

December 2009

12/6	Pistons Night at the Palace – 6:00 p.m.
12/9	Band Concert – 7:00 p.m. (Cafeteria)
12/10	CVHS/IAM Choirs Winter Concert – CVHS – 7:00 p.m.
12/18	Holiday Break begins at the end of the school day.
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A Shakespearean Visit

On Monday, November 16, nine artists from the Shakespeare Festival of Stratford visited the IAM to work with our students. This visit was a pleasant result of last year's trip to Stratford. Actors were so impressed by our students that they contacted us about the workshop opportunities. These professionally trained actors taught the ninth graders stage combat and worked with sophomores on character analysis and development for Arthur Miller's, *The Crucible*. The actors concluded their day by inservicing drama students on character analysis, line interpretation, blocking and stage combat by rehearsing scenes from Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* and *King Lear*. Once again, we're very pleased to report that our students enjoyed an outstanding enrichment experience, and the visiting artists enjoyed a wonderful day with our young men and women.

IAM Shines

In the spirit of the season, students have conducted successful food drives, donated *new* kids socks and underwear for Turning Point, visited hospitals, and sent over 150 Christmas cards to a dying child.

In the spirit of conserving our resources, Student Council has initiated a school- wide recycling program. Our various clubs are exploring ways in which to make a difference in our school, our community and, indeed, our world.

We're celebrating the twelve school days before Christmas, not with a partridge in a pear tree, or two turtle doves or three golden rings, but with cuddly stuffed puppies representing "Friends for all Seasons."

Our International-Mindedness

Kate Rebholz, from the Foreign Service Office, provided our students the extraordinary opportunity to see Indonesia through the eyes of a civil servant. Kate became interested in working overseas after spending a year in studies abroad after college. As a young woman, she has been surprised by the opportunities she has experienced, including writing policy papers that influence Indonesian and US relationships and writing a speech for our Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton. After her presentation, many students commented that they viewed working in a profession overseas in a whole new light.

The International Club has planned a cultural extravaganza that will be Heritage Day Two, on Tuesday, December 8. Students are invited to give a presentation on their heritage and to enjoy snacks in the company of their classmates

It's That Time of Year Again

The International Academy of Macomb will be closed when the Chippewa Valley School District is closed due to inclement weather. Students should listen to local radio stations or TV stations for the announcement that "Chippewa Valley School District is closed." If a student's sending school district and/or transporting districts are closed, but the IAM is open, parents should decide if it is safe for the student to travel to the IAM. If the family determines that it is not safe to travel to the IAM, the parent must call in the absence to the attendance office at 586.723.7299. The absence will be marked as exempted and not counted toward the cap of allowable absences. Students should check Blackboard for assignments.

2010/2011 School Year

We are beginning the process of enrolling students for the graduating class of 2014 at the IAM. Information nights for prospective applicants and their parents will be held in the Cafeteria at the IAM on January 12, 13, and 14 at 7:00 p.m. The deadline for all applicants will be Friday, February 5, 2009. Testing will be held on February 24 and 27. The International Academy of Macomb High School provides excellent educational opportunities for all motivated students.

I.D. Badges...Who are You?

Please remind your students to bring their ID badges to school each day and to wear them at all times during school.

Dress for Success

The international Academy of Macomb takes pride in its students and expects they will dress in attire that reflects the high quality of the program. Students should dress for success with a focus on business casual. No "questionable" attire should be considered.

A Joyous Holiday

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a beautiful holiday season, in the company of loving family members and friends.

*The International Academy of Macomb
Instrumental Music Department
proudly presents...*

A Winter Concert

*Date: Wednesday 12/9/09
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: I.A.M. Cafetorium*

Featuring:

***The I.A.M. Guitar Ensemble
&
The I.A.M. Symphonic Band***

Under the Direction of Adam T. Kosi II

ADMISSION IS FREE!

