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Senior Project Wraps Up

Written by Rossi Klompus, Senior Project Coordinator

Seniors here at Gulf High finished the Project portion of their yearlong program on March 2nd. They and their community mentors worked a minimum of 15 hours and many worked well beyond the minimum, to produce a product showing them reaching out to develop a new interest or stretching their talents to greater limits. Over 150 of our students worked long and hard balancing school, jobs, and family responsibilities to achieve these goals.

Projects this year ranged from topics in

tural foods to career shadowing. Our students explored the military, the law, education, and the arts. In April, our seniors will complete their Portfolios, which include a job resume, their original research papers, and many other documents required to continue this multi-faceted program. At the end of April, our graduates will present their oral presentations to a panel of judges comprised of community members and faculty. No doubt they will be as pleased as we are to watch our students show their mastery of talents and skills

they have acquired. Our sincerest thanks to those mentors who gave so generously of their time and talents and support to our seniors during the Project phase. In advance, our thanks to those judges who will give of their time and enthusiasm during those exciting afternoons when our seniors complete this final leg of this momentous journey! Last, but by no means least, continued thanks to Mr. Barrus, Mrs. Gedraitis & Mrs. Weller, Ms. Foote, Mrs. LaBarbara, Mrs. Laniewicz, Mrs. Miller & Ms. Sessa who have worked tirelessly

with our seniors, teaching and refining skills and encouraging them to meet deadlines throughout the year! To our seniors, we hope this monumental project will give them lasting memories, but especially we hope it will give them the skills to face future challenges with confidence knowing they can achieve goals they pursue!



Special thanks to the Winn Dixie store on Madison and SR 54 for donating 25 copies of the book Because of Winn Dixie to Gulf High's Intensive Reading program. Mrs. Starkey, an intensive reading teacher, was responsible for the request.

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IBT News

IBT students have been "out and about" connecting with the community and workplace. In January, students attended a luncheon and workshops for the West Pasco Chamber of Commerce Business Development Week. In February, FBLA members competed at District 11 Competition at F. W. Springstead High

Sharon Oster, Team Leader

School. February had a huge surprise. What have you got when you receive 25 new DELL computers and one color laser printer? A NEW LAB! Hurrah and thanks to all who made this possible. The students are excited and super enthusiastic. The Digital Design classes are "designing" their own mousepads

illustrating their individual creativity. Next they will complete a project to present through Powerpoint. The Junior Achievement program will be incorporated in the Accounting and Digital Design classes during 4th quarter. The Business Systems and Technology classes are working with electronic spreadsheets and data-

bases. Customer Assistance and Legal Aspects of Business classes will be completing a banking simulation called Security First Bank.



ICA News



The Institute of Communication and the Arts started off the 2005 semester with a menu of arts activities and performances. While March is Youth Art month, performances, exhibits, regional, and state competitions last all semester. Congratulations to Color Guard member, Courtney Con-

Lisa Barrus, Team Leader

roy and Band Member, Kyle Baker who received superior ratings at the annual Florida Bandmasters Association Solo & Ensemble Festival on February 11th. These students will be now performing at their State Evaluation at the end of the March in Jacksonville.

The Gulf High School Marching Buccaneers have been invited to participate in the Festival of States Parade in St. Petersburg on April 9. This is a televised event and the first time in 15 years that the band has been invited to perform. Congratulations to Total Sound who received a Superior rating in the annual

Solo and Ensemble Music Performance Assessment. They will now travel to Lakeland in May to be evaluated at the state level. Great Job!!! Students in art and photography classes have their work on display at the Pasco County Fine Arts Center on Moog Rd. in Holiday through March. This is the annual student art show, called "ArtBeat", which is open all high school students in Pasco County. Moreover, students also have work at "Artistic Discovery", sponsored by Congressmen Mike Billirakis's 5th Congressional District is on display at the Leepa

Rattner Museum in Tarpon Springs through April. We wish all students the Best of Luck!



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Marching Buccaneers

in the

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April 9, 2005

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ITS News

Margaret Peek, Team Leader

As we look to the conclusion of another academic year, the Institute of Technical Sciences would like to thank our Career and Academic Partners in Action (CAPA) from the business community: Mr. Doug Baker (Widell Industries), Mr. Jim Duffy (Widell Industries), Mr. Bruce Kennedy (Assistant Administrator, Pasco

County) and Mr. Bipin Parikh (Assistant Administrator, Pasco County). Our business partners provide an invaluable bridge between the academic world and the world of work, and generously lend their time, support and wisdom to our program. ITS looks forward to continuing our relationship with these representatives of the business community,

and considers them to be integral members of our learning community. In the future our CAPA partners will provide opportunities for teachers to observe the world of work firsthand and to become more aware of the skills and attitudes that the business and industry worlds expect from our students - their future employ-

ees. We plan to develop an annual panel presentation involving these partners that will deal with various aspects of successful employment and job performance.



IHHS News

Carol Hlad, Team Leader

The first blood drive of the new year sponsored by IHHS was held in January at GHS. Florida Blood Services presented Elaena Plumitallo, instructor, and her medical skills students with a trophy, recognizing Gulf High School as the leader in all of high schools in Pasco County for supporting blood dona-

tions. January's effort showed that GHS contributed 67 pints of blood from a total of 88 attempts. Thanks goes not only to Mrs. Plumitallo and her students, but to everyone--students, faculty and staff--for making this blood drive a success. The next blood drive will be on April 29th. We extend an invitation to eve-

ryone in the Gulf High School community to support this worthwhile effort. Coinciding with this event, IHHS will host its second Health Fair of the school year for the second semester Personal Fitness students. Students will be offered information and advice in nutrition, diet, exercise and other related

health matters.



Guidance/Career Resource Center News

Written by Kathy Trapp

The Guidance Staff has been working with current 9th, 10th, and 11th graders to fill out course registration cards for the 2005-06 school year. By the end of March, each student will have participated in a presentation on course selection through either Integrated Science, World History or American History. Counselors sit with each

student individually to review their selections prior to turning in the registration cards. By April 8, all cards for current students should be turned in to guidance. During the month of April, juniors will attend a presentation by Pasco Hernando Community College and St. Petersburg College. Juniors who meet the require-

ments to attend a state university will also attend a presentation by the University of South Florida. Juniors planning on attending a four year university should plan to take the ACT and SAT tests this school year. Also, any juniors working towards a Florida Bright Futures Scholarship should sign up for both tests. Applications are available in the Guidance Office and

Career Resource Center or students may register online at www.act.student.org or www.collegeboard.com. Current 9th, 10th, and 11th graders who are seeking scholarships for post-secondary education are encouraged to document their community service. Any hours completed should be turned in to Mrs. Trapp in the Career Resource Center.

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