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HHS Calendar

Dates to remember for March:

March 15 - Parent/Teacher conferences.

March 16 - No classes.

March 19-23 - Spring break.

March 30 - Snow Day makeup.

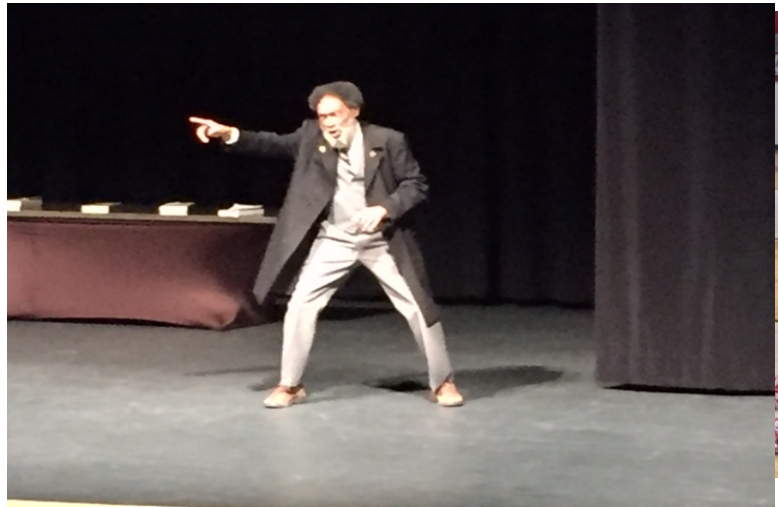
'Math Day' held

Students in grades 9-11 participated in a "Math Day" on the Hope High School campus on Feb. 14.

Judee Gunter, math specialist and instructional facilitator, said the day-long program involved "hands on" activities. "All students in grades nine through 11 participate by rotating through stations led by students in Dr. Zechariah Hurdle's 'Math for Teachers II' class at Southern Arkansas University," Gunter said. "They do hands-on activities designed to show our students that math can be interesting and engaging."

Math station activities included practical applications of rational and irrational numbers; math in engineering; geometry theory; probabilities theory; and money math.

"Our students see college



Black History Month at HHS

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and recognizes the central role of blacks in U.S. history. The event grew out of "Negro History Week," the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated February as Black History Month. The Black History Month, 2018, theme, "African Americans in Times of War," marks the 100th anniversary of World War I and honors the roles that black Americans have played in warfare, from the American Revolution to the present day.

Charles Everett Pace brought his portrayal of former slave and abolitionist champion Frederick Douglass to HHS students in a presentation at Hempstead Hall on the University of Arkansas-Hope campus that recalls the Emancipation Proclamation, the incorporation of Black soldiers into the Union Army, and the passage of the 15th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution, giving Black men the right to vote.

Sergeant Carlo Montero Robinson

Continuing this theme, we will honor some of our own HHS alumni, such as Sgt. Carlo Montero Robinson a 1993 graduate. On Jan. 17, 2009, SGT Robinson's patrol was hit by a suicide bomber while he was serving in Afghanistan, and he was killed in the line of duty.



Command Sergeant Major Rickey Gulley



We will also recognize Hope native Rickey Gulley, who was a 1998 Hope High School graduate, and was recently named as Command Sergeant Major in active duty in the Army National Guard. Gulley’s graduating class will celebrate their 20th Reunion in October.

Gulley now age 38, said there were good times at Hope High School in the late 1990s for student-athletes. He played small forward for Coach Sam Bradford’s Hope basketball team, and he was also Class President and a member of National Honor Society.

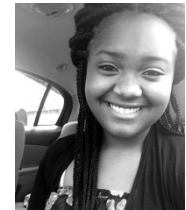
Vilma Espinoza



Vilma Espinoza was named to the National Honor Society of Leadership and Success at Southern Arkansas University. In her short time in college, Vilma has become involved in a number of activities on SAU’s campus. She is a member of the President’s Ambassadors, the Student Advisory Board, is a Mulerider Round-Up Leader, a Leadership Academy Leader, and a BAM (Becoming a Mulerider) Leader. She also works in the human resources office at SAU. Vilma is a marketing major at the Rankin College of Business at Southern Arkansas University, and she expects to graduate from SAU in August.

Nyla Muldrew

Nyla Muldrew was nominated for academic excellence and recognized as a delegate for the State of Arkansas representing Hope High School at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders of America hosted at Harvard University in Boston Massachusetts.



Orenthal Monk



Our special alumni highlight this month goes to Orenthal Monk who is a Master Chef. He was a member of the 1993 graduating class. He was inspired to become a chef by his mother, the late Robbie Monk, who worked as a chef in local restaurants and hotel chains before retiring as the lead chef of a retirement home.

“She thought that it was important that I learned to cook and took every opportunity to ensure that I was learning some of the knowledge that she’d gained over her career span. She called it ‘survival skills’, knowing that her son would not starve as long as he knew the basics of cooking 101,” he said. He enrolled in Johnson County Community College (JCCC) in Overland Park, Kansas, in Fall 2010. This was an accredited program under the American Culinary Federation (ACF) with great teachers and an awesome curriculum. “Great instructors such as Felix Sturmer, that saw something in me and took me under his wings,” he said.

After a year of extra work and staying after class to gain knowledge, Felix told him of a fundraiser event and that an old friend of his was coming into the city to head this event. He later told him that this friend was celebrity chef Wolfgang Puck. The introduction gave Orenthal the chance to work alongside Chef Puck for a few days, and get a glimpse of what the life of a celebrity chef is like, and how hard Orenthal must work to someday reach this status.

After graduating from culinary school as a Certified Sous Chef (CSC), Orenthal became Executive Business Car Chef for Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF), a company that is owned and operated by Warren Buffett. In this position, he has traveled the country and prepared meals for some of the world’s most influential leaders and popular events.

He credits his successes to hard work, determination, and a great support team. His future endeavors include owning a bar & grill restaurant in the Kansas City area. His advice to anyone wanting to attend culinary school is to enroll in a solid program in our area, to stay focused and to take all opportunities to do extra work on projects, help set up supplies for classroom instructions, and go into this eager to learn; aim high and become the boss.

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