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NEWS AND GENERAL INTEREST

Belles Enter Competition Season with Strong Performances

Belles: HISD Dance Team Competition

Courtesy of Belles Coach Cyndi Denman.

The Belles officer team, honor corps, varsity and junior varsity teams competed in several events at the HISD Dance Team Competition on Saturday, Feb. 8, held at Lanier Middle School. The Belles competed against other HISD dance teams as well as teams from private schools. Several teams brought home the top award, Super Sweepstakes, as well as the awards listed below:



Belles proudly pose after their victory in the first HISD Dance Team Competition. Photo Courtesy of Cyndi Denman

OFFICERS:	SUPER SWEEPSTAKES
VARSITY:	SUPER SWEEPSTAKES, HIGH POINT KICK AND POM
JV:	SUPER SWEEPSTAKES, HIGH POINT KICK, POM, AND DROP
LARGE ENSEMBLE:	HONOR CORPS, 1 ST RUNNER UP
HIP HOP SMALL	4 TH RUNNER UP
ENSEMBLE:	
SOLOS:	
9 TH -10 TH DIVISION:	MATTISON SIMS, 3 RD RUNNER UP MAKAYLA MARCUM, 4 TH RUNNER UP
11 TH -12 TH DIVISION:	HANNAH KAY, 2 ND RUNNER UP SYDNEY DURAN, 4 TH RUNNER UP

Belles: Central Texas Dance Classic Competition

Courtesy of Belles Coach Cyndi Denman.

On Saturday, Feb. 15, the Belles competed in the Central Texas Dance Classic Competition and won several top honors. Junior Sydney Duran and senior Hannah Davis were named solo finalists. The officers, varsity and junior varsity teams again brought home the Super Sweepstakes awards as well as the other following awards:

OFFICERS, VARSITY, JUNIOR VARSITY: SUPER SWEEPSTAKES with JUDGES AWARD

OFFICER JAZZ: BEST IN CATEGORY

OFFICER CONTEMPORARY: BEST IN CATEGORY

JUNIOR VARSITY: RUNNER-UP POM

VARSITY: RUNNER UP KICK, RUNNER UP POM,

JV and OFFICERS: CHAMPION CIRCLE AWARD

HONOR CORPS: RUNNER UP MEDIUM ENSEMBLE

HIP HOP: 3RD PLACE MEDIUM ENSEMBLE



Belles proudly pose after their victory in the first HISD Dance Team Competition.

Photo Courtesy of Cyndi Denman

The Belles had a great contest season and want to thank everyone for their support.

Perfect Attendance Prize Drawing Winners

By Sabika Rehman

On Jan. 8, the PTO showed their appreciation for perfect attendance with an annual prize drawing.

Junior Qin Shao won a brand new iPad.

“I try to come to school not because I have to, but because I want to,” Shao said. “I feel lucky to be awarded for my perfect attendance, and I appreciate the drawings as they motivate students to come to school every day. I believe that perfect attendance is a basic step to be successful in the future.”



Students anxiously wait to receive their prizes for Perfect Attendance. Photo by Anna Ngo

The faculty awarded a variety of prizes. Junior Alexandra Kainer won an iPod shuffle.

“I was surprised,” Kainer said. “I see people winning prizes all the time, but I couldn’t have guessed that I would be one of them. I was very excited, and I really like to come to school. I get to see my friends and learn new things in class.”

A total of 32 students were rewarded prizes.

Listed below are the winners of iPod Shuffles, headphones, iTunes gift cards, and Starbucks’ gift cards:

Alan Reyes	Chris Buenaseda
Dominique Menefee	Hannah Lu
Max Lau	Samuel Linzan
Iceland Vu	Mason Johnson
Daniel Lasu	Ashley Ossimetha
Don Chai	Helen Lu
Jonathan Ventura	Grant Register
Cuong Hu	Billy Tu
Wen- Chien Chen	Miguel Rafael
Daniel Guo	Shayan Sabani
Angelina Ossemetha	Adam Corona
Annie Vu	Antony Yun
Elmer Lopez	Melanie Montiel
Alisha Beckford	Mariana Keymolen
Sophia Cen	Daniel Ramirez

Bellaire Varsity Swim Team Faces Lamar

By Cari Bonilla

On Jan. 16, the Bellaire Cardinal swim team faced its long-time rivals, the Lamar Redskins, at Roiling Waters Natatorium in a heated fight to the finish. Lamar started out ahead by 23 points on the girls and 19 points on the boys from diving. After many close and strenuous races, the girls finished first over the Skins 155 to 153, while the boys lost 145 to 160.

Varsity swim coach Kristin Wingenroth had high hopes for Thursday's meet despite the lead Lamar held at the beginning of the competition.

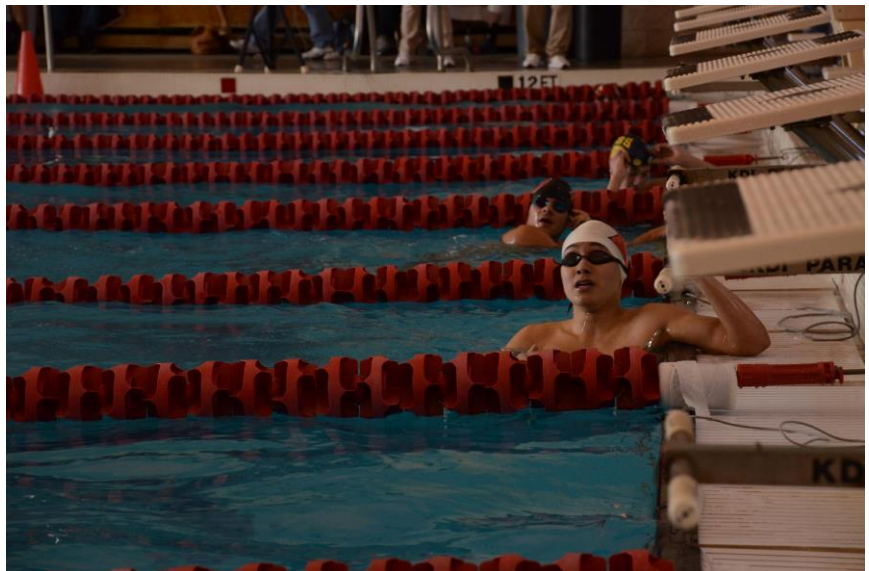
"I was very impressed we were able to make up the points," Wingenroth said. "Even though we didn't win on the boys, we had a lot of close races, and I'm satisfied with the moral victory in the swimming portion."

Since the tryouts in August, the Cardinals have been building a diverse and strong team with the new swimmers. Freshman Ines Frazier, who placed 2nd in the 50 yard Freestyle and in the 100 yard Breaststroke, saw a new side of teamwork.

"As a varsity freshman, you're seen as the underdog, so there's a lot of pressure to rise up to your potential," Frazier said. "Despite the loss of a few swimmers, I was so happy to see both the boys' and the girls' swim strongly and receive so much support from fellow teammates."

The Cardinals had not holistically defeated Lamar or won the District competition (which includes Westside and Chavez) in over a decade. Freshman Caitlin Connelly saw the team going far this year in hopes of winning the district championship.

"We are excited and ready to bring all we've got at districts," Connelly said. "I think we have a really good chance at winning it and sending a bunch of people to regionals."



The Varsity Swim team manages to stay ahead of their competition and look forward to their district meet.

Photo Courtesy of TiaraTanugraha

Wingenroth helped the team focus on the next step by keeping them grounded despite the win.

“I think we will see even faster swimming at districts,” Wingenroth said. “I think we will surprise the other teams with our performance, but we all have to remember that it’s going to be a totally different mix with Westside’s and Chavez’s swimmers there, too. It’ll be a fun and exciting meet.”

The district meet was held at the Roiling Waters Natatorium on Jan. 31.

Boys Varsity Soccer Team Sweep the Competition at Friendswood Tournament

By Leslie Cundiff

On, Jan. 11, the boy’s soccer team competed in the Friendswood Tournament against teams from various places in the Greater Houston Area and ended the weekend in third place after beating Angleton 3-0 and Humble 3-1 in a shootout. After claiming the bronze award, the team hopes to take this success to its district play, which consists of tough game after tough game.

Varsity captain, Senior Abe Wang discussed how he motivated himself throughout his four years of play and how being a captain affected his play and his team play.

“As goalie and captain, I have a different perspective of the game than most field players do,” Wang said. “I command my defense because I have a bigger view of the field, which comes as an advantage for me because I understand my team so well. Getting scored on haunts me, and this fear is



Boys Varsity Soccer Team bring home the bronze award after competing at the Friendswood Tournament.

Photo by Hannah Tang

my motivation to minimize my mistakes while I am in goal. My inspiration to lead comes from my team. As long as I don’t see them give up, I will not give up on them. Our team’s pushing through each game is a main strength that we have. Just last month, we placed third in the Friendswood Tournament after having to endure the penalty kick process at the end. The hardest

part was finding chemistry for our offense because we had some struggles with scoring. We have a good team full of talent and potential, so if our offense can click to its best ability once we are in season play, then we are looking forward to a really great season this year.”

Italian Students Receive Awards from Italian Consulate

By Tonya Chen

On Dec. 14 the Italian Consulate in Houston presented literary awards to 38 Bellaire students. The Italian students created projects on the theme “Famous Italian Innovators”. Project choices included writing a poem, creating a poster or writing a short story. The projects were then sent to be judged by the Italian Consulate in Houston.

Junior Brandon Tolentino won a special prize.

"I wrote a poem about Pellegrino Turri who invented the typewriter," Tolentino said. "I wrote the poem as if it was him sharing his ideas with his lover. Since she was blind, he wanted to invent the typewriter for her to be able to still send him letters. The contest was a lot of fun and I was enthused because I didn't think I would place at all."



Italian students proudly pose after being presented their awards at the Italian Consulate.

Photo by Ms. Borsa

The following students placed in the four award categories:

First prize native speakers: Sara Sdringola

First prize intermediate level: Elisa Ulloa and Jasmine Repreza

First prize beginners: Xochi Reyes, Hannah Henry

Special prizes: Lara Zupan, Alex Valentini, Angela Belman, Paola Lopez, Melina Quintanilla, Maria Bustos, Samantha Maldonado, Luz Rodriguez, Sara Wyatt, Amanda Pascali, Vilma Matzar, Kathryn Cornish, Dinna Pineda, Jenns Ngwyen, Cynthia Limones, Anna Palma, Cierra Loflin, Brandon Tolentino, Katherine Adame, Sydnee O'Neal, Ayllen Barrios, Zoe Muñoz, Sheila Tabac, Mariela Villela, Hallie Montalbo, Neva Cermola, Gladys Acosta, Clarissa Martinez, Chase Wells, Anthony Raul, Carolina Ramirez, Ryan Thompson, Sophia Casetta.

Spanish Students Participate in the Farrington Language Contest

By Ashley Liu

On Jan. 29, the Farrington Language Contest took place in Northwest Houston. The competition, hosted by the Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Languages, is specifically designed to evaluate high school students on their achievements in the Spanish language. Bellaire was represented by senior Sarah Khan and freshman Michelle Nguyen; both are enrolled in advanced Spanish courses at school.

“It was an interesting experience,” Khan said. “It was quite competitive, but my Spanish classes prepared me well. I think studying my notes and vocabulary have definitely helped.”

After one round of multiple tests, only five out of the twenty competitors were allowed to advance to the semifinal round, where a judge would interview the students in Spanish.

“I was pretty nervous before the oral round,” Khan said. “I felt the pressure to do well since I’ve already gotten past the first round.”

Despite Khan’s natural stress, she managed to win first place out of the entire competition. In addition, Nguyen also placed second in the finals round. Both claimed that hard work is the most effective method to becoming successful.

“I studied a lot in preparation,” Nguyen said. “But, I also learned so many things from this experience. It made me feel so much more confident about speaking in Spanish, and I’m more inclined to participate more in class now.”

Students Participate in the Second Annual District Science Fair

By Zean Liao

HISD held the Second Annual District Science Fair on Jan. 18, and Bellaire was well represented.

Freshman Kevin Wang took home 2nd place in the 9th/10th grade individual project category, while junior Kevin Wang won 1st place in the 11th/12th grade individual project category. Seniors Evan Shegog and Abe Wang won 1st place in the 11th/12th team project category.



Kevin Fang brought back one of the two trophies, a first and a second place, in this year’s annual District Science Fair.

Junior Kevin Wang commented on how he was able to balance his time in order to participate in the Science Fair.

"This year I worked really hard on my project," Wang said. "Most of the other competitors had pretty good projects, and it was a tough field. I was very proud and happy when I found out I won, because I had to manage my time really efficiently to put out a good product."

Wang described what this year's competition was like.

"This year is not really different," Wang said. "I've been in the science fair every year since elementary school. I had won first place in districts last year as well, so twice overall in the two years that districts has been held."

Senior Evan Shegog described how he felt after winning 1st place.

"I felt exhilarated when I found I had won 1st place," Shegog said. "I had made my parents very proud. All my work and accomplishments had led up to this achievement in the pinnacle of my existence."

Teachers and Students Take Part in the Chevron Houston Marathon and Aramco Half-Marathon

By Claire Weddle

On Jan. 18, counselor Alan Thompson, English teacher Katherine Thomas, senior Lee Lorenz and junior Richard Goldman competed in the Chevron Houston Marathon. Math teacher Daisy Anderson, Principal Michael McDonough, ESL teacher Andrea Sheridan, junior Mackenzie Ward and junior Sarabeth Sandweiss participated in the Houston Aramco half-marathon.

Preparing for the marathon or half-marathon can be mentally and physically challenging. Ward laughed as she described her training experience for the half-marathon and how she felt the day of the race.

"I didn't train at all," Ward said. "All I had done was run nine miles in November. I felt so unprepared. On the day of the race, I woke up late and really didn't want to go, but after running and seeing all those people that come out to support me, I didn't regret going at all."



Thomas celebrates during the Chevron Houston Marathon

Photo Courtesy of English teacher Kate Thomas

Ward and Sandweiss ran together. Sandweiss participated in last year's half-marathon and decided to make a tradition of doing it every year. The two girls stayed together during the entire course of the race.

"Nine months ago when I signed up, I thought that doing the half-marathon would be really fun. This was my second year doing it, so I knew what to expect. I wanted to do it with a friend, so it was nice to have Mackenzie running with me to talk to and to keep a good pace with," Sandweiss said.

Others took on the feat of running 26.2 miles. Goldman explained his motivation for running the marathon and how he trained.

"Last year after I ran 21 miles on my own, I realized that I could probably do the full marathon," Goldman said. "I wanted to challenge myself, and the marathon seemed like the ultimate challenge. I didn't really have a special training schedule. I ran six to ten miles every day with the cross country team, so I really got in shape from that."

Thomas participated in the marathon to see if she could complete the entire race.

"I started running a couple of years ago to get in shape, but then I had a baby," Thomas said. "I took a couple of years off, so I wanted to get back in shape. I got better than I was before at running, and I wanted to push myself to see if I could do the marathon. It wasn't as bad as I expected, and it was almost kind of fun."

Completing a half or full marathon is a great physical challenge, but staff members and students pulled through from the encouragement of peers, family members and the supporting public.

Students Win Big at Scholastic Writing Regional Competition

By Michelle Huang

Bellaire High School had two Regional Winners in this year's Scholastic Writing Contest, senior Evan Shegog and sophomore Liana Wang.

Shegog, who submitted a portfolio, is a Silver Key winner. His work included a series of seven poems; each one was about a specific sin. Shegog talked about his writing experience.

“I actually had the inspiration while reading Dante's Inferno in English,” Shegog said. “I’ve been writing since I was seven and had written the poems the past couple of years. Writing is a hobby for me which I hope to continue in the future.”

Wang submitted a piece in the Flash Fiction category. She received a Gold Key, and her writing will now be judged at the national level of competition. Wang gives us a little background on what her story was about.



Senior Evan Shegog (left) and sophomore Liana Wang brought back trophies at the Scholastic Regional Writing Contest.

Photos by Hannah Tang

“I think my piece takes a spin on how we view other people,” Wang said. “I chose to tackle a kind of touchy subject and wrote about 9/11 from an unusual point of view that's actual prevalent in American society. At the same time my story kind of circled around to talk about bullying and tolerance from the point of view of the person choosing to inflict violence upon others and throughout the whole beginning of the piece I'm trying to put you in the shoes of someone no one really sympathizes with (and often, shouldn't) in the whole bullying/tolerance tale.”

Wang originally found inspiration for this piece from a YouTube video and from a debate argument. The YouTube video showed a news channel with two actors, one pretending to be a Middle Eastern shop worker and the other, a racist white teenager. In the comments section below, there were many racist comments; as Wang added a comment herself pointing out logical fallacies of those who made racist remarks, many replied to her, telling her that she was wrong and personally attacking her.

With such personal investment in her piece, Wang voiced her feelings on advancing to the national round of competition.

“I'm afraid of being too expectant because at the high school level there are so many fantastic, mind-blowing writers and artists out there that are just unbelievable,” Wang said. “I suppose I'll just hope for the best, really. There's not much else to do.”

MFAH's Eye On Houston Exhibit Features Photography Students

By Allie Lefkowitz

A red and blue playground set sparkling in the sun. A boy, arms outstretched, knees bent, caught hovering in front of wispy white clouds. Suspended, right there above the ground. Floating. Defying gravity.

Entitled “Limitless”, this picture was taken by sophomore Maggie Dib and is in the Museum of Fine Arts Houston (MFAH)’s *Eye On Houston: High School Documentary Photography* exhibit. The annual exhibit (open from Jan. 11 to April 20) has been celebrating Houston’s diverse neighborhoods since 1995.

Originally dubbed the *Eye on Third Ward*, the exposition originally included works by students from Jack Yates High School. Over the years, two other high schools, Cesar E. Chavez and Bellaire, have joined in documenting the different perspectives of everyday life. Dib explained the story behind her own colorful creation.

“The picture was originally for a shoot called ‘Jump,’” Dib said. “Two of my friends were at the park, and one of them jumped off of a playground set. But, it’s really cool because I didn’t want him to jump, but it just happened. He jumped anyway, and I got it at the right second and I was so happy.”

Sophomore Erin Rice, who has taken three of the pictures now on display in the exhibit, said that her father got her started in photography. Now, photography is not only her passion but also her dream job, which is to become a photographic journalist.

“My favorite style is street,” Rice said. “It’s basically just documenting people. It’s cool to see how different everyone is in their everyday life.”

Both agree that practice, even if it’s just on random stuff around the house, is key. However, Dib shared another piece of photographic advice.

“Just go crazy with it,” Dib said. “It doesn’t have to be perfect, or have the right lightning or whatever—do whatever you like.”

“Take whatever pictures you want to take,” Rice agreed. “Someone out there is bound to like it.”



Junior Natalie Jares poses with her picture currently being showcased at MFAH’s Eye On Houston.

Photo by Hannah Tang

CLUB PROFILES

Academic Challenge Hosts Its Annual “Cardinal Clash”

By Laurence Zhang

On Feb. 5 and Feb. 6, Academic Challenge (AC) hosted the annual Cardinal Clash, a competition where teachers and students battled against one another in a fierce match of wits and knowledge. In an intense quiz bowl point style buzzer-round format, four teachers faced off against four students.

On the first day of the event, the teacher’s lineup featured debate coach Kyle Bean, science teacher Richard Moore, math teacher Edward Mazzone and history teacher Seth Mintz. The student team was composed of seniors Ridge Liu, Patrick Giradet, Colin Shi and Aman Narayan. Despite an impressive teacher performance from Bean, a Bellaire alumni who was part of the AC team when he was in high school, the student team defeated the teacher team.

The second day’s matchup included math teacher Daisy Anderson, debate coach Kyle Bean, math teacher Edward Mazzone, and history teacher Kathryn Nocca taking on three of the same student lineup as the first day’s competition, but with Narayan switched out with senior Jinchun Zou. The teachers put on a better showing than the previous day but were ultimately unable to beat the student team. The students won 2 – 0 and continued their historic dominance over the teachers.

Shi described his experience during the competition.



The Faculty struggles to keep up with the students at Bellaire’s Annual “Cardinal Clash”.

Photo by Daniela Fuentes

“There were a lot of students who came and watched us,” Shi said. “They were very enthusiastic and supportive, and that made everything a huge success.”

Chinese Club and Chinese Honor Society Host the Chinese Luncheon

By James Fang

On Feb. 7 during lunch, the Multipurpose Room (MPR) was alight with Chinese festivities and the smell of fried chicken and pork. The Chinese Luncheon, an annual event celebrating Chinese culture, is hosted by the Bellaire Chinese Club (BCC) and the Chinese Honor Society (CHS).

BCC sponsor and Chinese teacher Sarah Tsai detailed the planning and hard work that went into the program.

“We’ve been planning for a while, and it will be very busy,” Tsai said. “We have to set up the whole show during 4th period, and everything will have to be done in 50 minutes including passing out the food and drinks, then the program following which features performances from Chinese teacher Sandra Huang’s CHS talent show students. Afterwards, we have to put all the tables and chairs back.”

BCC and CHS students and teachers were bustling about 4th period before lunch practicing their performance, setting up the luncheon stands and tables and making sure everything was in order. The food included a boxed lunch with steamed broccoli, bell pepper and beef, a tomato and egg dish and rice with a choice of fried chicken or pork. A separate stand sold milk tea tapioca. Tickets started selling a month prior to the event. The lunch boxes sold for \$8 and the tapioca for \$3. The luncheon performance, Tsai said, was following up on the success of the Chinese Talent Show.

“We just want students to experience the Chinese culture,” Tsai said. “A lot of teachers and students bought tickets for it. The student performers are really professional, and there are a lot of people who want to go because they saw the performance at the talent show. For the talent show performance, we had people from other schools like Austin High School sign up. They brought their students on buses to watch our talent show performers. For 7th period we had about 950 people and for 6th period, 600 people.”



After people received their lunch from the stands at the entrance, they filed into the MPR to watch the show. It included acts such as lion dancing, a showcase of the traditional Chinese yo-yo as well as a performance that involved flag twirling and an array of kung fu, acrobatic leaps and dancing.

After hard planning and practicing, the Luncheon was able to run smoothly with everything done to show off the Chinese culture.

DECA Competes in District 3 Career Development Conference

By Elaine Shen

On Jan. 18, Bellaire's DECA club competed in the DECA Mini Conference and District 3 DECA Career Development Conference. Jackson Chang, a winner in the DECA Mini Conference, thought the experience was excellent because his competitors were interested in business just like he was.

"The conferences are great since there are a myriad of people who share similar aspirations, which make conversation much easier and more interesting," Chang said. "It was very intriguing talking to others about their competitive event and learning the various facets of business."

The competition itself consists of two parts: testing and role-playing. The role-playing part requires competitors to think on their feet, present information in an organized fashion, speak publicly and problem solve. Each competitor is given a prompt with a role and a situation from which they are to base their performance off of.

"It almost turned into a debacle," Chang said. "Moments before the start of my event, I was informed by my adviser, Ms. McKinney, that I had been registered in the event 'Principles of Business Management' due to a mishap. I was supposed to be in 'Service Marketing Management' which is completely different."

Not wanting to relinquish the opportunity, Chang decided to compete in the event even though he was not prepared. Chang went in and did his best, with some knowledge of Business Management from his father.

"During the awards ceremony, I was wishing others luck and hoping my team members won," Chang said. "The thought of me being one of the award recipients hadn't even crossed my mind. I was awestruck when they called my name, and even more so when they called my name a second time for another award."

Participants in the DECA Mini Conference and the District 3 DECA Career Development Conference include Lindsey Benguel, Marissa Carrillo, Jackson Chang, Monica Farag, Dante Brooks, Shekia Dillahaunty, Karlon Greenhouse, Tianna Kelly, Sidra Naveed, Quentin Lovall,



Jackson Chang wins DECA award.

Kiar'arah Momon, Virginia Nwosu Michaels, Marklal Tea, Joshua Rodriquez, and Tatyana Jones. Those moving on to compete at the Texas CDC conference in Dallas are: Tatyana Jones, Karlon Greenhouse, Tianna Kelly, Sidra Naveed and Jackson Chang.

Local Businessmen Visit DECA to Promote Scholarship Opportunities



Visitors speak to the DECA students about future career options and the opportunity to take on leadership roles.

Photo by Dante Brooks

On Feb. 7, the DECA classroom was visited by local business professionals promoting the Clyde and Helen Wilburn Scholarship Foundation and helped the students learn how to apply for the scholarship. Clyde and Helen Wilburn were Bellaire residents who supported education and created a fund to support scholarships for students active in Career and Technology programs like DECA.

Students from Bellaire, Westbury and Lamar will apply for the scholarships. The scholarships are due April 4th. Scholarships will be awarded in May.

Good Luck!

DECA hosts Fashion Show

By Sophie Daily, Michelle Huang and Claire Weddle

The Youth Business Institute (YBI) Fashion Production by the Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) was held on Mar. 7 in the multipurpose room during second and third period. DECA is an association of students who have an interest in marketing, merchandising, management and entrepreneurship. All students and teachers were invited to attend the show at no cost. Students in the Fashion Marketing class modeled and participated in the show. The sponsor of DECA, Alice McKinney, discussed the people behind the scenes of the fashion show.

“The Fashion Marketing class is powered by the TJMaxx Corporation,” McKinney said. “They come to the school and help the students prepare for the business world by teaching sessions on: time management, resume writing, employment applications, networking, job searching, earning a living, interview preparation and scholarships.”

During the fashion show, the fashion marketing students taught show attendees the difference between appropriate and inappropriate interview outfits. MicKinney hopes the students continue to take what they learn from the TJMaxx sessions when applying for jobs in the near future.

“We are hoping to impact the students to select better choices of clothing for their job search,” McKinney said.



FCA Brings New Outlook on a Variety of Topics

By Jennifer Wang

With over hundreds of clubs focusing on different topics, Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) provides a unique insight unlike any other club at Bellaire. FCA is sponsored by Greg Menephee and Rebecca Childs. Meetings are usually held on Thursdays in room 135 unless a prep rally in the courtyard or a National Honor Society meeting happens to fall on the same day. If that is the case, FCA then resumes meetings on Fridays in room 127.



Junior Kate Campbell, who joined the club as a sophomore, views FCA as a special club that has impacted her. She decided to join the club because best friend was president of the club. Campbell described the purpose of the club and the activities members participate in.

“FCA is all about community and fellowship,” Campbell said. “We meet at lunch to talk about Jesus and his glory and the joy that we share together in that. On the weekends we play various sports like Ultimate Frisbee or kickball.”

FCA frequently brings in speakers to the meetings or has officers who speak to the club to inspire members. Campbell explained the aspects of the club she admires and the experiences she has gone through.

“My favorite part of FCA would have to be how real it gets and how honest people are with themselves as well as Jesus,” Campbell said. “It's a really sweet thing to see and be a part of. I am so glad that I joined. The way people love each other in that club is one of the many reasons that makes FCA the club it is.”