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21st Century Students Looking Towards Tomorrow

STUDENT OF THE YEAR Monica Larson



Congratulations to Monica Larson for being LTC 2017 Student of the Year!

Monica is a senior at Lexington High School enrolled in Health Science Technology at Lexington Technology Center. Mrs. Dooley describes Monica as "a dedicated student and enthusiastic leader." In addition to her academic achievements, Monica served as the president of South Carolina HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) and involved herself in mission work in the Dominican Republic and

Guatemala. She also tutors elementary students after school. Monica plans to become a physician. In her nomination letter Mrs. Dooley stated that "Monica has the academic talent and drive to become a fine doctor but more importantly, she has the selflessness to be a great humanitarian and healer."

The three-judge panel had great difficulty in selecting one student out of the highly qualified candidates and they were moved to acknowledge two additional students, Zachery Pennington and Kyle Rouillard by Honorable Mention. Zachery is a senior from White Knoll High School enrolled in both Power Equipment Technology and Machine Tool Technology at LTC. Mr. Rikard describes Zachery as someone who "loves a challenge," and "takes pride in his work." In addition to performing well in classes, Zachery works drag races and has brought some of his drag car parts to demonstrate for the class. He plans to attend Midlands Technical College and continue his knowledge in the machine world. Kyle Rouillard is a senior at Lexington High School enrolled in Project Management. Mr. Sharpe says Kyle is "a motivated and self-driven student that does everything that is asked of him". Kyle plans to attend Midlands Technical College and work for Powell Electric after graduating.



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From Left to Right: Peyton McMahan, Jerrica Hamilton, Hanna Marie Hix, Spencer Leaphart, Ryan Krick, Connor Johnson and LTC Instructor Sandy Dunovan

DECA FIELD TRIP "ESCAPE ROOM"

The Professional Leadership & Development Class conquered the Espionage Room at The Escape Room on Friday, February 3rd. Our class was able to find the "bomb" and diffuse it in 41 minutes! The best time for this room is 39 minutes and we finished in the top 10%. We used this fun activity as a team building exercise for our class.

JT'S MARKETING VISIT

On March 8th, forty eight Lexington Technology Center Marketing Education students visited JT's new Lexington Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram Dealership. JT welcomed each student as they entered his dealership and provided a barbecue lunch catered by Hudson's BBQ.

JT went on to explain how he started off working in the auto industry while going to college and law school. After spending several years working as a prosecutor and



Pictured: Marketing students visiting JT's dealership

then a lawyer in his private practice, he missed the car selling business and wanted back in. An opportunity opened up in Columbia and he took over Dodgeland of Columbia over twenty years ago. JT explained how opening another dealership in Fort Mill, South Carolina was a rushed decision which closed a few years later. He told students to never give up and to trust your employees. In 2011, he bought out Addy Dodge of Lexington and opened a new KIA store in north Columbia. He now has ties to seven dealerships across South Carolina. JT closed with emphasizing that his success is not about him, but his loyal and dedicated employees, some of whom have been with him over twenty years.

DECA

DECA LEADERSHIP

Thirty-three LTC DECA members attended the 74th Annual South Carolina DECA Career Development Conference on March 3-5, 2017. Students competed through testing on the national marketing education standards and role play presentations. Some students also prepared written papers on entrepreneurship, fashion promotion plans and innovative business concepts.

The following students were recognized on stage for their performances:

Top 10 winners:

Dena Albarghsh Cameron Beckum Colby Cain Bradley Folks Yasmine Hill Thomas Walsh Jackson Ward Jerrica Hamilton Peyton McMahan Lexie Marsh Madison O'Brien

5th Place:

Matt Corley Trey Enright Mandy Green Nathan Long

4th Place:

Ashley Barnes Kalie Canady Hannah Elia Josie Pickler Kaci Sarnsamack

3rd Place:

2nd Place:

Sibel Aslaner

Marley Bickley

Amber Cavender

Christen Comer

Holly Hartung

Elaine Rivers

Kevin Shah

1st Place:

Maggie Carpenter Victoria Randolph



Pictured: LTC DECA members

The following students represented LTC and South Carolina DECA in Anaheim, CA in April 2017 for the International Career and Development Conference: Sibel Aslaner, Ashley Barnes, Marley Bickley, Amber Cavender, Christen Comer, Hannah Elia, Holly Hartung, Victoria Randolph, Elaine Rivers and Kaci Sarnsamack.

SKILLSUSA

SKILLSUSA: STATE CONTESTS

SkillsUSA is a partnership of student, teachers and industry professionals working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. All first place winners from SkillsUSA will head to Louisville, KY, June 19-23, 2017 for the 53rd annual National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC), a showcase of career and technical education students. More than 16,000 people — including students, teachers and business partners — are expected to participate in the week long event. Team Works won first place this year in a competition in which they must complete a mock up of a house with framing, wiring, plumping and brickwork.



Pictured: Power Equipment Technology Students

First Place (Gold Medal) Travis Mills - Automotive Service James Shipman - Power Equipment James Phillips - CNC Technician Chris Harrison - Fire Fighting Ryan Tuttle - Architectural Design Daniel Quigley - Technical Drafting

Team Works - Nathan Craps Hogan Hardee Bladimir Ramirez Briar Pope

Second Place (Silver Medal)

Cameron Jones - Collision Repair Clifton Hayes - Cabinetmaking Nash Thornton - Automotive Refinishing Joshua Porter - First Aid/CPR

Third Place (Bronze Medal) Michael Thomas - Automotive Refinishing Chris Sharpe - CNC Turning Evan Lowe - CNC Milling



Pictured: Chris Harrisor



Pictured: Ryan Tuttle



Pictured: Joshua Porter



From Left to Right: Briar Pope, Hogan Hardee, Bladimir Ramirez and Nathan Craps



From Left to Right: Chris Sharpe, James Phillips, Evan Lowe and LTC Instructor Gray Bedenbaugh





From Left to Right: Briana Cain, Carlisa Ancrum, Lexie Marsh, Morgan Gavin, Caroline Beaty, Griffin McMillan, Audra Knight, Jack Farley, Jason Brantley, Andrew Thomason and Marian Gavin

FBLA STATE

At the FBLA State Competition in Charleston, LTC had 7 first place winners. Audra and Lexie wrote a 30 page business plan and presented their plan to judges, winning 1st Place in the Business Plan category. Carlisa, Caroline and Brianna studied and took written tests about accounting, as well as securities and investing, all winning 1st. Marian and Morgan took a test to gain certification in Microsoft Word and other software programs, scoring high enough to go to nationals. Jack, Jason and Andrew competed in Banking and Financial Systems. They were given a business situation and had to come up with a solution and they also took a written test, bringing home another 1st Place award.

These students will be heading to Anaheim California to compete at Nationals June 27 - July 3. We came, we saw, we took home everything! Two other competitors will find out later this month if they won their competitions and advance to Nationals. A huge thanks goes out to Mrs. Kuntz and Mr. Keisler for taking the kids!



From Left to Right: Marian Gavin, Audra Knight and Caroline Beaty Back Row: Briana Cain, Jason Brantley, Jack Farley, Morgan Gavin and Lexie Marsh Not Pictured: Carlisa Ancrum and Andrew Thomason

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

LEXINGTON ONE ROBOTICS

Lexington One's high school robotics teams, hosted by Lexington Technology Center, had a successful inaugural year with two teams qualifying for the SC VEX State Championship which was held on March 11th at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.

In this year's game, Starstruck, alliances of two teams faced off against each other to move stars and cubes to the opposing team's side of the fence. Two Lexington One teams tried their hand at the game in their first competition of the season, the War Hawk Qualifier, on February 11th.

After many rounds of wins and losses for both teams, Metal Gear (Team #29072A), comprised of three White Knoll High School freshmen, Clay Crews, Brace Hutchison, and Ephraim Zimmerman, was the first Lexington One team to qualify for the state competition. Their hard work documenting the design process and engineering methods in their engineering design notebook secured them the second highest VEX competition award, The Design Award.

Four Lexington One VEX Robotics teams went on to compete on February 25th at The Final Countdown VEX Qualifier. Digital Chaos (Team #29072B), comprised of four Lexington Technology Center students, Riley Davis (RBHS), Luke Mondeel (RBHS), Kyle Pelletier (WKHS) and

Brandon Wingard (WKHS), were declared Tournament Champions after a full day of competition earning them the rights to head to the state competition.

The season ended for Digital Chaos and Metal Gear at the SC Palmetto Partners VEX Robotics Competition State Championship where both teams were shy of making it into the playoff competition.







Congratulations to all students who participated this year! Their hard work and dedication was on full display throughout the season.

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FASHION SHOW

The fashion show this year was directed by Hanah Elia with the help of assistant directors Emma Dickerson and Ansley Rogers. Emma was the director of models and Ansley was the director of set. The theme this year was Natures Runway. This theme included fashion trends that would be seen in areas such as the desert, arctic and jungle.

The fashion show was held on St.

Patrick's Day during 1st, 2nd and 3rd block. Also, an after school show was held at 6:30pm for parents and people that could not come to the day shows. The show was a success and so many people came to support the fashion class. Hannah states that "the fashion show was a great opportunity to see how to run a fashion show and grow together as a class".

DONATION PROJECT

This go-kart belongs to Jacob Hare. He has ALL Leukemia. He was diagnosed back in August and is receiving treatment. His dad bought him this go-kart, but it needed some repair. The LTC Power Equipment class replaced the engine clutch and belt while Automotive Collision repainted it olive green. We hope Jacob will get many years of service out of his Army Jeep Go-Kart. Good luck Jacob with your treatments.





LTC CAREER FESTIVAL

YOUR FUTURE IS GOLDEN

The 2nd Annual LTC Career Festival was held on March 23, 2017. This year's event was full of interactive demonstrations, exciting prizes, great food and entertainment. A special thank you to our food sponsors: Salsarita's of Lexington, Maurice's Piggie Park and the Rotary Club of Lexington. Almost 1000 people joined us to learn more about all the programs that Lexington Technology Center has to offer to all high school students in Lexington School District One. We are very grateful for all of the community support we have received for this event. We Look forward to seeing even more of our neighbors at next year's festival!

Congratulations again to all of our elementary and middle school LTC Career Festival Poster Design Contest winners:

4th Grade

5th Grade

7th Grade

Cambria Kraft - WHES

Olivia Abbott - MGES

Lilly K Bryant - MGES

Taylor Christie - WKMS

Preston Wages - WKMS

Brian Lucas - SGES

Anna Cully - MES

Emily Belle Sharpe - FPES

Kindergarten

Abryana Perdicho - MGES Zoe Cartledge - PHES Addison Shealy - RCES

1st Grade Isabella Bissell - LMES Laurel Evans - MGES Anna Grace Wilson - NPES

2nd Grade Ray Berry - FPES Paisley Buchanan - LES Caroline Cully - MES

3rd Grade Sophia Parriott - GES Macy Krick - RCES Zachary Sustar - GES









LTC CAREER FESTIVAL

















COUNSELING 2. ADVISEMENT



From Left to Right: Ami Overcash, School Counselor; Terri Cline, Records Operator; Angela Bonicelli, Secretary and Michele Lucas, Career Specialist

ADVISEMENT

The School Counseling & Advisement Department would like to thank everyone for making the 2016-2017 school year such a success. We would like to wish all of our seniors the very best in their future endeavors and look forward to seeing everyone next year.

Here are a few highlights from a very busy and exciting year:

- We're excited to announce the opening of the College and Career Library located in LTC 401. Resources are available to students for career building, college searches and scholarships.
- LTC students shined at the weekly Rotary Club Breakfasts. Thirteen students were introduced and had the unique opportunity to share their LTC experiences and future plans with area business leaders.
- Students were awarded local, state and national scholarships.
- LTC hosted tours for seven middle schools. All eighth graders across the district were exposed to opportunities on our campus and prepared for their IGP conferences.
- Our students did an excellent job showcasing their LTC program at career fairs. They showed off their public speaking skills and knowledge during presentations.
- We recognized 210 students that were nominated by instructors for Student of the Month! These students receive a LTC shirt and their picture is displayed in the main atrium.
- The National Technical Honor Society inducted 60 members this year. Approximately 1000 community service hours were completed by these outstanding students.
- Congratulations to Monica Larson for winning Student of the Year!

"Map out your future - but do it in pencil. The road ahead is as long as you make it. Make it worth the trip" - Jon Bon Jovi

SUPPORT STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR

JANE CATOE

Congratulations! Mrs. Jane Catoe was recently voted as LTC's Support Staff Member of the Year for 2017!

Mrs. Catoe has been a member of the LTC family for six years. Prior to working at LTC, Mrs. Catoe worked at Lexington High School for 16 years, Carolina Springs Middle School for two and also at South Florence High School and Summerville High School. While at LTC, Mrs. Catoe worked as a secretary in Counseling and Advisement before moving to the front office for the last three years. In describing Mrs. Catoe, Mr. Hearn said, "Jane is such an asset to LTC's front office staff.



She is conscientious, dependable and highly professional. And with her pleasant smile and warm tone, she radiates the perfect first impression for our visitors and guests."

Mrs. Catoe is married to Mr. Art Catoe. They have two married children: Amy and her husband, Neal; and Artie and his wife, Samantha. Amy has two children: Brodie and Mollie. Artie has two children: Jackson and Graydon. Mrs. Catoe spends most of her time outside of school with her family watching the grandchildren play soccer, baseball and football. She also enjoys reading, shopping, westerns and The Walking Dead.

Thank you, Mrs. Catoe, for all your hard work and dedication to LTC and for having a positive impact on the students we serve!



From Front to Back - Digital Art & Design Level 2: Shannon Losk, Shae Byrd, Hayden Ebert, Katie Blackwell, Avery Hinson, Tyler Stokes, Ashley Blackwell, Sean McManus and Isaiah Daley Not Pictured: Brandon Allen

HEARN'S TURN

Notes From Lexington Technology Center Director, Bryan Hearn



As I write these thoughts about second semester at LTC, the calendar has recently turned to May and it's hard to believe the 2016-2017 school year is already winding down. But what a sensational semester it has been! We had student winners, teacher winners, school recognitions and more immediate and extended career opportunities than ever before. But all of these accomplishments were peripheral to what LTC teachers and students do on a daily basis – apply core concepts and past learning experiences to build a 'toolbox' for students' future careers.

Congratulations to our LTC Student of the Year Monica Larson! Thank you Monica for being not only a great ambassador for LTC, but also a leader among your peers and a great role model to younger students. In addition, Austin Hicks and Travis Mills did something unprecedented in South Carolina when they both won Automotive Technology state championships in two different events - Austin in NATEF and Travis in SkillsUSA. Both wins earned LTC's Auto Tech program even

more credibility and a little cash for the program. Also, there were many other LTC students crowned state winners in March and April in FBLA, DECA, HOSA and SkillsUSA. Congratulations to all and good luck at Nationals!

As you hopefully heard a couple months ago, LTC earned (whole school) AdvancED STEM Certification. This is a big deal. LTC truly accomplished this certification 'the hard way' and a luncheon was held on May 2nd to celebrate the achievement. Teachers, parents, students and community business partners were on hand so that we could properly thank them for their support and acknowledge our achievement! As Director, I would like to thank Assistant Director Bryce Myers for leading the effort, Program Manager Rosemary Bianchi for gathering and presenting the information and Curriculum Specialist Anna Reeside for tracking down vital information for the review team. Of course, the root of this recognition can be found in the outstanding instruction of our teachers and their passion for delivering college and career ready students to the community. Thank you all for making this recognition possible!

Seniors, congratulations on your achievements and completing a CTE program of study here at LTC! You have certainly built a legacy of winning in high school and raised the expectation bar a notch for those who will come after you. I sincerely hope that you have enjoyed your time at LTC and will keep in touch with your instructors and me as you move on to work, school, or the military. Good luck - you will be missed!

Returning students, finish this year strong and put together a great plan for your future. In addition to completing one or more pathways, do yourself a favor and see Ms. Lucas in our Counseling and Advisement office for work-based learning (WBL) opportunities. WBL experiences will build your confidence, build your network of employers/ colleagues and build your chance of being employed in the future. I encourage you all to speak with your program instructor, Ms. Overcash (counselor), or me if you have questions about what programs or classes you think you may like to pursue. Have a great, productive summer and contact me at any time - my door is always open!

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Contact these people if you have questions regarding these issues at 100 Tarrar Springs Road, Lexington, SC 29072 and telephone number (803) 821-1000.