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# "Our job includes making a profound difference in the lives of our students!

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TAKE ON THE WORLD

### **TV/Media Productions Students Produce Football Broadcast**

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Our Video Production class welcomed Tom Kozrowski (friend and former colleague of instructor, Mr. Phelps) to speak to their class. Tom, a 1999 graduate of Valparaiso High School, is a freelance sports videographer who covers college



Alyssa DeCheske (Hebron HS) above and pro football, runs handheld camera for the Kentucky Derby on NBC, and currently shoots handheld camera on the sidelines for the Marshall University football games airing on (L-R) Mitch Paxton (VHS), Precious Pabon (Hebron), Anna Hanson (VHS), Alyssa DeCheske (Hebron HS), Maggie Lindeman (Hebron), Tom Kozrowski

#### Comcast Sports South.

During class, Tom talked about his job as a sports camera operator, his time spent covering Hurricane Isaac for Fox News, and the important skill of networking and making sure you leave a positive impression on your work colleagues. Later that evening, at Viking Field, Tom spoke with the Video Production students who operated the Valpo High School video display board and offered advice to make their production easier and more entertaining. Precious Pabon, a senior at Hebron High School, says, "He explained some simple changes that helped me get more creative shots, like holding the camera differently." Tom showed the student 'grips' (the crew members who handle the cable for the handheld camera operator) how to quickly wrap and unwrap their cable while staying out of everyone's way and minimizing tangles. After the game, Tom participated in the post-production meeting and said "You guys were so great I would put you on my crew any day!"

The students were very grateful to have Tom share his experiences and give advice they can use to be successful in the competitive business of sports broadcasting.

#### Three Students Nominated for Indiana Award for Excellence



Matt Mues and his Criminal Investigations instructor, Mr. Curt Hawkins.

approved four nominations for an Indiana Award for Excellence. The Award for Excellence is the highest award presented in Indiana to a student, program, or partnership. These students were selected from 1100 eligible students to be candidates for this highest award presented to a Career and Technical Education student in Indiana. The following three students were nominated:

The Porter County Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee met on October 25 and among other business unanimously



Ben Brubaker, VHS Senior, Electronics and Computer Tech II student.

#### Students:

- 1. Ben Brubaker, (two years study in Electronics and Computer Technology) (Valparaiso HS senior)
- 2. Matt Mues, (Criminal Justice and Criminal Investigations student) (Valparaiso HS senior)
- 3. Alexander Schreier, (present Health Occupations Student, and Medical Terminology student) (Portage HS senior)

# Partnership Nominee:

4. The Porter County Career and Tech Center's Alternative Energy Demonstration Project was nominated for an Indiana Partnership Award.

This partnership includes the Electronics Technology and Modern Machining



Alex Schreier, PHS senior, Health Occupations student and Medical Terminology graduate.

programs, the Valparaiso Community Schools Maintenance staff, Midwest Wind and Solar LLC, and former and present students.

Statewide Award for Excellence selections will be announced in late January and presented in Indianapolis in March.

#### Target® Take Charge of Education Program --

We annually receive a donation thanks to Target shoppers who designate the Career Center for their Target rewards card 1% donation.



# Porter County Career & Technical Center Outstanding Students /Shining Stars First Quarter 2012-2013 School Year

Name	School	Subject
Jeremy Eaves	Hobart	Auto - AM - Sickles
Quintin Lukaszewski	Hobart	Auto - PM - Sickles
<b>Hunter Penzato</b>	Hobart	Auto - AM - Avalos
David Sokol	Wheeler	Auto - PM - Avalos
Jarrett Colvin	Hobart	Bldg Trds – AM - Doane
Jerry Fieser	Hebron	Bldg Trds – PM - Doane
Kelsie McDaniel	Morgan Twp	Business Ownership/Sports &
		Entertainment Mkt – AM - Commers
Brian Smrekar	<b>Washington Twp</b>	Marketing Internship - PM - Commers
Nathan Enloe	Valparaiso	CAD - AM - Guinee
<b>Daniel Morris</b>	Washington Twp.	CAD - PM - Guinee
Paul Bui	Valparaiso	Electronics and Computer Technology –
		AM - Kenning
Ben Brubaker	Valparaiso	Electronics and Computer Technology -
		PM - Kenning
Jose Claudio	Portage	Health Occ AM - Edwards
Victoria Pigg	Chesterton	Health Occ PM - Edwards
<b>Emily Brinkley</b>	Portage	Health Occ. – AM - Marcus
Christy Williamson	Morgan	Health Careers - PM – Marcus
Sage Melton	<b>Boone Grove</b>	Machine Trades - AM - Carmack
Robert Ross	Washington	Machine Trades – PM - Carmack
Cody Penfold	Hebron	Machine Trades – PM - Carmack
Rebecca Annen	Valparaiso	TV Productions – AM - Phelps
Mitch Paxton	Valparaiso	TV Productions – PM - Phelps

"You have brains in your head.

You have feet in your shoes.

You can steer yourself any direction you choose.

You're on your own.

And you know what you know.

And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go..." Dr. Seuss

# **Dental Students Exhibit Community Service Initiative**



Mrs. Doane's Dental Class put together and delivered 37 hygiene bags (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, comb/brush, washcloths, and lotion) and 4 buckets filled with cleaning supplies for homeless through Heartland Alliance For Human Needs in Chicago. The class is pictured above after delivering their gifts.

They also sold "I'm Thankful For You" Thanksgiving treats at Portage High School. All profits will be used to purchase gifts for the less fortunate during the holidays.

Early Childhood Education Class Does a Little Extra for our Veterans



Mrs. Idding's Early Childhood Education students standing in front of their "Home Town Hero's" bulletin board that they designed for Veterans Day. They also have their own personal class "Home town Heroes" who are "Corp. Airel Hill," who is in Portage's ROTC program, plus Ashley Watkins who just enlisted in the Navy in October. Thanks for recognizing and making our veterans feel appreciated.

# Student Store Opens Nacho Mommas is Christened at Grand Opening



job decorating the Commons and getting the store ready for the Grand Opening which was attended by numerous family and friends.

#### Calendar

- Nov. 20, Grand Opening of Nacho Mommas student store
- Dec. 1-14, Angel Tree Drive
- Jan. 14-18, Spirit Week at the Career and Tech Center
- Jan. 25, Notre Dame Hockey Trip, PCCTC Student Tickets \$5
- Feb. 11-14, Valentine Gram Week Fundraiser for Charity to be selected
- April 11, County Advisory Committee Meeting, 3:30, Career Center

#### 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@valpo.k12.in.us) with news to be published about you and your students.

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