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Evergreen High School Chapter of National Honors Society



The Evergreen High School chapter of National Honors Society (NHS) held their 2009 Induction Ceremony on Monday, November 2nd. The ceremony was opened by the staff advisor, Mr. Bill Blanchong, welcoming new inductees and family members to the proceedings. NHS student speakers included President Kyle Pierce, Vice President Nate Hess, Secretary/Treasurer Sam Parker, Reporter Rachel Ruth, along with Senior members Kate Fauble and Kelsey O'Neil.

The student speakers explained the process of selection using the Four Pillars of NHS which are Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. Other Senior NHS members that welcome the inductees are Chris Bearer, Derek Biggers, Blair Bohland, Nick Carr, Jessie Curtis, Tiffany Dowling, Katie Eckles, Matt Fischer, Michael Fischer, Ashley Jones, Heidi Lucarelli, Nicole Riebe, Katie Smallman, and Kay Zahner.

Students with a 3.4 grade point average to be invited to apply for the National Honors Society. Twenty-six students were selected to be inducted at the ceremony. The inductees' participation included lighting of their individual candle symbolizing the eternal light of knowledge and reciting the NHS pledge, led by President Kyle Pierce. The new members then received a National Honors Society Certificate and Pin before signing the membership book. Mr. Mark Basilius, Principal of Evergreen High School, congratulated the new members on their diligence to reach this level of success.

The new NHS members, alphabetically, are Dakota Bick, Natalie Brock, Chase Cox, Kelsey Ducat, Tyler Good, Sarah Istefan, Ashley Kurtz, Marissa Lumbrez, Shannon Mack, Sarah Meyer, Sam Mosiniak, Mariah Moyers, Lucas Pennington, Kelsey Pierce, Colleen Pinkelman, Mackenzie Pinkelman, Jody Schwyn, Cole Shaffer, Alex Shock, Mary Silvestri, Crystal Sturt, Tess Sutter, Amy Szabo, and Kristin Wilson.

A Sisters' Holiday Tradition



Naomi and Monica Taylor have begun a tradition together. It all began in 2007 when they auditioned at The Toledo Repertoire Theatre for "A Christmas Carol". Both sisters were chosen for the children's chorus and performed at the Stranahan.

In 2008 they were selected for "A Christmas Carol The Musical" at the historic Crosswell Opera House in Adrian, performing in numerous acting, singing, and dancing roles in the nonstop musical.

This past December, the sisters were back with the Toledo Rep at the Stranahan. They were both happy to be chosen for the adult chorus in "A Christmas Carol". The sisters were excited to be performing again in the Dicken's classic story, and pleased that each year has brought new and different roles for them to bring to life.

Naomi is a freshman at Evergreen High School and Monica is in 8th grade at Evergreen Middle School. Bill and Jeannie Taylor of Delta are their parents. They dedicated their performance to their grandparents Glenn and Alice Brooks and the late Norman and Mary Taylor.

Three years for ChE: Ashenfelter sweeps design competition

ANGOLA, Ind.—Trine University's McKetta Department of Chemical & Bioprocess Engineering made it three wins in the past four years when Trine student Brian Ashenfelter swept all the top awards at the 2009 American Institute of Chemical Engineering (AIChE) National Student Design Competition. Ashenfelter presented his design at the AIChE annual meeting and was recognized for his accomplishments at its awards dinner Nov. 8 in Nashville, Tenn.

Ashenfelter's design was selected the overall winner of the competition, earning the A. McLaren White Award. It also won the Safety and Chemical Engineering (SACHE) Walt Howard award for an individual best application of process safety for a 2008 design contest solution and the Safety and Health Division Design Award for the best individual utilization of the principles of inherent safety in the 2009 AIChE student contest problem.

His design, detailed in a 120-page report, recorded a process by which a bio-fuel can be produced by making butanol from corn. The design competition began in the 1930s, and is the defining national contest for chemical engineering, said Dr. John Wagner, chair of the McKetta Department.

"A Trine student has won design for three of four years and safety three of four years, and we got both awards this year," Dr. Wagner said. "This pulls together all of our curriculum, so it shows Brian assimilating all of his years of study and thinking outside the box to take on a design he's unfamiliar with. It's a nice feather in his cap."

"This is a remarkable accomplishment for Brian, our chemical engineering faculty, and any faculty member who taught Brian at Trine," said Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. David Finley. "At the undergraduate level, we have consistently demonstrated that we provide a better education than any chemical engineering program in the country."

Wagner, all seniors in Trine's chemical engineering class, chemical engineering technician Michael Imboden and Dr. Majid Salim of the department attended the AIChE awards and annual meeting.



PARADE OF LIGHTS!

The Village of Metamora will again sponsor a Parade of Lights to celebrate the Holiday season on Sunday, December 6, 2009 with the parade starting at 5:00 p.m. Use your imagination and submit a lighted entry for the parade. You can illuminate cars, tractors, trucks, wagons, floats, fire trucks or ?????? Santa will be in attendance and kids of all ages will be able to have a picture taken with Santa. The Village Christmas tree will be lighted and refreshments will be available.

You may submit your parade entry by calling the Village office at 419-644-2051, picking up an entry form at many local businesses, or email cegpggeer@aol.com.

New this year - 2009 - any house with Christmas lights on Saturday Dec. 5 will receive a coupon good for a hot dog and pop next summer at the Community Park! Watch for more details!

We hope you will join us for this special and unique event.

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