

# SWWC Yesterday, Today And Tomorrow

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## GENE BUTMAN FORD DONATES VEHICLE TO AUTO TECH

By Dan Caroen

In the Spring of 2019, the Auto program received its first donated automobile this year. The donation is a 2013 Ford Focus with a 2.0 liter engine. The car was donated by Ford Motor Company through Gene Butman Ford of Ypsilanti. Several people were responsible for the donation of the Focus, including Tom Butman, Mark Shepherd and Adam Pinkerton. They tracked down this car and brought it all the way from California to



Tom Butman, Brayden Becker, Dan Caroen, Cade Gillless, Tom Holt, Tim Timoszyk and Mark Shepherd.

provide students with another car to work on and learn automotive skills that they can apply in their personal lives as well, as a career.

Something special that this car has is variable cam timing, allowing it to adjust for different rpm ranges to provide both fuel economy and horsepower. Also being that it is a newer car, it gives students the opportunity to become more familiar with newer cars and the new technology that comes with them. On behalf of the Auto Technology program we would like to thank Gene Butman Ford for their generous donation!

## AG STUDENTS EDUCATE OTHERS AT PROJECT RED!

By Kaitlyn Higgins & Amanda Jedele

This spring was very successful for the SWWC Future Farmers of America. They participate in the annual Project Red at the Washtenaw County Fairgrounds, Region II Leadership Camp, had their greenhouse sale in the greenhouse behind the Saline High School, held their 82nd annual FFA awards banquet, taught the first year members (Greenhands) how to drive a tractor and get certified on one, and went to the Culver's of Belleville to plant flowers around the building.

Project Red is an event in April where 4-H chapters from around the area and SWWC/Saline FFA members gather at the fairgrounds and teach 3rd graders from around the county about agriculture. The kids reactions to everything is always so amazing and wonderful for the students to see. It's an important thing to be taught as well because some 3rd graders even thought that a cow, was a llama.

Another event that happened in April was the Region II Leadership Camp where the chapter's seven main chapter officers went to the Kimball Camp to learn about being a good and effective officer. The students that attended this camp were Amanda Jedele (Student Advisor), Kaitlyn Higgins (President), Sydney Masters (Vice President), Emily Finkbeiner (Secretary), Luke Gerlinger (Treasurer), Annie Rothfuss (Reporter), and Brendan Morris (Sentinel). At this event the Michigan Region II officer elections took place on the last day. SWWC is now home to two regional officers. Kaitlyn Higgins as Regional Vice president and Sydney Masters as Regional Secretary. The team received the Overall Camp Winner Award for winning the most events. Saline won the Chapter Display Contest, Opening Ceremonies, and Annie Rothfuss (10) won the Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest.



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## BUSY BUILDING TRADES

The Building Trades program is building again in the Saline Valley Farms subdivision. Tasked with turning this plot of land into a house in about a year and a half, students began the year in the basement. Learning how to stake out the area to be excavated, seeing the basement and walls being poured, it was on to the laying floor joists and getting the walls up!

It's now May and we are working very hard to get the house secured for the summer. We are finishing the windows, roof and Tyvek. Exterior doors will help keep the weather out and any furry friends. Next year we will be finishing the house with both interior and exterior work. Between siding, electrical, insulation, drywall and flooring it should be ready for sale!

## CIE BUDDING AUTHORS

Every teacher knows that March is Reading Month, but what the students from Mrs. Cammarata's Careers In Education class didn't realize, was that they would be adding to Reading Month. Students were tasked with writing a book for a younger population that could teach students about people—their similarities and differences, including describing Autism, Bullying, Social Anxiety, The 5 Senses, Loving Who You Are, Kindness and a host of other topics that students are faced with daily.

How you explain sensitive topics and illustrate a 30 page book are another matter. Students could use a variety of supplies and tools to produce their masterpiece. Some students self-illustrated their book, while others utilized available software, but the one thing they had in common was to make it meaningful and colorful.

When comparing books to say Dr. Seuss, it wasn't that his illustrations were highly detailed, they had to help tell the story. While thinking and creating in terms of Elementary students, simplifying the topic is necessary.

In addition, CIE students were asked to write Thank You notes to their placement teacher for Teacher Appreciation Week. They had to describe what they enjoyed learning and applying in the classroom. Placement teachers expressed how much they enjoyed the details that the students wrote about, and the ability to realize what is important to a Junior or Senior student.

All in all it has been a very successful year. Students completed CPR/First Aid training, experienced the 1 Room Schoolhouse and helped support a variety of students and their age-specific needs.



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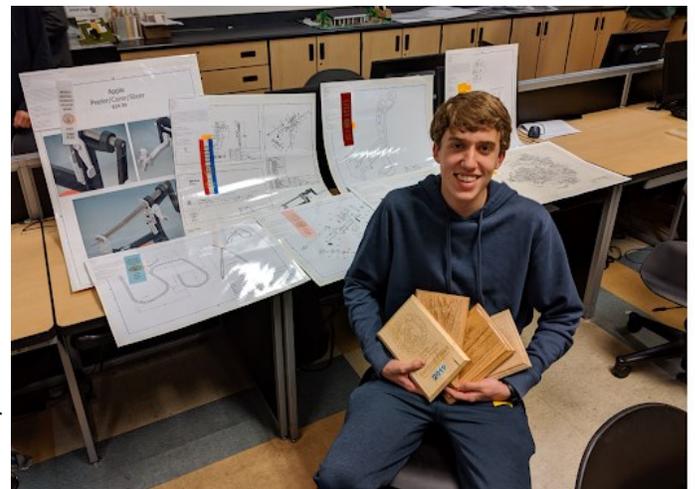


Samples of the books written by Careers In Education students.

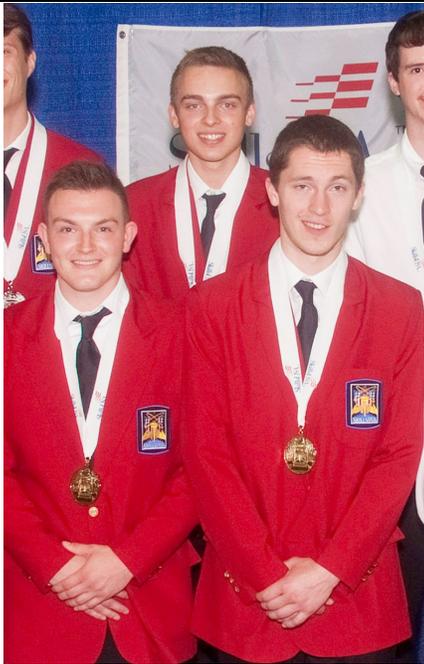
## CAD TAKES HOME SOME BLING!

Computer Aided Design (CAD) students competed in the 91st Michigan Industrial Technology Education Society (MITES) competition with entries in more than 25 different categories. MITES allows students of varying skill and experience levels to compete in areas such as photo-realistic renderings of CAD drawings, hand drawings, model houses, animations, and a host of others. The class entered a total of 111 projects which all qualified for states. Of the 111 projects, 56 projects placed in the Top 3, exceeding the previous record of 40! There were 16 individual State Champions, 22 Runner-ups, with 18 Third Place finishes.

Ryan Schwartz was the "Darling of MITES" who earned 4 plaques. Spencer Mitton, Jack Sundquist, Aidan Bunting and Lucas Snook each had very strong showings. Laurel Schmidt entered 3 projects and all 3 were considered State Champions! Chris Laycock won a Divisional Award for Architectural Animation. Sophomore Dania Ali entered three projects that all won plaques and a Divisional Award for Animation by a Freshman or Sophomore. Well done CAD students!



Ryan Schultz and his many plaques



Adam Rowland, Trent Trout and Jake Stein

### SWWC CIM STUDENTS NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!

For the last 5 years, the SWWC has represented the State of Michigan at the SkillsUSA National Championships in the Automated Manufacturing Technology competition. Jake Stein of Saline, Trenton Trout of Milan, and Adam Rowland of Milan earned the best finish yet by winning a national title and bringing home the gold! This competition consists of three students completing CAD drawings, using CAM software to create tool-paths, and operating a CNC machine to manufacture interlocking parts. Each student has their individual role in the team, but then they must come together to ensure that the parts fit together properly and that the prints are flawless.

These three students worked extremely hard, training all spring and coming in after graduation to prepare for this competition. There was a ton of pressure on them, as our teams finished 2nd and 3rd in the previous two years. They came through in fine fashion, and deserved to be crowned National Champions.

This Spring will see another team of three trying to maintain the *dynasty!* Aidan Bunting, Sam Zebrowski and Ryan Schwartz will be attending Nationals with Mr. Vasiloff in Louisville the last week of June trying to continue the quest for gold! Best of luck!

### C.S. STUDENTS CERTIFIED

Students from Dr. Steve Sartori's Computer Servicing class recently completed their industry standard certification of PC Pro, Network Pro and Security Pro. Over 20 certifications were earned! The testing took place over 1-1/2 hours, but the outcome was well worth it!

In addition, over 116 college credits were earned and articulated by these very successful students! Saving over \$100 per credit hour, not including lab/technology fees towards a student's post-secondary studies this is no small accomplishment.



Hard-working Computer Servicing students

### EXCEPTIONAL COSMETOLOGISTS!

Graduation at the Huron Valley Beauty Academy is one of the final steps to becoming a professional Cosmetologist! Students were introduced by Mrs. Kohl and each student received their certificate and a rose from Ms. Bell or Ms. Davis on Wednesday, May 22nd in the Commons of Saline High School. Hugs were given freely as the students walked across the floor while their name was being announced. Family and friends were there for photos, cheers and a few tears.

Also recognized were the students who competed in Skills USA, both on the regional and State level. There will be a National competitor, Olivia Tikker will be going to Louisville to compete in Senior Cosmetology.

While a video from the morning group played, asking students, "What will you miss the most about Cosmetology?" it came down to the people they had been surrounded by for the past two years—Mrs. Kohl, Ms. Bell, Ms. Davis and Ms. Sines and the students from Chelsea, Dexter, Lincoln, Manchester, Milan and Saline. The hours of preparation, techniques, skill development didn't make a difference without the people beside them.



Talented Cosmetology students

## CULINARY TAKES ON THE COMPETITORS!

By Gabriel Riaz

For the past year, students from Dexter, Manchester, Milan, Chelsea, Saline, and Lincoln have participated in SWWC's Culinary Arts program to learn how to work in a real kitchen, how to keep food safe, and how to serve customers in many different styles. The Culinary program is divided into three sections: baking, hot foods, and service, where each section chooses champions to compete in local, state, and national competitions.

In Baking, students learn how to make a range of desserts, and specific techniques to get the right texture, taste, and shape. This includes cake decorating, bread making, and meringues. Baking is all about making dessert look appetizing and beautiful, while also having great flavor, texture, and scent.

In Hot Foods, students learn knife skills and techniques for cooking meats and vegetables. As a chef, you must have a solid idea of what flavors and spices work well together, and what flavors and spices do not. Students must also learn to work quickly and efficiently, as speed is essential in the food industry.

In Food Service, students learn how to host, bus a table, and wait a table. To compete in Food Service, students must be able to memorize a menu, including specials and meal descriptions. When waiting tables, you must be able to fit your personality to your guests to maximize their experience. Students also learn different dining styles, from self-serve to family style.

The Culinary program is an enriching experience for any student with a desire to potentially work in the food industry, no matter which segment they would like to work in. The course also offers college credit, and students obtain their Servsafe certifications in food safety and allergens after two years in the program.

Chef Musto also completed his Certified Executive Chef certification the end of May! This exam took a total of 3 hours to complete and earn! Well done!

## GRAPH-X STUDENTS FINISH YEAR STRONG!

By: Zach Miller

Graph-X Academy runs like a well oiled machine! Students are constantly in contact with customers, discussing proposed designs, ordering stock and completing the process required for good customer service. Some students are more skilled in the design phase, but everyone gets involved with the production! Now that Seniors have left, juniors are working hard to maintain that excellent customer service. With only 5 juniors available, we are learning to be efficient silk-screen production crew members!

Along with finishing last-minute projects, cleaning the lab and preparation for next year, we also try to salvage as much material as possible. This would mean cleaning silk screens and storing ink. The Graphics I and II classes are also finishing their final exam, where they need to print a shirt so there are definitely a lot more screens on the press than usual.

Finally, it is the end for a community partner and employer, Thompson-Shore. They have been in Dexter for many years, and we are sad to see them close their doors! They have always been supportive of our program, employing our students and investing providing highly trained, knowledgeable Advisory Committee Members.

## HEALTH STUDENTS AT CRC

Health Science students have been very busy this Spring preparing for their clinicals at the Chelsea Retirement Center. Students are required to complete a 25 hour clinical, hands-on experience training with patients to prepare them for the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certification.

Students will complete a variety of tasks including personal care, taking vital signs, learning proper documentation and daily interaction/communication with patients.

Health Science students will also have the opportunity to complete a number of job shadow at the end of the year to give them a real-life experience on what it is like to work in a doctor's office, research lab, ER or labor/delivery. As challenging as it is to be in the medical professional, students shouldn't take it lightly!



Baking sensations



Cole Horvath completing a customer's order.



AM Health Students

## ORLANDO BOUND!

In early March, 31 SWWC DECA members traveled to Detroit for the week-end of fun and competition! Students had already qualified by taking their category specific on-line exam in December to earn the right to compete. Members were greeted at the RenCen for the Michigan DECA Career Development Conference. In the end, Gita Deshpande, Courtney Zmich, Kat Andrade, Jack Eberts and Caroline Krause earned 1st Place in their respective categories and qualified for the DECA International Conference in Orlando, Florida. Students who earned Finalist (2nd Place) medals included Henry Han, Aidan Keyes (Dexter), Lauryn Kruse, Zoe Rozine, Matt Thibeault and Tim Wageman. Hunter Bozzi and Andy Smole earned a medal for their high score on one of two role plays.

It is almost time for our Marketing II Seniors to say farewell and "leave the nest". They are putting their final touches on their new sports arenas and franchise. Students were given the task to create a sports stadium, deciding what sport, team colors, location of food and retail vendors, and advertising were determined. An entire list of items were to be included in the schematic when they presented these opportunities to "potential investors." including how many millions of dollars it would cost to fund the project. Armed with a team, mascot, colors, location of stadium, supporting data of prospective population/demographics, all items were included in a PowerPoint presentation. Some teams included samples/mock ups for illustrative purposes and included an explanation of why it would be beneficial to invest in this league and team expansion.

The EDGE has had a phenomenal year—especially in terms of cookie sales! We are selling current merchandise to make room for next year's selections and designs. The store closed the beginning of June to complete inventory and prepare for the merchandise sales. We wish all of our Seniors the best of luck in their future endeavors!

## VIDEO STUDENTS EARNS 2 SPARTANS!

Most Video Production programs would be happy to earn one Michigan interscholastic Press Association (MIPA) Spartan Award. MIPA is committed to promoting and recognizing excellence in scholastic journalism at all levels through their fall conference and spring competition. The SWWC Video Production classes won not one, but two Spartans this year—for SHS Today and Hornet Nation! The Video News Production class produces three weekly shows—SHS Today, Hornet Nation and Lincoln's Splitter View.

Mr. Bush and his Video Production classes have also been pushing the envelope this year! Starting with the live programming at #GetHired, the afternoon team decided that their final show would be rproduced in front of a live audience. On Friday, June 7th, classes at Saline High School were invited to attend the program, in an effort to show other students what it's like to be part of the crew in front and behind the scenes. Mr. Bush described the normal schedule of filming, introduced each member and proceeded to transfer operations to the team. With the main floor of the Performing Arts Center filled, the anchors and technicians had a realistic viewpoint of working in the field also!

What a great way to end a very productive and rewarding year!

## ADV. PHOTOGRAPHY SHOWCASE!

Students had the opportunity to showcase their photographs at the Carrigan Café in downtown Saline this winter. Students chose their best photos to mount, frame and display. The exhibit, which ran from December through the end of January, allowed the public to see their creativity and best practices.

Students also participated in the Saline High School Spring Art Show in May. Students from the entire class displayed their work. In fact some were lucky enough to sell their photographs to staff and Administration.

The final exam for all Advanced Photography and VIT students was to complete the Adobe Certificate Associate examination, an industry certification.



Left to Right: Jack Eberts, Matt Thibeault, Courtney Zmich, Caroline Krause and Gita Deshpande



Riding home with a Spartan!



L-R: Lindsey Richter, Rosie Kendall, Lindsay Barba, Maya Williams, Ashlyn Murphey

## VIT STUDENTS BUSY TO THE END!

Even though Visual Imaging Technology (VIT) is a year long class, students have been busy to the end of the school year. Finishing projects for graduation, which included printing 3,000 graduation programs for Saline High School, it seemed if equipment could be persnickety, it would. Mr. Rodriguez was working into the late hours trying to print and fold programs on Saturday evening for Saline High School's graduation. In addition, students are finalizing business cards, SWWC brochures, producing a coloring book for the Great Lakes Gassers Car Club, silk screening t-shirts for summer programs and a host of other projects that need to be out of the door by Friday, June 14th.

Mr. Rodriguez will be chaperoning three students to Skills USA—National Competition in Louisville, KY from June 24th through June 28th. Those students are Ashlyn Murphey, Photography, Jordan Martin, Graphic Communications and Hanah Allen, Screen Printing. Good luck to all!



## WELDING STUDENTS 1,2,3!

On Friday, March 8th, over 200 students competed at the Washtenaw Community College Invitational where SWWC Welding students showed off their hard work and skill. To begin, they received a paper blueprint and the metal needed to complete the task. Their job was to weld their metal to match the assigned blueprint. We are so proud of their performance! In Advanced SMAW Jason Milkey earned 3rd Place, Beginning SMAW Cameron O'Day earned a 1st Place finish while, Emily Marvin earned 2nd Place! In Beginning GTAW Wyatt Flynn earned 1st Place while Mason Pichla 2nd Place. In the Overall Welding competition Patrick Stanley earned 1st Place, Hayden Scott 2nd Place, and Robbie Fisher 3rd Place! Trifecta! This competition was originally scheduled in February, but with a snow day had to be rescheduled.

This was just one of many competitions that our SWWC Welders will be attending, including AWS, SkillsUSA, and Ferris State Invitational. Spring is a very busy season in the Welding Lab!



Welding Instructor, Paul McCullough with his very successful students!

## #GETHIRED AND SHS TODAY PARTNER

On April 24th, the SWWC helped sponsor #GETHIRED, where more than 38 local employers, skilled trade unions, colleges, universities, military and trade school representatives made themselves available to interview or speak with students regarding educational and employment opportunities. Students were asked to bring their resume, make contact with at least four individuals; two employers and two military, educational or professional trade representatives. After the different individuals signed their card, students could enter their name into a drawing for \$5 gift certificates to The Edge, with a total of six gift certificates up for grabs!

New this year was that the Video News Production class- SHS Today staff produced their first live performance from #GETHIRED. Reporters walked around the event and interviewed students, employers and administration, while the Anchors kept the program moving in the right direction.

SWWC students attended with their instructors, and had the ability to access the representatives from 7:50 until 11:30. As the event continues to grow, we try to expand it's impact to all of our SWWC students/partners. Next year we would like to provide a bus for our afternoon students to be able to attend the morning session and then continue in their studies at the SWWC!



Students fill the Media Center for #GetHired



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1st Row: Brad Stegemann, Dominic Dougherty

2nd Row: Jody Gielinski, Mary Visel and Tim Timoszyk

## STUDENT SIGNING DAY

With the constant discussion and press for secondary and post-secondary students signing athletic letters of intent, Jody Gielinski and the SWWC decided to begin our own Student Co-Op Signing event. Held after CTE Month activities in February, it was determined that since Brad Stegemann and Germain Honda have been a long-standing employer of Auto Technology II students and partners in the AYES program, we wanted to kick off the event recognizing their support.

Dominic Dougherty, Dexter Senior, employed with Germain, indicated his enrollment in the Auto II program has set his course for post-secondary learning and employment. Given the opportunity to learn under a Master Mechanic, earn competitive wages, and earn high school credit while perfecting his craft has been a win-win-win. Able to work a maximum of 24 hours weekly while school is in session, Co-Op students hone their skills quickly. Students are also able to order a entry-level Snap On tool box and tools with the financial assistance of their dealer, and after working for the dealership for two years, those tools will become their own. Of course, there is no harm in adding to the collection of tools, when wrenching is your passion!!

## STUDENT COUNCIL—TO INFINITY AND BEYOND!

When the Student Council Members arrive in September, their first introduction is to define who they are, what they like to do with their time, and what their favorite movie is—and why. When you look at all of the activities they are involved in, clubs, athletics, music, their definition of who they will become is endless! Whether they are providing guided tours of the SWWC to a vast array of 8th Graders, parents, 10th Grade students, community employers and partners, their potential is infinite.

This year six of our SWWC CTE Student Council Members were interviewed by a panel of Master's candidates completing research for WISD on Career & Technical Education, the benefits, skills attained and opportunities available to students. They presented themselves (and the SWWC) with grace and thoughtful answers! I am always so proud to be associated with these talented your people!



2018-2019 SWWC CTE Student Council members .

