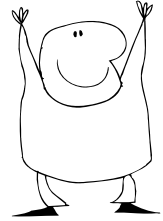


# GOOD NEWS



## From the West Irondequoit School District for May 2010

- IHS Senior Alexandra Levine earned the **Irondequoit Art Club Award** for her promising digital and traditional photography work. She received a monetary gift at the 52<sup>nd</sup> annual Irondequoit Art Club Spring Show in April at the Pauline Evans Branch Public Library, where she presented some of her photographs.
- Three IHS students earned a **National Mythology Exam Bronze Medallion** for a score between 90-95% on the National Latin Exam which tests information from general mythology, Heracles as hero of the year, a book of *The Odyssey* and *The Aeneid*. The IHS winners from Latin IV are Miles River Willow (90%) and Carys Coates Martin (92%). Megan Wurzer (92%) who is a Latin II student, challenged herself with independent study and won a Bronze also. Students in Latin IV/V class study the stories in Latin and then read in English from specified translations before the test. The purpose of the test is to motivate students to learn about classical mythology and literature.
- Head groundskeeper Terry Sorbo received a **Chapter 5 Appreciation Award** for his work on district grounds and fields. He was recognized at a luncheon at Woodcliff on May 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Jane Beamish, Teacher of the Deaf, received the **Robert F. Panera Award** given to an outstanding individual who has contributed time, energy, and creativity to the field of Deaf Education and in recognition of lifetime contributions to those in the field of Deaf and Hard of Hearing children in mainstream and inclusive settings by the Education and Support Service Personnel for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Mrs. Beamish received a plaque with her name signifying this achievement on April 30, 2010.
- For the ninth time, West Irondequoit has been recognized as one of the **Best Communities for Music Education in America**. Only 174 districts across the country offer programs that earn this honor.
- Two IHS students have been selected to work in the RIT paid summer internship program in the **College of Imaging Science**. Kevin King will be working in Remote Sensing with a professor who noticed his background in music. Ethan Guardalben was selected for Astronomical Imaging.
- IHS students exhibited their work at **ArtPeace Shakedown '10** at the Village Gate Square in May. The show celebrates and showcases the visual and performing talents of high school students in Monroe County and uses their talents to help support the Open Door Mission of Rochester through "Empty Bowls," a nationwide fundraiser.

Artists from IHS included:

Students of Ms. Scherer Reinert  
Traditional and Digital Photography

- Lily Brayer
- Andrea Semrau
- Sara Herbrand
- Katie Elkins
- Anne Ritz
- Daniel Buerkle
- Elaina Nou
- Renee Halloran
- Rob Dowd
- Paige Smith
- Amy Thompson
- Roemer Johannson
- Keighley Farrell
- Emma Oakes
- Hannah Botticelli
- Lillian Sliowski
- Sara Martin
- Emma Franchi
- Hanna Miller
- Summer Gentner
- Jazmine Santiago
- Emily Thalmayer
- Garrett Warren

Students of Mrs. Jacobs

Sculpture

- Samantha MacDonald
- Kelly Owen

Students of Ms. McCallum

Drawing & Painting

- Denise Thompson
- Stephanie Lavere
- Maria Currie
- Matt Kane
- Kali Elahi
- Katie Boe
- Phoebe Hewson
- Alsyssa Mosely
- Brooke Earl
- Sammie papp
- Amanda Russi
- Kayla Ellenwood
- Emmy Thomas
- Sarah Dzielski
- Emma Franchi
- Griffin Jones
- Keighley Farrell
- Kelsey Odorczyk

Students of Mr. Conner

Digital Photography

- Erica Santiago
- Lauren Roy
- Isiah Claudio
- Ashley Romano
- Demetrius Woods
- Heather Bennett
- Francisco Rivera

- Dake Junior High School Principal Terranova received the **Supervision Leader Award from the Genesee Valley Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development** at their annual awards ceremony in May. The criteria for this award are “leading and implementing change, providing training, and fostering staff experimentation and risk taking; establishing high standards for supervision; and exhibiting knowledge of important trends and research in supervision and instruction.”
- Three Irondequoit High School Business students earned the title of **International Finalists** at the DECA International Career Development Conference (ICDC) in April. Senior Barb Bianchi and Juniors Taylor Diem and Michael Yanus travelled to Louisville, KY to compete in a variety of events they qualified for through regional and state competitions.

Micheal Yanus’ event required him to “run” a computer simulation program of a sports organization. All decisions to run a sports franchise, included staffing, pricing, promotion, media planning, location, financial analysis, etc. were required to be made and managed over a 15 minute window against other finalists (<http://vbc.knowledgematters.com/vbc/sports/>) These finalists competed on-line during a period of eight weeks to make it to this level. Yanus competed and ended up finishing in 6<sup>th</sup> place.

Taylor Diem competed in the Retail Merchandising and Barb Bianchi in the Business Services Marketing event. Both students finished in the top 20 in their respective events. Each event starts out the year with over 5,000 students in it,

but only approximately 250 students even qualify to make it to ICDC. Therefore, top 20 medalist positions for Diem and Bianchi are impressive.

- IHS senior Barbara Bianchi received a **Student Scholarship Award from the Irondequoit Chamber of Commerce** for her achievements in business classes at IHS. She was honored at a luncheon at the Rochester Yacht Club.
- At the West Irondequoit Teachers' Association (WITA) annual spring banquet on May 18, the following members will be honored for **Excellence in Education**:

Nancy Barnett-Jones	Sandy Glidden	Lisa Poinan
Anna Bayerl	Gina Grisdale	Dan Reardon
Dotti Davis	Kathy McKee	Joanne Trybulski
Kate DeVoldre	Cindy Mura	Dennis White
Michelle Duckworth		

Bev Engel will receive the **Sandy Baxter Award for Service to WITA**.

- IHS technology teacher Steve Mascari will be inducted into the **Eastridge High School Hall of Fame** on May 25th. The Hall of Fame honors outstanding alumni for their professional achievements and community involvement.

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