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Spotlight on:

Institute of Business and Technology

Written by Sharon Oster, Coordinator



Several FBLA winners are pictured above (from left to right): Daniel Schoenberg, Christy Jones, Stefani Giannakaris, Matt Diller

Welcome aboard! We set sail in the summer and have continued through the fall, winter, and now spring. Our ship's log reads...

August-Set sail with enthusiasm!

September-Smooth sailing and recruiting for FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America).

October-Rallying for FBLA District Leadership Conference at Spartan Manor.

November-Gathering for the Great American Teach-in with John Van Dyke from Homeland Security and Greg Bast from NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) guest speakers.

December-Delivering Christmas gifts for children at Anclote Elementary School.

January-Attending Business Development Week.

February-Winning FBLA district competition trophies.

Congratulations to . . .

Multimedia: *1st Michelle Nolan & Christina Pilat*; Impromptu Speaking: *2nd Rachel Aponte*; FBLA Principles: *2nd Carmela Kazmier*; Public Speaking: *3rd Christy Jones*; Economics: *4th Matthew Diller*; Marketing: *4th Robyn Barnes*; Marketing: *5th Daniel Schoenberg*; Website Development: *4th Stefani Giannakaris, Sara Filar & John O'Halloran*

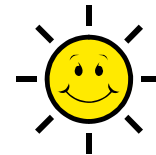
April-Setting sail for Florida FBLA State Leadership Conference in Orlando.

Good luck to . . . Michelle Nolan, Christina Pilat, Rachel Aponte, Carmela Kazmier, Matthew Diller, and Daniel Schoenberg.

Business Education course titles and curriculum descriptions are available on the IBT website. All courses are available to all students in every learning community.

Dates to Remember:

- 3/29/06-3rd Quarter Report Cards Distributed
- 3/20-3/30/06-Course Selection Cards Collected (Students register for classes for next school year)
- 4/5/06-Open House for Incoming 9th Graders
- 4/10-4/14/06-Spring Break
- 4/24-4/27/06-Senior Boards
- 4/28/06-4th Quarter Progress Reports Distributed
- 4/29/06-Junior/Senior Prom
- 5/19/06-Graduation
- 5/25/06-Last Day of School for 9th, 10, & 11th graders



Congratulations to the following students who placed in the top 10 in the district's Mixed Genre Writing Contest (Gulf High School had 7 of the 10 winners!): **Jessica Bennett, Seana Clifford, Cari Demarest, Christy Jones, Bailey Logan, Andrew Penick, and Iva Tchotchhev.**

Congratulations to the following students who placed in the top 10 in the district's Short Story writing contest (Gulf High School had 5 of the top 10 winners!): **Samantha Beckman, James Loop, Brianna Sawyer, Latie Schwenek, and Thanh Tran.**

GUIDANCE

Written by Kathy Trapp, Career Specialist

During the month of March, guidance has been busy with course registration for the 2006-2007 school year. Presentations about the course cards were given through 9th and 10th grade science classes and 11th grade American History classes. Students were then given time to discuss their course selections with their parents and teachers. Each student was able to sit down individually with his/her guidance counselor to review their selections and turn in the card.

The following activities /presentations will take place during April and May:

April 6- Reality Store for all 10th graders through World History

April 7- Senior Blitz at Pasco-Hernando Community College for interested seniors

April 18- Post Secondary Options Presentation by PHCC for grade 11

April 20- Post Secondary Options Presentation by USF for selected 11th graders

April 27- Post Secondary Options Fair for grades 11 and 12

April 28- Deadline for June SAT Test

May 1-12- Advanced Placement Exams given

May 4- Scholarship Night

May 5- Deadline for June ACT Test

May 12- Last day for seniors

May 19- Graduation

May 25- Last day for grades 9, 10, and 11



Students/parents are reminded to use the FACTS.org website to access transcripts, prepare for the SAT using testGear, explore colleges and careers, apply to colleges/financial aid.

Attention students/parents: Now is the time to set up an account on eSembler to look at grades/attendance in all classes. Go to gulfhigh.org and click on [Grades On Line](#).

INSTITUTE OF TECHNICAL SCIENCES

Written by Margaret Peek, ITS Coordinator

The results of the recent ITS faculty survey provided by Peggy Green, District School-to-Work Transition Coordinator, regarding workplace based activities for Institute of Technical Sciences staff are being used to assist classroom teachers in arranging for presenters from the business, industry and profes-

sional world to visit their classes. The data are also being used to develop workplace-based activities for students outside of the school setting.

In February a group of students attended the annual Engineering Expo presented by the departments of physics and engineering at the University

of South Florida. The Expo was held at the university's Tampa Campus. The Engineering Expo includes displays and activities appropriate for students interested in exploring opportunities in physics, engineering and the construction trades. A group of students from Ms. Peek's Physics I Hon-

ors class presented her with a Benjamin Franklin bobble head which they won by correctly answering a question concerning planetary motion at the Raytheon Corporation's booth.

INSTITUTE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Written by Carol Hlad, IHHS Coordinator



HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America) hosted a blood drive at Gulf High School on Feb. 17, 2006. Sixty people came out to donate blood to Florida Blood Services. Of these sixty, fifty-five

were Gulf High School students. HOSA members assisted by making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for donors, helping donors register, and sitting with them after donating while they were enjoying goodies donated by

Publix Supermarkets. Our next blood drive will be in April.

MEDIA CENTER

Written by Tina Wallace, Media Specialist

The media center held a public speaking contest on Friday, March 10, 2006 to determine which two students will represent Gulf High School at the Tropicana Speech Contest on Thursday, April 6, 2006. Congratulations to Bailey Logan and Christy Jones for their fantastic speeches. We would also like to thank the other participating students and our three judges: Tanya Fuss, De Winslow, and Jennifer Wood. As the school year is winding down, we would like to ask parents to remind their children to return their library

books. The due date for seniors will be Friday, April 21, 2006 and all other grades will be Friday, April 28, 2006. This will enable us to complete our inventory before the last day of school. Don't forget to check in closets, under beds, and in drawers for books that belong to our school. Also, remember to check out two important links on the Gulf High web site, *Links to Literacy* and *Media and Technology*. The *Links to Literacy* page recommends web sites that focus on strengthening FCAT skills and provides suggested read-

ing materials for students, as well as the summer reading lists for Honors, AP, PIB, and Dual Enrollment students. The *Media and Technology* page includes our library catalog, online databases, and links to the local public libraries. Passwords to use the online databases are available in the media center. We wish you a very happy spring and summer!

Who says kids don't read? Since the 2003-04 school year, our book circulation has increased ... here are the stats:

School Year	# of Books Checked out
2003-04	4137
2004-05	4931
2005-3/06	4778 and counting...

INSTITUTE OF COMMUNICATIONS AND THE ARTS

Written by Lisa Barrus, ICA Coordinator

The second semester of 2006 in the ARTS is a very busy time for our student artists. This semester alone there have been four important art shows in which our students have participated in and won awards. In January, senior Michelle Housel won an award in the Art of Recycling, a yearly contest open to all Pasco County high schools. The award title "Why recycle?" was chosen out of over 100+ entries. Michelle's sculpture was part chair and arms made from papier mâché and assorted recycled objects.

In February, sophomore Courtney Dattoli won second place in the Pasco County Fair student art show in Dade City for her drawing. Courtney enjoys drawing her pets and horses using pencil. Also in February, the Pasco County Arts Center on Moog Rd. sponsors the yearly student art show called ARTBEAT 2006. This show is also open to all Pasco County high school students. Awards were earned by senior Eleni Han who won 3rd place for her painting. Senior Iva Tchotchev also won Honorable Mention for her painting as well. Over 25 students participated in

this show. In March, the 9th Congressional Student Art Exhibition, which is sponsored by Congressman Mike Billirakis, was held at the Leepa-Ratner Museum in Tarpon Springs. Senior Morgan Reeves won an Award of Merit for her pencil drawing of horses. Also, freshman Jamielee Hyatt won an Award of Merit for her black and white photography. While most of the shows are finished for the semester, the last and final art show of the year will be at Gulf High school in the media center the first week of May. This



show allows all art students the honor of having their work displayed for faculty, staff, and students to see. Awards will be given in each of the mediums. Students may also enter the Art Annual 2006 art show, at the Pasco Fine Arts Center on Moog Rd. June 12-17. This show is open to all ages! Have a great summer and to our student ARTISTOS, keep on drawing!!!

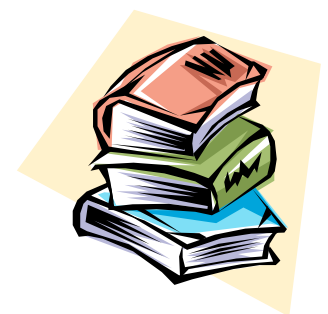
FOCUS ON LITERACY

Written by Jennifer Wood, Literacy Specialist

With summer quickly approaching the Gulf High School Lead Literacy Team will present a BEACH theme at the Open House for incoming freshmen on April 5th. **Books Enrich And Capture our Hearts** will be the focal point of promoting literacy

with students entering Gulf High School in the fall. We will provide summer reading lists, strategies to help in the classroom and writing tips to prepare students for a wonderful school year. We also have some ideas for parents to promote liter-

acy over the summer, too. Please make sure to stop by and visit our booth. We promise to supply literary goodies and reading tips. So when you are sitting on the BEACH, remember to grab a great book and READ!



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Programme: Dr. Deborah Lepley

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Earn college credit for high school career and technical courses and programs! Qualifying students may earn up to 6 college credits at Pasco Hernando Community College, 9 credits at The Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale and 19 1/4 quarter credits at Johnson and Wales University. For a complete summary of details visit:

www.careers.pasco.k12.fl.us/pages/tech_prep.html#articulation

See your counselor or career and technical education teacher to take advantage of the opportunity to save time and money in your college career.

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