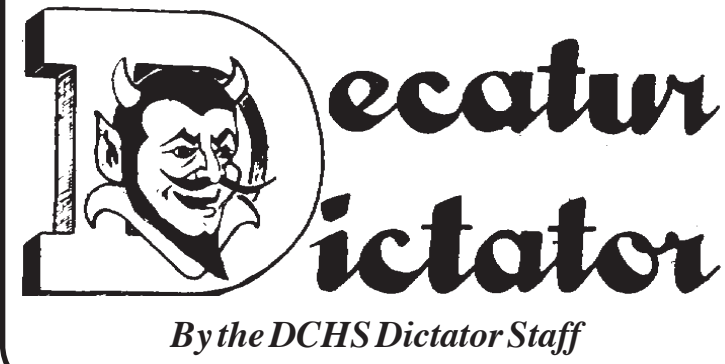


Voice of Decatur Community High School



Math students learn new hobby

By EVAN WALKER

Decatur Community High graduates Jenny and Jeremy Tally have a passion for geocaching, a fairly new hobby, that is enjoyed by people all over the world.

Geocaching is referred to as a high-tech treasure hunt. It consists of typing coordinates, which can be found on geocaching.com, into a global positioning device and following the directions to the cache.

A cache usually consists of a log-book for people to sign stating that they were there, and little trinkets that people may leave behind for others to find. There are over 2 million geocaches in the world, two are in our city park.

Mrs. Tally, the elementary school's vocal teacher, recently visited Pat Dorshorst's seventh hour applied math II class to share a little bit about her love for geocaching. She and her husband have placed several caches in Oberlin and other surrounding areas, some harder to

find than others.

It is definitely a patience-driven hobby, she said.

The math class successfully found four caches in Oberlin.

Geocaching is a good topic for the class because finding coordinates and using technology is practical in today's world.

Caches vary in size and can be as small as a matchbox or as large as an ammunition box or tupperware containers. They are very diverse. Not as diverse as what you may find inside however.

Some of the ones here in Oberlin contain things like water pistols, hacky sacks and noise makers. If you remove any of the objects, be sure to place something of equal or greater value in it's place.

If you would like to try geocaching, it is completely free. Just create a free account at www.geocaching.com and the world becomes your plunder.



DECATUR COMMUNITY HIGH students Mika Hackney, Matthew Helm and Kade Brown and their winning kite.

- Decatur Dictator photo

Let's go fly a kite in class

By MIKA HACKNEY

Flying kites and math may seem like they don't mix, but Pat Dorshorst has found a fun and educational way to teach trigonometry concepts.

Making and flying kites teach different skills, such as problem solving and analyzing different aspects like the wind and how to design a kite to make it fly. It also teaches cooperative learning and challenges students' creativity.

Students were given a few days to put together a design for their kites and to gather the materials they needed to build them.

Then, they took their kites out to the practice field, east of the school, and tested them out. Everyone had a

fun time trying to get their kites to fly and figuring out better designs. A few groups even tore apart their kites to make them lighter to catch the wind.

Out of both trigonometry classes, only two kites flew. Kade Brown, Matthew Helm and Mika Hackney's kite flew the highest.

The kite designed and built by Tyler Bruggeman, Miki Dorshorst, Lizzy Nedland and Sammy Meitl also flew. They won the the most creative kite award with their design called the Flying Squirrel. It had a head, paws and tail.

Flying kites in math class was a fun experience and is something everyone can look forward to in the class.

New Student

Triston Sepeda

By MEGAN HUNTLEY

Triston Sepeda is one of the new students in school this year. He is 16 years old and a junior. His parents are Karen and Austin Sepeda.

Triston came to Oberlin from Garden City about six weeks ago. He enjoys lifting weights; therefore, one of his favorite classes is physical education. He also says his other favorite class is trigonometry.

"One different thing about this school is the graduating class is about 20 students, and Garden's is about 500 students, so it's a bit smaller," said Triston.

His favorite movie is "Running Scared," and his favorite genres of music includes rap, hip hop, rock, and some country.

School Menus

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Monday: Breakfast: sausage-and-cheese biscuit. Lunch: cibatta pizza, applesauce. **Tuesday:** Breakfast: pancake wrap. Lunch: beef and noodles, mashed potatoes.

Wednesday: Breakfast: ham combo muffin. Lunch: chicken-patty sandwich, sweet potato fries. **Thursday:** Breakfast: breakfast-boat pizza.

Lunch: spaghetti with meat sauce, vegetable blend. **Friday:** Breakfast: ham patty mini loaf. Lunch: cheese-burger and French fries.

Fruit served with breakfasts, choice bar with lunches, milk with all meals.

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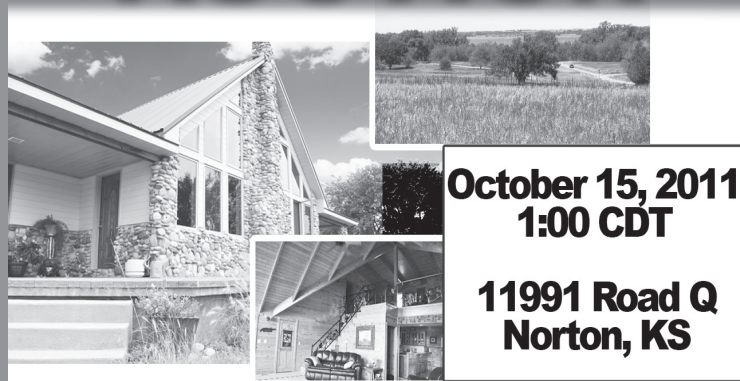
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