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Seniors Shine at Cosmo Spotlight

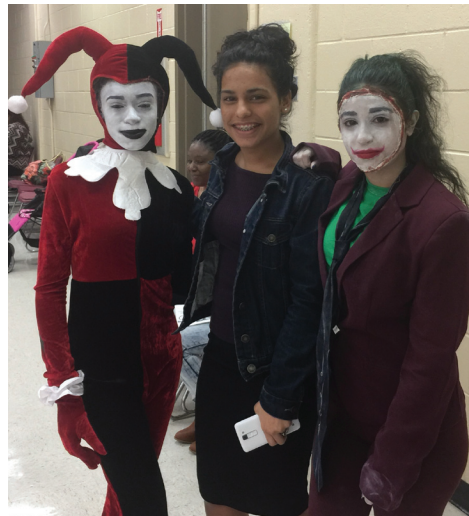
By Tom'Mishia O'neal

On Monday, December 19 The Cosmetology Academy hosted Senior Spotlight. This year the theme was Superhero, Villains, or Comic Characters. Ms. Rowell said the students [worked] diligently on their portfolio and performances. Senior Spotlight was a huge success, "It was a very fun experience," said Tiffany Perez, who was a model. The cosmetology teachers were very proud and some say this year was the best they've seen yet. "Seniors worried it would be hard to pull off, but Ashley and Kacey did a really good job with their presentations," stated Senior Mia Hunt. All of the

work in cosmetology has finally paid off as their skills have improved over time. "It was a lot of fun, but a lot of work too." said Senior Ashley Spivey, "I learned that you don't need to do things at the last minute."



From left to right - Emily Hagins, Analisa Minouge, Maurice Adams



From left to right - Junior Model Maqqelah Israel-Rice, Senior Kristal Brito and Junior Model Estefany Agosto-Aponte

Moon Over the Market Culinary Competition

By Reginald Toliver

Water that doesn't heat, gas that can't be used, broken hood vents and less than satisfactory conditions wasn't enough to stop the culinary students at FHP from performing with excellence at the Moon Over the Market Duval County High School Culinary Competition on Thursday November 10. Soaring into first place was the "Bromance" duo, seniors Darian Mitchell and Quiron Burns, who served up a well-executed Pan Seared Herb Crusted Salmon with a Lemon Butter Sauce over Mushroom and Asparagus Risotto. Seniors Katie Novick and Jadelyn McGhee gracefully stole second place and were also named the people's choice, presenting a fresh from the market Ratatouille with a Cajun Risotto.

Along with these two teams, other Peterson competitors involved were Angel Byrd, Taylor Williams and J'elana Simmons with a wild Shrimp and Mango Salad and Rayna Watson, Taylor Kuntz and Carlissa Nelson with a Greek Salad with Grilled Watermelon. "It was so fun to stand back and watch these students as they used the culinary techniques they learned at Peterson.... To say [Schmidt] and I were beaming would be an understatement. Kudos to these hardworking kids" raved Susan Dougherty.



From left to right: Whole Foods Chef and Mentor Michelle, Quiron Burns, Ms. Dougherty, and Darian Mitchell

What's Inside



Eagle 411

Showcase AP Classes UNF Welcomes Early Childhood Academy

By Jose Rios

From low riders to antiques, come to Peterson's Automotive Showcase on Saturday, February 11 held rain or shine from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come see all kinds of cars or enter the showcase with your own vehicle with a \$25 registration fee.

In addition to a car show this day serves as a huge recruiting event for Peterson. So, mark your calendars.

2017 Infinite Scholars

By Bryan Smith

The 100 Black Men of Jacksonville, Inc. is holding the 2017 Infinite Scholars College Fair. The event will be held on January 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Jessie Ball DuPont Center. This will give students the opportunity to apply for scholarships. Students should bring high school transcripts. To pre-register, students will visit www.infinite-scholar.org for easy access to the fair.

For more information, visit 100BlackMenJax.org or email them at info@100blackmenjax.org.

Calendar

Compiled by Jordin Stickrad
January

This month's flower is the Snow-drop

1/31 - Earn Your Wings

February

This month's flower is the Violet

2/8 - Early dismissal

2/20 - No school

2/22 - Early dismissal

March

This month's flower is the Daffodil

3/8 - Early dismissal

3/16 - End of grading period

3/17 - Teacher planning day

3/20 - 3/24 - No school

April

This month's flower is the Sweet Pea

4/5 - Early dismissal

4/13 - Make up date for hurricane

4/14 & 4/28 - No school

By Angelica Vester

Advanced Placement classes are college prep classes that have the same standards as college courses. These classes are available so students can have better chance at excelling in college. Providing AP classes to students allows them to have the opportunity to understand the course load you will receive and how to properly manage it while attending college.

The AP Calculus teacher, Mr. Fowler said, "The derivative of success in an AP class is hard work." Advanced Placement classes allow the colleges you apply to realize that students are serious about college and that you can handle the pressure and requirements. Kelsey Geary, a junior taking five AP classes said, "As long as you put in the effort, you should be fine. If you don't, you won't." AP classes also give participants a better chance to qualify for scholarships. Mrs. White, the teacher for AP Psychology said, "Vocabulary is key."



Corrections for Talon Volume 5 Issue 1

By Mary Crosby

In the November edition of *The Talon*, a member of the Junior Class Officers was excluded from the Class Officers Elections story. Karion Kent serves as the Prom Chair for the Junior Class. We apologize for the inconvenience.

In the same edition, *The Talon* misidentified the Homecoming Prince, Princess, Duke, and Duchess. The Prince is Antwan Hall, Princess is Emily Hagins, Duke Desmonde Murkey, and Duchess Asia Sloan. We apologize for the inconvenience.

By Agape Curtis

During the fall Early Childhood Education (ECE) students were given the privilege of touring University of North Florida. UNF is a college located in Jacksonville that features an onsite learning center for young children. Miriam Kamau, a student in the program, explained that she and other ECE scholars explored the campus and were able to observe kids in the preschool facility. When asked what the center was like, she described it as "organized" and noted that the children there have a "routine" which they knew and could follow. She remarked that she enjoyed taking in the campus and also loved the food. ECE students were able to compare the UNF preschool to their own onsite learning center. Miriam reflects by stating, "[Our center should] incorporate more structure and try to get a routine together."

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Scholarships

By Dyonna Jackson

Imagine your senior year you're walking across the stage to get your diploma; your family is shouting your name then it hits you "HOW AM I GOING TO PAY FOR COLLEGE?" Well listen, you should start looking and applying for scholarship's the middle of your junior year if you are going to college.

Here are some scholarship's you should apply for: 1.) Bright Futures Scholars 2.) Coca Cola Scholars Foundations 3.) McDonalds Education Scholarships 4.) Dell Scholars Program 5.) Gates Millennium Scholars Program 6.) Hispanic Scholarships Fund 7.) Harvest of Hope Foundations 8.) Burger King Scholars Program 9.) Target Scholarships 10.) The Homer Fund. There are many more to be found, simply just go to google and search good scholarships.

For example here are some good websites to look on: <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/SSFAD/pdf/bfposter-shiftintogear.pdf>; <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/pdf/NeedBasedbrochure.pdf>; <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/SSFAD/factsheets/CDDV.htm>.

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Nest Notes

Valentine's Day Beginning? Peterson Journalism I Spy

By Bryan Smith

Valentine's Day is known for being the holiday, when people show love to their loved ones through flowers and chocolate. According to Statisticsbrain.com, 198 million roses are produced and the average consumer spends one hundred and sixteen dollars on gifts just for Valentine's Day. Also, the number of cards exchanged on Valentine's day is 180 million. But many people do not know when this day of romance started. There are legends that trace their origin to Valentine's Day. Most of these, however, go back to the days of the Roman Empire. One of them is about a man named St. Valentine. In it, he sent one of the first "valentines" to a young girl who went to see him in prison with the signature "From your Valentine." Another variation of this is that Valentine would marry young lovers in secret in spite of Emperor Claudius II's orders not to. When word got out about this, he was put to death and was recognized as a martyr. In these stories, all of them show Valentine's kind and caring nature which is still shown on Valentine's Day. Even though the history of Valentine's Day is still mysterious, no one can deny that it is the most romantic holiday of the year.

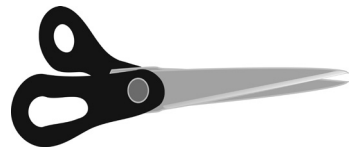


Peterson Fun Night

By Angelica Vester

Peterson Fun Night is back! Essentially, Peterson Fun Night is a fundraiser for the school newspaper to pay for printing while allowing Peterson students to enjoy themselves. It will be held at Adventure Landing at 4825 Blanding Blvd from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The remaining Peterson Fun Nights are scheduled for March 16, and May 18. Journalism students will be selling them during school for \$15. Mrs. Yazdiya will have tickets as well in F110.



Senior Receives Cosmo License

By Tom'Mishia O'neal and Noeliz Rivera

Congratulations to Peterson's new cosmetologist Senior Miriam Hernandez, who has been working very hard to make this possible, "I came to Peterson specifically for the cosmetology program to get my license. I want to work for a dermatologist or a high-end salon." Miriam took her state board exam on Friday, December 23.

Also, Frank H. Peterson was featured in an article called "High School Salon Offers Career-Ready Coursework-and Full Range of Services." This article featured Cosmetology Academy skills and how it has helped many students. The article was written by Tessa Duvall and published on December 28 in the Florida Times Union



Photo by Alan Palacios



Photo by Kayla Gardner



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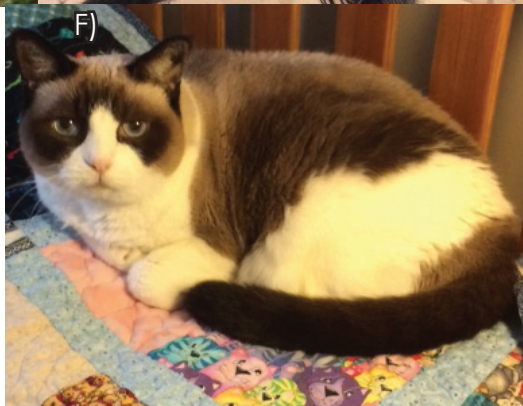
Talon Talk



A Real Teacher's Pet

By Ka'Mya McNair

Pets are a major part of people's lives. It's estimated that 70-80 million dogs and 74-96 million cats are owned in the United States. Approximately 37-47% of all households in the United States have a dog, and 30-37% have a cat. (Source: APPA) To that end, *The Talon* discovered that many of the faculty members are pet owners of many types of pets, not just dogs and cats! Can you match the pet to its correct owner? The following faculty members submitted pictures of their family pets: Ms. Abbott, Mrs. Boos, Ms. Lepper, Mr. Lichniak, Mr. Mantovani, Ms. Morgan Mr. Pope, Ms. Skipper, Mrs. Turpin, Mrs. Ward, and Ms. Yaros. **Answers on page 6**



Screaming Eagle



Thank you!

*The faculty and staff would like to thank parents
and students who donated gift cards for the holiday.*

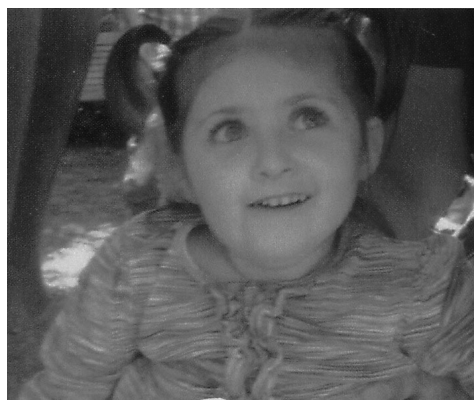


Peterson Pride

Spina Bifida Day of Beauty

By Tom'Mishia O'neal

What girl doesn't want to be treated like a princess? On Friday September 30, the Cosmetology and Culinary Academies hosted a Day of Beauty to Evangeline Kugler and her family. Evangeline suffers from a disease called Spina Bifida, which is a disorder involving incomplete developments of the brain, spinal cord and their protective coverings. Evangeline and her family were "beyond amazed, total professional from the time you go in till the time you leave," said Lisa Kugler, mother of Evangeline.



Evangeline Kugler

The cosmetologists performed facials, manicures, and hairstyles for the Kuglers. Also, some cosmetology students let Evangeline paint on their faces. To make the day complete, the Culinary Academy served a delicious lunch to Evangeline and her family; the Kuglers were absolutely blown away by the Cosmetology and Culinary Academies. This was a very great experience for Evangeline and her family as well as for the students..

SAT/ACT Study Tips

By Kayla Wilson

- Take online practice tests.
- Don't waste time on questions you don't know. Its better to review all the answers you did in the beginning and middle of the sections.
- Eliminate wrong answers.
- Avoid random guessing in multiple-choice sections.
- Read each question carefully.
- Use time wisely. Use extra time to review each question.



ECE student Matthew Anderson builds with little boy at UNF childcare center.

UNF Fieldtrip

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Ms. Lowe, the head of the Early Childhood Education Academy, was also interviewed. She explained that she and her students were able to see campus life and worked with 3-4 year-old children at the preschool. "[Its] good for my students to see the children involved in different activities all the time," Ms. Lowe commented. Also, she mentioned that her favorite part of the trip was seeing her students interact with the preschoolers. Ms. Lowe admitted that she learned much from her trip to UNF, such as the university's enrollment qualifications and the difference in fall and spring test scores. It's clear to see that the field trip turned out to be a rewarding experience.

Student Government Visits Downtown Jacksonville

By Reginald Toliver

Brief mannequin challenges, animatronics, contemporary art, and a tour city hall is a brief insight of the field trip taken by Student Government. Heading out at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 8 Student Government was in for a day full of fun and sights. The first stop of the day was Sally Corporation, a small peach colored building about five blocks from the Times Union Center where amusement park rides and animatronics are made. At Sally Corporation the group received a tour where they saw the making process of said animatronics and rides, while on the tour the group was also given a chance to play an in house game called "Scooby-Doo Ghostbusters: Mystery of the Scary Swamp", along with being shown the animatronics to rides that had not been released to the public, one of them being "Justice League: Battle for Metropolis", which is now open at Six Flags parks around the US.



In back left to right: Destiny Crooms Feihren Calhoun, Jada Rylaneler, Macy Marshall, Janasia Phillips, Madison Chin, Michelle Maddox, Anistasia Daniels, Zoie Grismore, Zachary Lance, Nevaeh Purvis

In front left to right: Mary Crosby and Reginald Tuliver

The next destination for the group was the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), an art museum next to the Main Public Library and across from Hemming Plaza that features changing exhibition galleries along with permanent works & a children's area. Though the visit to MOCA was brief it was filled with sights never seen by the public.

After taking a brief stop at the Jacksonville Landing for lunch and a brief mannequin challenge, the group set off for city hall where they were greeted and given a tour by Emily Liska who is with the Jacksonville historical society. The tour included a look inside of the council's chamber and the mayor's office, where the group filmed another mannequin challenge. After the tour and pressed for time the eager group rushed over to the Main Library to film one last mannequin challenge to wrap up their trip.

Answers to Teacher's Pets from page 4

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Academic Achievement

Automotive Academy Hosts Parent Night

By Angelica Vester

Parents are always concerned about what their child is learning in school. So, the automotive teachers, Mr. Karvonen and Mr. Jeffords hosted a Parent Night to demonstrate what goes on in an Automotive Academy class. The event took place on Monday November 14, 2016 from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. The night began in Mr. Jeffords' class, where parents were informed of the objectives of the class as well as the aspirations the automotive teachers hope to achieve. They were also enlightened of the changing curriculum in each class and how it will improve a students' learning experience. Once the parents were given the rundown of how classroom learning is, they walked throughout the Automotive Maintenance shop. Students were allowed to show what they have learned by fixing spark plugs and coils in a GMC Envoy. Everyone then went over to Mr. Karvonen's class, where he discussed the school project, the 91' Mustang. Students re-clear coated a panel in the paint booth while other buffed headlights for their demonstrations.

Overall, about 40 people showed up including both parents and students. With the support of Mr. Banks, Ms. Dixon, Mrs. Dyer, Mrs. Abbott, and Mr. Harris, Parent Night was a huge success. "A huge thank you to the auto cohort! The students had a blast working in front of their families and showing off their skills. We need to do more to keep the parents involved!!" With the positive reviews Parent Night received, we may see another event similar to this in the future. Mrs. Mastromatto exclaimed, "Great work to the Automotive Academy!"



Left to right: Larry Lance, Christopher Dunson

Duval's Top Teachers - Holly Hultgren Finalist

By Alan Palacios

Congratulations to Holly Hultgren! Not only did she advance to the top 15 Florida Blue Duval County Teachers of the Year, but she made it to the top five finalists in the county. Her dedication and discipline was visible to all. "All the way to state!"

encouraged Mrs. Mastromatto. Previously, Mrs. Hultgren was nominated by her peers at FHP. If she wins the county election, then she will compete at state for the Florida Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Mastromatto said, "This is a well-deserved honor!"



The Diamonds of Intimidation recently performed at Westview K-8's Transition into High School Ceremony. Left to right: Leiana Willis, Dominique Cadet, Jaelyn Gamble (Captain), De'Asiah Smith, Jade Freeney & Lynda Trindade

The High of a Lifetime

By Korey MacDonald

On Sunday, February 12th Marathon High students will join the anticipated 10,000 runners coming from 50 states and 20 countries to participate in The Donna Half Marathon. Marathon High takes place after school and Saturday mornings. It started October 17, with the half marathon.

Everyone started at a two mile run, and increases the distance, with everyone being at their own comfortable pace. This is a non-competitive program, so you do not have to be fast to participate. "I really signed up for the medal, but

I didn't want my senior year to be a blank slate", huffed senior Miriam Hernandez, while training one afternoon in Marathon High. "I really want that medal," she continued.

This year's theme is "Running Changes Everything" because, as said by the founder of Marathon High Deborah Dunham, "Running really does change everything for these teenagers. I have seen it happen every year." If you complete the run, you will earn a team shirt and a hoodie. You may also meet students from other high school, and make a new group of friends.

There are currently 29 students participating in Marathon High. The group of participating students are: Caitlin Baker, Shawn Clayton, Sarra Cooper, Angel Cosino, Miguel Cruz, Teliah Dennis, Davonte Duckett, Josh Frey, Jotem Garcia, Raymond Haynes, Miriam Hernandez, Kamilah Jernigan, Quintin Johnston, Matthew LaBar, Michelle Maddox, Jadelyn McGhee, Timothy McGowens, Carlissa Nelson, Bryanna Newton, Chase Smith, and Kyle Stites.



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