



***JANUARY 19, 2018***

**Jaguar**



**Jamboree**

# *Jaguar speech team season begins*

The HDC Speech Team's season is off to a great start. There are 19 members on the team who will be competing in one to three events at each meet. Members have selected their scripts and topics and are into the process of writing, revising, and practicing. Their first meet was Saturday, January 13th at Pierce. The team members also have two home meets this month. The team had a successful day January 17th in Dodge. January 24th the team is hosting the Jaguar Jabber in Howells. We want to wish every member good luck!

- Lupe Curiel



# Boys team continues to win

The boys basketball team is working hard and has a record of 8-7. The boys played in two very competitive holiday tournaments. In the Bergan tournament, the boys had to pull off a hard first round win against Hartington CC to advance to the finals. The final score of that game was 48-42. The team had to fight until the end showing great defense. The next night the Jaguars had an even tougher team to compete against---the Bergan Knights. They had a very close game, once again, that came down to the wire. With Blum fouling out at the end some of the other boys had to step up and take a new role. The Jags took a hard loss that night 52-47. Over the holiday, the Jags played in another tournament. Coming in as the second seed and playing the third seed Homer right off the bat, the Jags got a win 67-38. This also gave Coach Fischer his 100th win since he has been coaching at Howells-Dodge. In the last game of the holiday tourney, the boys had to take on the BRLD Wolverines again. They came out a little slow at the beginning, but fought back in the end to make it a very fun game to watch. The Jags lost 62-54. On Jan. 5, the boys battled against Humphrey St. Francis and on Jan. 6 played Plainview. The Jags lost to the Flyers by just a few baskets. Even after having a game the night before the boys came out and gave it all they had to defeat the Plainview Pirates. On Friday, Jan. 12 the boy lost to Wisner by a double digit margin. The first half score was kept close until the Gators hit two 3-point baskets within the last minute.

-Tonya Brester



# Lady Jags taking charge!

The Lady Jags have had a great season and are starting to get to the beginning of the end. The Lady Jags are 8-8 now and going for more wins. The team members are all working together to get their season moving toward an amazing comeback.

-Grace Dvorak



# ***JAGUAR WRESTLERS KEEP ROLLING!***

***THE HOWELLS-DODGE WRESTLING TEAM CONTINUES TO HAVE A VERY SUCCESSFUL SEASON WITH A 4TH PLACE FINISH IN THE HOWELLS INVITE EARLY ON IN THE SEASON AND THEN ANOTHER 3RD PLACE FINISH IN OSCEOLA. SENIOR MILES KULHANEK REACHED A HUGE MILESTONE IN HIS WRESTLING CAREER AT THE HIGH PLAINS INVITE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 6TH BY PICKING UP 100 CAREER PINS. MILES IS ALSO WORKING TOWARDS ANOTHER CAREER GOAL OF 150 WINS. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK ,MILES, AND THE REST OF THE JAGUAR WRESTLERS.***

By Ryan Macholan



# Checking on all those New Year's resolutions

With January 1st behind us, most people have made New Year's resolutions. In America, here are the most popular New Year's resolutions for 2018:

- Eat better/Exercise more/Spend less money — 37 percent
- Self-care (e.g. getting more sleep) — 24 percent
- Read more books — 18 percent
- Learn a new skill — 15 percent
- Get a new job — 14 percent
- Make new friends/New hobby — 13 percent
- Focus more on appearance/relationships — 12 percent
- Cut down on cigarettes/alcohol — 9 percent
- Go on more dates — 7 percent
- Focus less on appearance — 3 percent

-Luke Larson

## Jaguar Advice Column

- If you're not doing so well in a class, what should you do?

-You could ask the teacher for help or get someone who knows how to do it to teach it to you.

- What can you do to get more active in school?

-Lots of things. You could dress up on days we have spirit week, join sports teams, join organizations, or attend school activities.

- What do you do if someone's a bad influence and you don't want to take part in what they asked you to do?

-You can simply say that you don't want to get in trouble or out yourself in a situation that would ruin your reputation.

- What could you do to become a better student?

-Do everything the teachers and principal ask of you, get good grades, turn in your homework and classwork in time, and join school activities.

- How should you act at school?

-Treat everyone with respect and be positive.

- What do you do if you're in a class you don't want to be in?

-Talk to your teacher and the principal and see if there is a possibility that you can change it for the following semester. Make the best of it and have a positive attitude.

- What could you do to get ready for college?

-In a study hall or in college prep, research and find out what college you want to go to and then fill out all the grants and scholarships that apply to you. It'll help cut the cost of college for you.

- How can you get scholarships or find help in getting set up with it?

-Mrs. Bazata can always help. She knows websites for scholarships, or she can help with information about the college and stuff like that. Any questions you have, just take to her and she can answer them

- What advice would you give to students who are just starting in high school?

-Just turn your homework in on time and stay caught up because once you're behind, it can be very hard to catch back up. Stay focused on school.

- What do you do if you don't really have friends?

-Join an organization or sport and get to know others. Start conversations with them and build that friendship.

-Ashley Smith



# RANDOM SURVEY

## RESULTS

### PARTICIPATION

11 of 30 Freshman

9 of 23 Sophomores

4 of 27 Juniors

9 of 25 Seniors

### Of 33 Participants.....

13 people say that they have Google searched themselves and haven't found a picture of themselves, whereas 18 people have Googled themselves and found a picture. The other 2 people haven't Googled themselves.

31 participants say they'd like the ability to read minds, while 2 other people would not.

Pick a Number

1-- 1 person

2-- 5 people

3-- 10 people

4-- 17 people

If given the opportunity to change gender for one day, 19 people would take the opportunity, 11 people don't know if they'd like to, and 2 people would not.

Do you sing in the shower?

Yes-- 16 people

No-- 4 people

Depends on the day-- 13 people

If given the chance to change their name, 9 people would, and 24 people would not.

When asked if they had a friend who is a bad influence, 17 people said they did, 9 people said they didn't, and 8 people claimed to be the bad influence.

**THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!!**

- REBECCA SWANDA

## 10,000 steps back

A California man is attempting to make strange history for a heartwarming reason. Loren Zitomersky will try to run the entirety of the Boston Marathon while facing backward. This man is an experienced runner. Why on earth he would do this? He's accomplishing this odd feat to raise money for the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles. This cause hits close to home as his brother, Brian, died of epilepsy relating complications at the age of 7. He is also trying to break the Guinness World Record by running the marathon in under 3 hours, 43 minutes, and 39 seconds. Zitomersky explains that the pain in his legs caused by running backwards is nothing compared to the pain and struggle epilepsy patients go through every day. So what do you think? Will he accomplish his heroic act? We're all rooting for you, mysterious backwards running man!



—Ellie Sheaks

# **New game causes craze among students**

***Fortnite: Battle Royale* is a new game on the scene that has the male population of the school in a frenzy. *Fortnite* is so popular due to the fact that it is free to download on XBOX 1, PlayStation 4, and PC Computers. If you are familiar with the Hunger Games, you will understand the concept of *Fortnite*. 100 individual people are dropped onto a large map with many destinations to land, with guns laying about. The goal of the game is to kill the rest of the people on the map and survive until the end, where the last person standing wins Victory Royale. This game combines the exciting element of survival with elements of shooting a multitude of other guns, building structures to defend yourself, and strategy on where and how a player should go about trying to obtain the Victory Royale. One thing that makes this game even more fun to play is you can team up with your friends to play in the duo game mode or play as a team of three or four in squad mode. Strategy in solos vs. playing duos or squads is very different and the tactics are what make the game so fun and exciting. Many players choose to be more stealthy in solo games but yet play highly aggressive in duos and squads since they have teammates to back them up. *Fortnite: Battle Royale* is a fun game for all to enjoy. Strategy and building forts combined with shooting guns and killing people make this game not just a new craze but a game that will stand the test of time.**

**-Dax VanLengen**

# California residents evacuate again

Many Californians that had to flee after the terrible wildfires last year now have to run from the water. Heavy rains from the first big storm of the rainy season are expected to trigger mudslides in parts of Southern California charred last year by wildfires. 6,000 people in Santa Barbara County now have to leave their homes. The fires burned acres of protective brush on hillsides, leaving little to no vegetation to prevent mudslides and debris flow.



-Catherine Kempf

# Senior Tributes



## Connor Blum

**Birthday: 10-25-99**

**Favorite Color: Blue**

**Favorite Quote: "You miss every shot that you don't take"**

**Favorite animal: Lion**

**If you could travel anywhere in time, where would you go?: I'd go back in time and watch Wilt Chamberlain's hundred point game.**

**What are your plans after graduation? Go to Wayne State and Major in Elementary Education**

**-McKenna Klosen**

# Perla Delgado



**Birthday:** July 27, 1999

**Favorite Color:** Yellow

**Favorite Quote:** “I live my life a quarter mile at a time.”

**Favorite Animal:** Giraffe

**If you could travel anywhere in time, where would you go:** Cabo San Lucas

**What are your plans after graduation:** Attend NECC and major in Dentistry

- Javier Delgado



*Dax VanLengen*

*Birthday: 08/26/99*

*Favorite Color: Royal Blue*

*Favorite Quote: "If it gets too loud, just talk louder."-The Kravig Family*

*Favorite Animal: Grizzly Bear*

*If you could travel anywhere in time, where would you go?*

*Go back to when my parents were in high school to watch them play sports*

*What are your plans after graduation? Attend Wayne State College and major in Middle Level Education*

*-Macey Kulhanek*



# FCCLA members presenting their STAR Events

The following HD FCCLA members will be competing in the District 5 FCCLA STAR Events on Friday, Jan. 19 in David City.

The Senior Division includes:

Family Challenges and Issues - Brittany Cech; Health & Wellness - Zach Lund, Josh Brester, Connor Blum; Advocacy - Grace Kreikemeier, Madyson Cech; Chapter Service Project Portfolio - Katelyn Steffensmeier, Jordyn Brester, Emily Wragge; Chapter In Review Display - Desirae Haase, Megan Balsley; Entrepreneurship - Darrin Pokorny, Luke Rocheford, Kyle Pickhinke, Focus on Children - Grace Dvorak, McKenna Klosen, Hannah Bayer; Food Innovations - Holly Tomcak, Ellie Sheaks, Michaela Hegemann; Hospitality, Tourism and Recreation - Brad Kratochvil, Seth Cech; Illustrated Talk - Chloe Pieper; Interior Design - Bridget Praest, Courtney Bayer, Neleigh Jensen; Interpersonal Communication - Callie Jackson, Catherine Kempf, Alyssa Cappellano; Life Event Planning - Lindsey Pickhinke, Rebecca Swanda; Parliamentary Procedure - Dax VanLengen, Ryan Macholan, Jordon Brichacek, Ely Henrickson, Jon Yosten, Lane Hegemann, Mitch Yosten, Kade Hegemann; Promote and Publicize FCCLA - Tonya Brester, Erin Prusa, Jessi Brester; Sports Nutrition - Taya VanLengen, Alyssa Cappellano.

Junior Division includes:

Focus on Children - Jill Grovijohn, Cassie Pieper, Logan Fiala; Food Innovations - Harley Williams, Jacob Tomcak; Life Event Planning - Jayda Bazata, Riley Pokorny, Lexie Brester; Sports Nutrition - Cara Dvorak, Audrey Coufal, Janessa Schmidt. Wish them luck!

-Miah Nathan

