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Duneland Building Trades House is now For Sale



New Energy Efficient Home

This is an REMC Touchstone Energy Home Constructed by our Duneland Building Trades students under the direction of Mr. Jeff Larson. The house is located in beautiful Jackson Township within the Duneland School System. The house features a main floor greatroom, main floor large master bedroom with full bath, main floor second and third bedrooms with a Jack & Jill full bath, main floor kitchen to include a range/hood/microwave; built-in dishwasher and disposal, half-bath off the kitchen, upper loft which could be used for an office or an additional bedroom, maintenance 10x20 free rear deck, 3 car garage, insulated vinyl siding, and a full unfinished basement with insulated walls. Hardwood floors in all rooms except bedrooms, loft, and baths. Buyer is still able to choose carpet color for bedroom areas and loft. The house is being marketed by Rick Hokanson of the Boulder Bay Realty Group and is listed at \$312,000. Telephone: Primary 219-531-6683, Secondary 219-508-3241; E-mail: reddogrick@yahoo.com. See this listing on the Internet at: http://www.boulderbayrealtygroup.com.

Please forward this newsletter to parents, students, advisory committee members, and other interested parties.

Look at our Athletic Students!







"Will and I could hardly wait for the morning to come to get at something that interested us. That's happiness."- **Orville Wright, co-inventor of the airplane**

Afternoon Career and Tech Center Students



In case you have not seen our latest introductory video for our CTE programs, check out the following link: http://il.youtube.com/watch?v=lZZ4dqCV720&feature=related

This was produced by Mr. Phelps' Video and Media Productions class and specifically Christy St John (a VHS 2010 grad who is now attending Carnegie Mellon University).

Portage Dental Students Participated in Summer National HOSA Conference



Mea Bujna, Samantha Douglass, and Audrey Munro (pictured 1-r above) along with Mrs. Doane, Dental Health instructor, attended the 33rd Annual HOSA National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida on June 23 to 26. They attended general sessions, educational workshops, and competitive events along with over 7,000 HOSA members from around the country.

2010 HOSA State and National Competitive Event Results:

Mea Bujna (Portage High School)

- ❖ 1st place State Dental Spelling
- ❖ Top 10 State Extemporaneous Health Poster
- ❖ Top 25 National Dental Spelling

Samantha Douglass (Valparaiso High School)

- ❖ 1st place State Dental Terminology
- ❖ Top 10 State Job Seeking Skills
- ❖ Top 10 National Dental Terminology

Audrey Munro (Boone Grove High School)

- ❖ 2nd place State Dental Terminology
- ❖ Top 25 National Dental Terminology

In addition to advancing to HOSA Nationals, they were all inducted into the Porter County Career and Technical Honor Society. They are currently attending college at the following: Mea and Samantha at Indiana University Northwest and Audrey is attending Ivy Tech, all plan to pursue careers in the dental field.

Support recycling and our newest CTE program at the same time

Do you subscribe to a fine cooking magazine? If so, please consider donating it to our newest CTE program in Culinary Sciences located at Boone Grove. The instructor would be very appreciative. Contact Ms. Heidi Harbaugh for more information at harbaugh@ptsc.k12.in.us

Homework Help for Students Available by Phone, Online

Students in grades 6-12 who are having trouble with math or science assignments can find help with just a phone call or computer mouse click.

Starting in September, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology will again offer free tutoring every Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. EST. Hoosier students can call 1-877-ASK-ROSE (1-877-275-7673) and receive personal attention as they work through difficult problems.

Students calling the hotline will need to provide their first name, their school's name and be prepared with necessary materials.



(information, courtesy of Sen. Ed Charbonneau's newsletter)

Resources for those dealing with teen dating violence include:

- National Sexual Violence Resource Center www.nsvrc.org
- National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center www.safeyouth.org
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides an online training: http://www.cdc.gov/Features/DatingViolence/
- Choose Respect Initiative An initiative to help adolescents form healthy relationships to prevent dating abuse before it starts: www.chooserespect.org
- Love is Respect National Teen Dating Abuse Hotline & Teen Dating Bill of Rights http://www.loveisrespect.org/
- MTV's A Thin Line a campaign developed to empower youth to identify, respond to, and stop the spread of digital abuse: http://www.athinline.org/about
- **Break the Cycle** provides a beginner's guide to dating violence. Dating Violence 101: http://www.breakthecycle.org/dating-violence-101
- **DoSomething.org** is a campaign partnering with Liz Claiborne Inc. to empower people to take action around teen dating abuse: http://www.dosomething.org/actnow
- National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
- National Sexual Assault Hotline 1-800-656-HOPE (4673)
- National Center for Victims of Crime http://www.ncvc.org 1-800-FYI-CALL

Enjoy the power of youth, even though you will never know you had it, until you have lost it. -- Author unknown

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Landscaping Students are Working to Beautify District Office

Mrs. Sutherlin's Landscaping class is planning to start work on the EPCSC Corporation office. Students will be redoing the landscape at the building and installing edging around the North and West sides. The class is teaming up with Rudy Vargas from RV Property Enhancement. Students met with Mr. Vargas already to do a site/customer visit where the kids were able to walk the property and take notes and discuss ideas. Next week, the class will be back to remove shrubs. At that time, planting ideas will be discussed and the edging will be installed. Rudy and his company will be installing the edging and showing my students the proper methods and techniques. We will go back in the spring and mulch and plant the perennials that the students will select. This is another great example of businesses in our community working with our class.

Career and Tech Center Holds First Blood Drive of the Year

Pictured at right is Mike Brunner of Portage HS who was the first donor of the day.

Below is Sara Patten (PHS) turning in her donor information form to Christina Cavillo and Natalie Morales (both of Hobart HS) who are helping to administer the blood drive.



Students, Graduates, and Supporters are all invited to become a Fan of "Porter County Career and Tech Center" On Facebook

Calendar

- September 3, First Blood Drive of the Year at the Career and Tech Center
- September 10 and 11, Community Service helping Kiwanis Club park cars at the Hot Air BalloonFest
- September 15, Lt. Governor Becky Skillman to visit our alternative energy project at the Career and Tech Center
- September 23, 6 7 pm, Back to School Night at the Porter County Career and Tech Center
- October 14, District General Advisory Committee Meeting at Career and Tech Center, 3:30 -4:30

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Our Newsletter

Porter County Career and Technical Education News is a newsletter for promoting the high achievement of our staff and students. Written contributions to the newsletter are always welcome. Most articles should be written in 100 words or less. Please fax (531-3173), call (531-3170), or email (jgroth@mail.valpo.k12.in.us) with news to be published about you and your students.





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