

# WM Wave

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**February 2012**

## DECA Students Excel at District Conference

*Five Students Will Compete at State*



Eleven students from Mott's business team DECA competed at the District 6 Career Development Conference at West Bloomfield High School and did really well against the other 15 schools in the competition. The list of participants and their event are listed below:

**Aleksandra Atanasova** (11) – Travel & Tourism  
**Devon Comps** (9) – Retail Merchandising

(l to r) Vito Williams, Devon Comps, Tanya Gulli, Dakota Ray, Mandy Kauppila, Aleksandra Atanasova, Hayden Moses, Bobby DiAngelo, Rolando Ybarra. Not pictured: Preston Ginter and Josh Rieck.

**Bobby DiAngelo** (12) – Business Services Marketing  
**Preston Ginter** (12) – Business Finance  
**Tanya Gulli** (12) – Travel & Tourism  
**Mandy Kauppila** (11) – Business Finance  
**Hayden Moses** (10) – Automotive Services Marketing  
**Dakota Ray** (10) – Restaurant & Food Marketing  
**Josh Reich** (12) – Business Services Marketing  
**Vito Williams** (9) – Restaurant & Food Marketing  
**Rolando Ybarra** (12) – Sports & Entertainment Marketing

Five students from Mott qualified for the State DECA competition to be held in March, and also received additional recognition for their outstanding scores:

**Aleksandra Atanasova & Tanya Gulli** – Travel & Tourism TEAM (best role play); **Preston Ginter** – Business Finance (best test score); **Mandy Kauppila** – Business Finance (best role play score); and **Rolando Ybarra** – Sports & Entertainment Marketing (best test score)

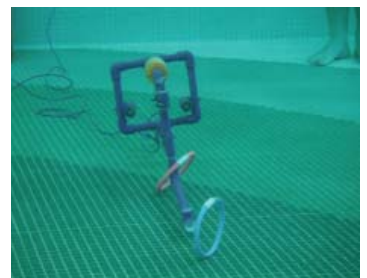
## Boys Varsity Bowling Team Crowned Oakland County Champs Girls Varsity Reaches Quarterfinals

The Waterford Mott Boys Varsity bowling team won the Oakland County Bowling Championship tournament at Thunderbird Lanes. They defeated Oxford in a thrilling match as R.J. Wood struck out in the final frame for a 6 pin victory. All the boys bowled well as a team throughout the day to earn the victory!

The Mott Girls Varsity Bowling Team qualified at Fairlane for match play and reached the quarterfinals before being defeated by Lakeland. Congratulations to both teams for a fine showing.

## Engineering Students Construct Underwater Remotely Operated Vehicles (ROV)

This fall the CADD Engineering classes at both Mott and Kettering high school purchased kits from SeaPerch. SeaPerch is an innovative underwater robotics program that trains teachers to teach their students how to construct an underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV).



The student's worked during class from November to the first week of January to design, construct, and test their ROV's before the competition in January. The competition was held at Kettering Pool and Fitness Center. In their teams, each student had to design a 3D concept model, and in each team they had to select a winner.

The Purp's (Darold Rose, Tyler Pearce and Martin McCloud) took 2nd overall out of the 11 participating teams. The students had a great time during this process and some of the returning students are all ready planning for next year.

## Did You Know...

- 87.7% of the 2011 Mott students accepted and planned to attend two or four year college?
- 2011 Mott students accepted grants and scholarships totalling \$1,726,945 and were offered over \$2 million?
- 223 scholarships and grants were awarded in 2011 district wide and 160 of those were accepted by Mott students (71.74%)?
- the class of 2011 Academic Achievement included 67 Cum Laude, 26 Magna Cum Laude, 43 Summa Cum Laude and 12 graduates with 4.0+ G.P.A.s?
- the class of 2012 has been offered over \$1.3 million dollars in scholarships and grants so far? Mott seniors are on track to beat the record set by the Class of 2011. Every penny of these awards has been earned by Mott's hard working students. Throughout their high school years, these students have volunteered in our community, made sacrifices, did their homework and displayed good citizenship. Many have overcome obstacles in their lives to achieve these goals. The Mott staff is so proud of these students!

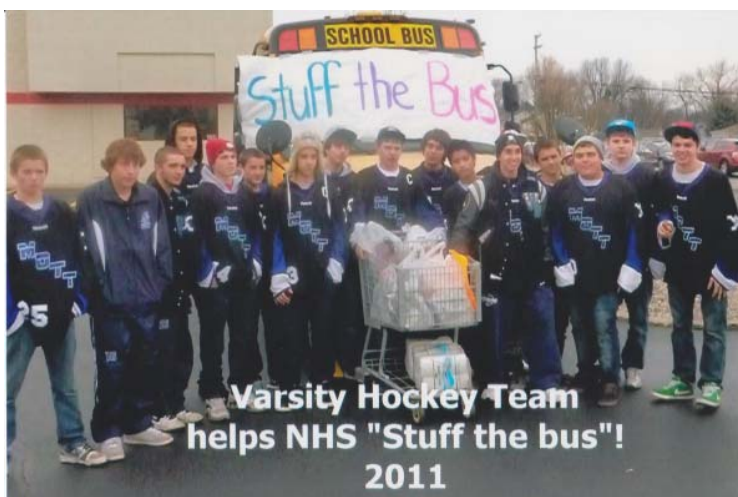
## Honors Geophysical Science Students Monitor Clinton River

The students of Waterford Mott Honors Geophysical Science class conducted a Fall and Spring stream monitoring of the Clinton River. Wearing hip waders and armed with nets, the students got in the water of the Pontiac Creek tributary to collect samples. They completed a chemical analysis of the water and collected bugs. Their test results determined the overall health of the stream was good. The data was shared with the Waterford Oaks County Park.

*(l to r): Rebekah Mathers, Sarah Golfis, Alex Enriquez, Nick Pham, Macey Ronquillo, Samantha Spitznas, and Leigh Ann Bjerke. Kneeling is Teacher Connie Gannon and Shimea Ellis.*



## Varsity Hockey Team Stuffs the Bus for the Holidays



The Varsity Hockey Team got together to help the Mott National Honor Society "Stuff the Bus" for the holidays. Each team member brought items to donate and also purchased items for the cause. The team consists of Captain Scott Cuthrell, Captain Austin Maas, Captain Tyler Vaughan, Austin Sereno, Stephen Price, Tylor Wortman, Christian Corona, Chase Furton, Nick Pham, Chase Sereno, Trevor Wortman, Ben Clemence, Drew Patterson, Scott Koenigbauer, Jon Furton, Max Vancil, Tyler Dearing and Drake

## Students Learn About Green Building Design and Biodiversity



The Advanced Placement Biology and Advanced Placement Environmental Science classes went to the University of Michigan to better understand aspects of green building design and biodiversity. The students attended a lecture at the School of Natural Resources and the Environment concerning the renovations to that building that made it LEED Certified. Students were also able to travel throughout the building to see firsthand the green design aspects and rate the building's progress toward LEED certification. After a short campus tour, they ended the day at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens. There, they examined several terrestrial ecosystems both inside the greenhouses and outdoors on the grounds.

## Counseling Corner

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### NCAA

NCAA has increased the number of core courses a student must complete while in high school to be eligible for athletics participation at a Division I or Division II institution. To read more about the changes, visit [www.ncaaclearinghouse.net](http://www.ncaaclearinghouse.net). Students are responsible for taking NCAA approved

courses. Our high school code is: 233-063 to view approved courses. Students should register online at the end of their junior year.

### Scholarships

All students seeking scholarships should register on [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com). Scholarship opportunities are available in the Career Resource Center. See Tina Mitchell for details.

### Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Seniors register online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov/](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/) to receive a student aid report (SAR) and expected family contributions (EFC) during the months of January and February.

### College Exploration

Visit [www.collegeview.com](http://www.collegeview.com) and [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) to research colleges.

### College Visits

Call the admissions office of the college of your choice. Speak with an admissions counselor to schedule an appointment to visit.

### Oakland Community College

Apply for O.C.C. Chancellor's Scholarship (up to \$25,000 available) online at [www.oaklandcc.edu](http://www.oaklandcc.edu).

### ACT Test dates

February 11, April 14, June 9. Register at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

### SAT Test

Students applying at a college requiring the SAT test will register online at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).

### College Research

Visit the universities' Web sites. This will allow you to learn more about the school's location, size, admission and financial aid information.

### Michigan Merit Exam (MME)

The M.M.E. test will take place on March 6th, 7th and 8th. All juniors take the M.M.E. Seniors do not take the test unless they did not take the M.M.E. during their junior year. Seniors then must sign up to take the test in counseling in February and will test during the same dates as the juniors. More details will follow in a mailing home.

### Plan Test

All sophomore students will take the P.L.A.N test on March 7th. If your student is a sophomore, they do not need to sign up. Simply have your student show up to school on March 7. More details will follow in a mailing home. All freshmen students will take the P.L.A.N test on March 8. If your student is a freshman, they do not need to sign up. Simply have your student show up on March 8.

## Alum Osika Shines at Michigan

In one of her first track and field outings as a Wolverine, former Corsair Shannon Osika made quite an impact! In the Michigan v. Ohio State dual meet, held in Columbus on Saturday, January 14th, she took first in the 3000m with a time of 9:40 and taking second in the mile with a time of 4:43. Full results can be found at [www.runmichigan.com](http://www.runmichigan.com). Stay tuned for more "Corsairs in College" updates.

## Bowling Teams Take on Staff

Mott staff attempted to defeat the Mott boys and girls bowling teams in a friendly competition at Airway Lanes. Staff members in attendance were Ryan Cieszkowski, Rick Dorn, Mike Erskine, Sam Granberry, Scott Kortlandt, Jill Avenall, Kathryn Ayer, Amy Coughlin, Christina Harding, Tiffany Patten and Lindsay Styke. The competitors bowled one 10 frame game then they combined to bowl 3 Baker games. The top score of the day went to Mr. Erskine who bowled a 269 but the Corsair bowlers came out on top when it was all said and done.

## No Place for Hate Initiatives

Waterford Mott's "No Place For Hate" student group has decided to impact Mott's halls in a positive way by conducting specific events to encourage positive hall behavior. This event will occur February 6-10. For example, one day all 120 committee members will sweep the halls to make sure they are free of trash and NPFH student leaders will send out positive messages to peers about different cultures that exist at Mott. This program focuses on bettering the Mott community by undertaking special projects each year. This year the project is the atmosphere of Mott's halls. The goal is always to make Mott a great place to be!





## Parent Conferences

**February 29**  
4-7 p.m.

**March 22**  
4-7 p.m.

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## Calendar

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| Feb. 1            | Professional Development Day - Half Day for Students |
| Feb. 8            | Student Count Day                                    |
| Feb. 11           | ACT Test 8 AM-Noon                                   |
| Feb. 16-18        | Winter Play 7 PM                                     |
| <b>Feb. 23-24</b> | <b>Mid Winter Break</b>                              |
| Feb. 27           | School Resumes                                       |
| Feb. 28           | Orchestra Pre-festival Concert 7 PM                  |
| Feb. 29           | Parent Conferences 4-7 PM                            |
| Mar. 1            | Band Pre-festival Concert 7 PM                       |
| Mar. 6-8          | MME Testing  |
| Mar 12            | 8th Grade Orientation 6PM                            |
| Mar. 13           | Waterford Foundation Select 50 Banquet at Mott       |
| Mar. 14           | Professional Development Day - Half Day for Students |
| Mar. 16           | Court in School (10th Grade)                         |
| Mar. 20-22        | MME Make Up  |
| Mar. 22           | Parent Conferences. 4-7 PM                           |
| Mar. 23           | Senior Panoramic Picture 7:30 AM                     |
| Mar. 30           | End of Marking Period 3                              |

## Santa's Workshop Event a Success!

Waterford Mott's Student Leadership class hosted the first annual Santa's Workshop. A student leader was nominated in each grade by their teachers and principal from all the Waterford elementary schools to attend the event. The students enjoyed various holiday crafts, games, and a dinner. During the event, Santa made

a special appearance, and later in the night awarded each kid a present for choosing to be a student leader in their school. Mott's Student Leadership wants to recognize and congratulate the young leaders who they know will one day fill their own shoes. The event went off without a hitch and was widely successful.

Student Leadership would like to give a special thanks to: Dolly's Pizza, 2855 Orchard Lake Road, Keego Harbor; Meijer, 4200 Highland Road, Waterford; and Kroger, 5111 Highland Road, Waterford.

And Toys for Tots for donating items that made the event be so successful!

## Celebrate in a Unique Way with Locker Art

Locker Art is an in-school business that provides decorations for a student's locker for any occasion. Locker Art can decorate a locker with a banner and balloons for:

**Birthdays**  
**We Love You**

**Congratulations**  
**Go Corsairs**

**Great Job**  
**Good Luck**

To place an order complete this form and return it to the high school, Room 200 or in the mailbox of Michelle Mendez. A two-day notice is needed. We can also decorate doors and desks of staff! Call 248.674.4134, ext. 200 with questions.

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient or Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Delivery Date \_\_\_\_\_

Locker Number (we can find out for you) \_\_\_\_\_

Occasion for Banner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$3.00 Each = \_\_\_\_\_

Solid Color Latex Balloon Amount \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ .50 Each = \_\_\_\_\_

Mylar Balloon Amount \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$2.00 Each = \_\_\_\_\_