

NOVEMBER 2011

Nov. 1 & 2	Global Trade Mission
Nov. 2	First Rehearsal Jazz Band 2:45 – 4:00 pm
Nov. 4	Edsel & Eleanor Ford's House, Art Field Trip
Nov. 3	Senior Class Meeting (Cap & Gown)– 2:10
Nov. 8	No School – Teacher Professional Development
Nov. 10	Senior Cap & Gown Orders Due Senior All-Night Party Meeting for Parents – 7:00 pm - Rm 20
Nov. 12	Chippewa Valley Band Booster-Fall/Holiday Craft Show
Nov. 12	Choir at Lakeside Mall – 10:00 am
Nov. 18	Principal's Advisory Meeting – 9:30 am – Rm 20
Nov. 23 – Nov 27	Thanksgiving Holiday Break – No Homework Recess
Nov. 28	School Resumes

Students with Spirit

Our Student Council with Ms. Szabo's assistance sponsored an exciting week of activities that culminated with a fantastic Midnight in Monte Carlo Dance. IAM students have always enjoyed their dances, but this one was the most successful of all, with close to 500 students in attendance. As always, it appeared that everyone danced! Our seniors had a few sentimental moments as they realized that this was their last *Homecoming Dance*.

During the week, dress-up days included mismatched clothing, western attire, sleepwear and dressing as a teacher. It is amazing to note how hard students tried, mostly unsuccessfully, to incorporate sweats, into the various themes.

On the half day of school, juniors and seniors attended a session on stress management. Lisa Wilson, adjunct professor from Macomb Community College, shared a variety of strategies to help students deal with stress. To provide some de-stressing time, forum teachers gave juniors and seniors time to study. Sophomores made cards and cut coupons for our troops overseas, and freshmen created, performed and competed for their *best cheer* about the IAM. In the coming years, Spirit Week will be a cherished high school memory.

On Halloween, goblins, witches, cowboys and cheerleaders populated our halls in their creative attire.

Conferencing with Parents

We experienced excellent participation at Parent/Teacher Conferences. It is a pleasure to welcome our families to our school. Our freshmen are adjusting to the rigor of the academic program and the increased time required for homework. Our sophomores are acclimated to the program and look forward to the IB curriculum in the junior year. Our juniors are finally into the IB years, with CAS, ACT and Extended Essays in the future. Our inaugural seniors are scrambling with college/scholarship applications, internal assessments, final touches to the Extended Essay and CAS hours, and experiencing the general anxiety about what follows high school. We know that they will be very successful as they pursue higher education.

Senior Enrichment

Seniors are presently studying the Shakespearean tragedy *King Lear*. On Monday, Nov. 14, they will have the opportunity to attend a lecture on the topic of Shakespeare's works by Wayne

State University literature professor Dr. Ken Jackson.

Model United Nations

Thirty-three students from the IAM's sophomore, junior, and senior classes spent Saturday, Oct. 29, at Northville High School at the 2011 South East Michigan Model United Nations Association Conference. Students participated in simulated United Nations Conferences with other students from our region. Our students were assigned the roles of Israel, Japan and Germany. They were very effective in representing their nations in mock UN scenarios.

Global Trade Mission

Twelve students, along with teachers Ms. Szabo and Ms. Peck will participate in the Global Trade Mission at the Macomb Intermediate School District. Approximately 150 students from around the county gather to respond to realistic industry specific projects while acquiring critical workplace skills, developing cultural diversity awareness, obtaining problem-solving techniques, as well as assuming corporate roles to guide their business presentations and work place goals. This innovative, hands-on learning experience will have students thinking, acting and producing results similar to those of business professionals in today's world. The Global Trade Mission serves as an educational, yet exciting way to immerse students in the global business experience.

Adventures in Art

Junior and Senior advanced art students will be visiting the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe on Friday, November 4th. The Ford House is featuring an exhibit titled, "ARTIFACT" where students from the College for Creative Studies in Detroit selected pieces from the House as inspiration for new, contemporary pieces. "The CCS students created their interpretations in response to a wide variety of work in a range of media that includes textiles and metalwork. Their provocative, contemporary creations will be shown side-by-side in most cases with the inspiration piece from the Ford House collection" (Current Events and Event Search, fordhouse.org). Students will also be given a guided tour of the historical House, its original art and antiques and the lake front grounds. Visit www.fordhouse.org for more information.

Progress in Science/Math

On Nov.16, ARTICLE: "Women making slow, sure strides in science, math"

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CVS Craft Show

The Chippewa Valley Band Booster Fall/Holiday Craft Show is on Saturday, November 12. This is the 18th year of the event and is scheduled to be the biggest ever, with 165 crafters and an extensive variety of crafts.

A Joyous Holiday

As we approach Thanksgiving, we wish our students and their families a joyous holiday.

