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Pep Rally

By: Mirvat Chammout

On October 25th, Fordson pep rally. "The pep assembly acknowledge all of the fall coaches that help make high school on the courts, rooms," said Mr. Mosallam. The seniors appeared to be the loudest at cheering and the freshmen were first place in having the most spirit points. The event started with a basketball lightning and 3-point shot contest. Afterwards, the pie eating contest between the boys and girls was held. The event that created the most excitement was the tug-of-war between the teachers and the seniors. At the end of the day, the pep rally created a positive spirit of school pride in the students and the teachers.



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Athletic Accomplishments

Western Wayne Athletic Conference Medal Winners

On October 20th the Western Wayne Athletic Conference held its All-League Cross Country Meet at Nankin Mills. The Fordson boys and girls teams both finished in 4th place at the meet. Three individuals were honored with WWAC All League medals. From left to right are: Hashem Aljahmi, Israa Ali, and Allen Swaidan. Congratulations Tractor runners.



Congratulations to the varsity soccer team who finished the season with an overall record of 12-4-2. They finished in 2nd place in the WWAC at 7-1-1.



Fordson Football

By: Reem Aburukba

The Fordson football team had its second play-off game this past Saturday (November 7) against Cass Tech. The Technicians came into the game with a record of 8-2 and were highly favored to win. Our Tractors entered the game with a record of 6-4. The previous week's come from behind 20-16 victory allowed them to advance to the second round. At the time of printing, results from Saturday's game were unavailable.



Fordson Key Club

By: Fatima Rizvi

The Fordson Key Club is one branch of an international-level student led organization. This branch is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Dearborn—Outer Drive. Key Club is all about providing its members with opportunities to serve their community, build their character, and develop leadership skills. Throughout the year, Key Club participates in various student led projects and events, teaching Key Clubbers the true value of community service while having fun at the same time!

For one of their first service projects of the year, Key Clubbers collected donations and filled up UNICEF boxes during the month of October. Recently, Key Club helped out the AAUW with their annual book sale. Fordson Key Club has also been asked to extend their service in Costa Rica during spring break. We are waiting on a response to see if we will be granted this experience!

Any fundraising ideas are welcome!

Please be sure to visit Key Club's blog for the application and other important updates.

Meetings are going to be held every Thursday from 2:30-3pm in the cafeteria.

Fordson Key Club Members Continue to Aid Others

On October 24th Fordson Key Club members along with Ms. Zriek, Mr. Roger Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Scaramucci, and parent volunteers packaged weekend backpacks at Gleaners Food Bank for less fortunate elementary aged children in metro Detroit.

Besides volunteering for the weekend backpack program, Fordson Key Club students helped pack produce and assisted in properly storing these vegetables for delivery. The Fordson Key Club continues to take its school program and enhance the lives of others outside of the school walls.



Battle Against Hunger

By: Reem Aburukba

It's no secret that Fordson and Dearborn High are rivals. Both schools are the epitome of what a rivalry should be all about. However, recently, both schools decided to put this infamous rivalry towards a good cause. The Battle Against Hunger competition was issued to both schools by School Life and they were eager to compete. In the first annual Battle Against Hunger competition, a canned food drive to combat the hunger in our community, all proceeds went towards Gleaners Community Food Bank to help the less fortunate in our community. So, throughout the week of October 12, both schools had students at their entrances collecting donations from the students and also collecting at the highly anticipated Fordson vs. Dearborn football game. The first three days Fordson took the lead with 1,235 cans and Dearborn came in with a total of 560 cans. Thursday, Dearborn stepped it up with 2,347 cans and this time it was Fordson falling behind with 1,629 cans. On the last day of the competition, Fordson finished the school day with 7,332 cans and Dearborn finished their school day with 8,855 cans, but it wasn't over yet. At the Fordson vs. Dearborn football game, Fordson came out on top with 23,135 cans and Dearborn ended with 17,363 cans. Both schools combined efforts totaled 40,498 cans for Gleaners. In short, Fordson won the first annual Battle Against Hunger Food Drive and also won the game against Dearborn. Good job Tractors!



Student Spotlight By: Fatima Rizvi

Syed Rizvi is currently a senior and has excelled throughout his high school career, from acing all his classes to being an active philanthropist in the community. One of the things that make him especially unique is his awe-inspiring score on his ACT last year- a composite score of 33! Let's see what he has to say...

What are your favorite subjects?

"My favorite subjects are biology, math, and computer science."

What helped you to get 35 out of 36 in the science portion of the ACT?

"The science portion is all about implementing your logic and analyzing data, and I love that about science, so I guess I did well in it because I liked the subject."

Any suggestions on how to do well on timed testing like the SAT?

"Take 3-4 full practice ACT's at home, and you'll begin to feel comfortable about it. Once you're familiar with it, it'll be easy."

What is the best part of being a Fordson Tractor?

"The people, the environment, and the sense of pride, tradition, and legacy that Fordson is known for."

What are your future plans?

"I'm applying to Harvard, Stanford, and Ann Arbor. My default path is to become a doctor, start my own clinics, and help find cures for different cancers. I would also like to see myself as the CEO of a great company one day."

What is an essential principle to live by to achieve the goal of life?

"Work smarter, not harder. To live life like God wants us to, which means to live for truth and justice, and to support what's right no matter what. And we won't know what's right until we educate ourselves and increase our knowledge. Always strive to attain more and more knowledge!"



The Medical and Engineering Club

By: Nesreen Saad

Looking for a way to gain more knowledge and experience about successful job opportunities in your future? Then the Medical and Engineering Club is the thing for you. Many people are likely to go into the medical and engineering fields after high school. The problem is they don't know what they are going to face. The Medical and Engineering Club is an interactive way to learn more about what career more experience and a better understanding of what will be waiting for you in the future. You will be guided with what you want to go into, and to help you gain more experience and a better understanding of what will be waiting for you in the future. You will be guided with what club will also look great on your resume! Join the fun every second and last Wednesday of every month in room A129 from 2:20-3:00.



Fordson Club Of Political Science

By: Aya Beydoun

The Fordson Club of Political Science (FCOPS) has done a lot in the past year. From campaigning with the Democratic Party, to starting a brand new community garden on Hartwell Street, this club has always been about creative and effective ways to make a positive change in the community, but this year they're taking things to a whole new level.

Ms. Memminger's ambitious club members decided this year they wanted to work on 4 projects: the urban garden, a partnership with Freedom House Detroit, creating a Student Union, and fundraising to build a school in Cambodia! The urban garden will continue as it did last year but expand its distribution to local soup kitchens and hopefully get more people in the community involved. As for the partnership with Freedom House, they are currently working out a way to start a clothing/blanket drive for the refugees who can't afford to stay warm this winter. This drive should begin around mid-late November so keep your eyes peeled for big donation boxes around the school. FCOPS is also beginning a fundraiser to help build a school in Cambodia. The war torn country has lost its educational system due to the killings of the well-educated, including teachers, by the government itself in an attempt to control its citizens. As a result there are very few schools left. This year's members have set a goal of \$20,000 to raise over the course of this year. Ambitious? Yes. Impossible? Not if we all join in and help make a difference. One last thing, the driven members of FCOPS have begun to attempt is to create a Student Union throughout the district in hopes that our voices can be heard and we are allowed to speak about what we feel isn't working for the Dearborn Public Schools. This political science club isn't centered on learning politics; it's about taking a stand, and working hands-on to improve the lives of everyone in and outside of our community.

Clearly, the Fordson Club of Political Science has a lot going on this year, and your help would be greatly appreciated. If you feel passionate about any of these projects, or if you have ideas of your own you'd like to suggest to the club, please join them every Wednesday at 2:25 in Ms. Memminger's room, A-104.

By: Mohamed Ahmed



There are many amazing restaurants here in the city of Dearborn. From fast food chains to exquisite dine-ins, Dearborn has a myriad of treasures to offer. What's even more interesting is that many of these restaurants have Fordson roots or are positively involved with

Fordson High School. This is definitely true with one local restaurant in particular: Famous Hamburger. I had the privilege to speak with the managing partner of Famous Hamburger, Mohammed Hider, and he was gracious enough to give a little of his time in order to give an interview. Here is what he had to say:

How would you describe Famous Hamburger to someone who has never been to it?

Famous Hamburger is an all American burger joint that offers a 100% Halal menu. We offer a full service experience to our customers. 100% fresh, never frozen, meat & poultry are delivered from local sources daily. All of our produce is locally sourced as well and prepped in-house daily. Famous Hamburger started in 1970 in Beirut, Lebanon and has grown to 3 locations. Famous Hamburger is growing the brand name and is actively

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How would you describe the relationship Famous Hamburger has with Fordson High School and with the community in general?

Famous Hamburger and FHS have been neighbors and partners since day one! Many of our team members attend FHS. Students and faculty of FHS support our restaurants on a daily basis. We like to also give back to FHS by advertising with the yearbook as well as their sport teams.

What is the most interesting thing that has ever occurred at the restaurant and why?

The best memory is of a long time regular customer of ours who proposed marriage in the middle of a Friday night dinner rush. This couple has been coming in since day one and the man decided to propose to his fiancée while having the greatest burger ever! That's one memory that we will never forget!

Make sure to visit Famous Hamburger or follow them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram (@FamousHamburger)! Their locations/times/information can be found on their website: www.famoushamburger.com

Teacher Spotlight – Ms. Gansenhuber

By: Nesreen Saad

This month's teacher spotlight is Art teacher here at Fordson. This is her first teaching at art camps and museums for alternative to expressing one's feelings very good at what she does; she is also always need it. Her favorite school subject other reading and writing. Many of her hobbies Ms. Gansenhuber also likes spending time She states that being at Fordson makes her staff and the students here at Fordson. Mrs. Gansenburg also mentioned, "I feel lucky to be here; I feel like I won the lottery".



Ms. Gansenhuber. Ms. Gansenhuber is a 2-D year teaching at Fordson, but she has been about 3 years. She loves art because it's an bally. Mrs. Gansenhuber is very friendly and there to offer help to any student that may than art is English, this is because she likes include drawing, cooking, and even sewing. with her family and her hairless cat, Slayer. feel very lucky and that she really likes the

DID YOU KNOW?

By: Israa Ali

- Michelangelo hated painting - in fact, he wrote a despairing poem about painting the Sistine Chapel.
- **The Statue Of Liberty was originally intended to go to Egypt.**
- The heart of a blue whale weighs about as much as a car.
- **If you put Saturn in (an insanely large) bathtub, it would float.**
- McDonald's fries are fried in oil that contains beef.
- **Months that begin on a Sunday always have a Friday the 13th.**





SPIRIT WEEK SCRAPBOOK

