CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CENTENNIAL ALUMNI MUSIC PROGRAM

DHS/CHS will celebrate its 100-year birthday during the 2004-2005 school year! Many special events are in the works. Initial plans are being made for an alumni music performance--band, orchestra, chorus--during the Centennial Celebration weekend, Saturday June 18 and Sunday June 19, 2005. The concert will be Sat. June 18. Rehearsal will be held during the day Saturday June 18, with the performance that evening.

If you would be interested in participating, please notify John Bernatz at 336-3820, bernatzj@davenportschools.org, or Jo Souder Vandecar, 323-5318, josivan@revealed.net. We will keep you posted on details as plans progress.

ATTENTION DCHS GRADUATES

Central's 100th Birthday is approaching! We are creating a museum to celebrate our 2005 Centennial. Help us make it look great! We are looking for memorabilia, stories, etc. for our permanent exhibit. If you are willing to help please contact:

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Davenport/Central Centennial Cookbook

The Centennial cookbook is in. It is full of delicious recipes, a little history, and a beautiful cover. The recipes are from alumni, staff, students, and friends of Davenport Central Davenport High School. Each cookbook cost \$15. They are available in the Central High School office and at the following locations: Greatest Grains, Riefe's, Border's, West Kimberly Market, and the Welcome Center. You may also have the cookbook will be mailed to you by sending in a check for \$18 to: Jill Akers, Davenport Central High School, 1120 Main Street, Davenport, IA 52803.

The Centennial cookbook will make a great Christmas gift, wedding or shower presents, birthday gifts, or any special occasion. Proceeds from the cookbook will be used to fund centennial celebration activities during the year, scholarships, and special school needs. Do not miss out!! Be sure and get your copy of the "Davenport/Central Centennial Cookbook" today!!!

If you missed the first printing of "What's Cooking at Davenport Central", a reprint is now available. It was first printed 7 years ago, and we are making them available again. The cost is \$10 or \$13 by mail. There are very few repeated recipes between the two cookbooks. What a bargain!!!!