

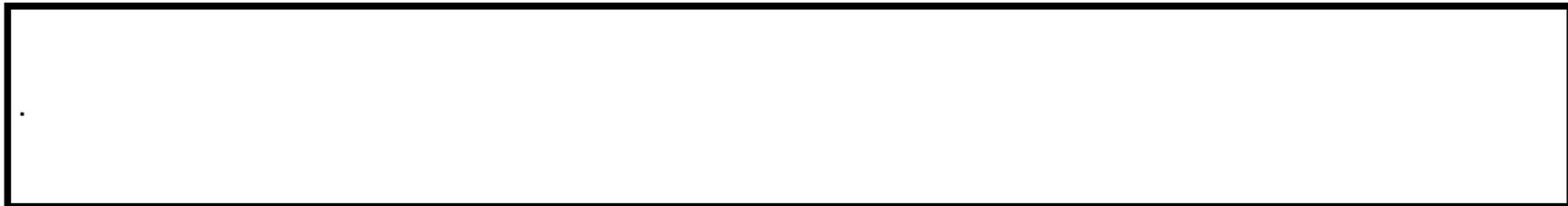
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## 2013 Fordson Talent Show

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The Talent Show on May 17, 2013 was definitely one to be remembered. Although the trademark hosts were missing, the acts filled in the gap with exceptional talent. It began with fancy lights and a guest performance given by Mr. Sion; he had the audience on their feet by the end of his number. He then introduced the next act, the Fordson Jazz Choir singing a Bruno Mars medley. The choir set the scene with their melodic voices and “jazz hands.” Six singing acts were included in the show, including seniors Jakylia Johnson (singing “Half of Me”) and Amina Halwani (singing a medley of hit songs) who both gave captivating performances with their blooming talent. Chanel McCrimon, singing “Talking to the Moon,” and Sirena Eldirawi, singing “Stay” and “Diamonds,” each gave a performance that proved their potential. Deena Atoui sparked the stage with an impressive cover of “Girl on Fire.” Linda Karem came back with another belly dancing act and I must say that this year was much classier than the last; her act was well-rehearsed and refined and still had half the audience sitting up straight. Freshman Ali Sarieni wowed the crowd as he sang “Big City Dreams” and played guitar. The performance definitely raised the bar on potential.

Third place went to Oussama Ajerd with his Magic Card Act. He warmed the hearts of the audience as he told a story about his late grandmother using the cards. It was quite impressive and provided a nice change from all the musical talent on stage. Second place went to Kamal Mohamed and his dancing skills. Although repetitive, he danced as if cables replaced his bones. His ending was dramatic and he gave a performance worthy of second place. First place went to the triple threat of the night, Adil “Auto” Nasser. He played a self-composed piece on the piano, rapped an original work, and danced the show to an end. The surprise finale was pretty much mind-blowing as Adil called up former dance partner Luai Fakhoury as well as Kamal Mohamed for another dance performance. Their finale summed up a spectacular night. It was an awesome ending to the year. And a special shout-out from Adil Nasser to his fans: he loves you all! Have a wonderful summer.

### Seniors

Every senior has built long lasting memories throughout their years here at Fordson and there are many things they admit that will be missed, here are a few of them in their own words:



Ghada Bazzi's favorite high school memory is "Seeing Mr. Mosallam get pied at Relay For Life and beating Dearborn High in playoff basketball after losing to them twice in the regular season." She says she will miss "Sports and my teachers, hopefully they dont forget me!"

Sikne Mansour's favorite memory from high school is "Playing sports and beating Dearborn in basketball". She will miss "Being a part of team sports and waiting for spring to come around for softball!"

Ibtihal Makki says she enjoyed her "Senior skip day" and she says that she will miss Amal Choucair the most.

Class President Mohamed Alqamoussi favorite high school memory is "Winning the race for class president" and he says he will miss his "Friends and the Fordson family the most."

Amal Choucair

# Fordson Updates

## GIRLS SOFTBALL

By: Amal Choucair

The tractors softball team has four seniors that will bid a farewell to their softball careers at the close of this season. These young ladies have led the charge throughout the season with their leadership and experience. While displaying their fearlessness on the field, they have braved the storm of the year and taken strides along with the rest of the team. Captains Amal Choucair and Sikne Mansour continue to show resiliency on the field while manning the shortstop and first base position along with Ibtihal Makki. Makki returned for her last season in the circle putting in a solid effort every outing. First year varsity senior Amani Mustafa also contributed to the tractors season as she brought steady offense and strong defensive play at second base. Freshmans Noor Moussa and Diala Elhallak are delightful surprises to this season's team along with second year varsity junior Jana Berro who will be looked at to lead the team in years to come. The tractors will take on Lincoln Park in their district game.



## FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE 2013

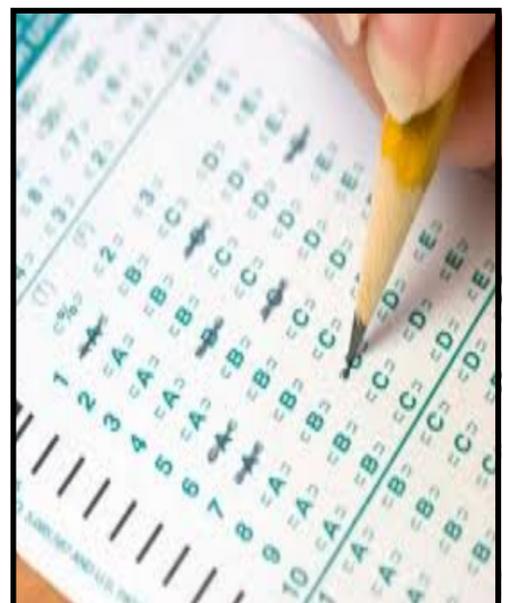
Tuesday, June 11	Wed-June 12	Thursday, June 13
1 <sup>st</sup> hour Exam (90 min) 7:20-8:50	3 <sup>rd</sup> hour Exam (90 min) 7:20-8:50	5 <sup>th</sup> hour Exam (90 min) 7:20-8:50
Break (10 min)	Break (10 min)	Break (10 min)
2 <sup>nd</sup> hour Exam (90 min) 9:00-10:30	4 <sup>th</sup> hour Exam (90 min) 9:00-10:30	6 <sup>th</sup> Exam (90 min) 9:00-10:30

Dismissal will be at 10:30.

There will be no lunches served on these days.

### NHS Blood Drive-2013

On Thursday, May 23rd, Fordson's National Honor Society (NHS) had another successful Blood Drive. Faculty and students are to be commended for their participation in this year's event. NHS expects to put on another blood drive in the fall.





**Spotlight on The International Club**

**By Essam Aljahmi**

The International Club finished another successful year here at Fordson. The club met every Friday in room A-109 and discussed topics such as countries and cultures. Members were required to present a country and culture of their choosing to help develop a better understanding. Members enjoyed themselves and had fun and ate food from their country/culture that was presented. Not only did the International Club discuss culture and countries, but they helped out the community by working with Gleaners. Gleaners is a community food bank that supplies food to those who are less fortunate. The International Club is lead by Ms.Mikulak and is looking forward to yet another successful year in the fall.



**LET'S MEET MR. HOLMES**

By: Linda Tiguert



Mr. Holmes has dedicated his time, for many years, to ensure the safety of Fordson High school students. "My job here is to make sure everyone is safe, and to make everyone feel safe. Also, to help administrators so that Fordson achieves a better place," said Mr. Holmes during his interview. Questions that I have asked are:

**What led you to work here at Fordson?**

I was born in Florida but raised in Michigan. After being in the military for four years, I went to college in New York to pursue a career in law but then came back to Michigan. I had four kids, one of them in high school, and I quit my job as a private investigator to look after him. Sense I was helping out my son, I decided why not help others also?

**What is the most rewarding experience you have had on the job?**

The most rewarding experience is to see the students grow, mature, then eventually graduate. I have had pleasure helping students realize their full potentials and bring the best out of them.

**How would you describe yourself?**

I am a humanitarian and disciplinarian. I care about people so much and with me, everything has its place.

**Favorite Quote?**

"Your reap, what you sow." It means, you get what you give.

**Any hobbies, favorite color, etc.?**

My hobbies are photography, reading and cooking. I love to cook big meals for Thanksgiving and Christmas. My favorite colors are black and grey.

It was a pleasure interviewing Mr.Holmes. He truly cares about people, their safety, and Fordson High school. He is one of many great people in Fordson High school that helps to ensure the success of students.

## I'll Be Telling You For The Last Time

By: Alex Zapien

Congratulations on your graduation,  
 Opening a door not easily reached!  
 Now go through it: on the other side  
 Great mountains become hills, and then just fields  
 Rolling eastward toward a rising sun.  
 All that's left now is success and celebration,  
 The music of deeds done and barriers breached.  
 Underneath, uncertainties still glide  
 Lean and hungry as the sweet day yields,  
 And golden moments through your fingers run.  
 The rock on which you stand is your creation,  
 Illustrating what your teachers so lovingly preached  
 Of learning and the provenance of pride.  
 Nor need you fear the wind, as knowledge shields  
 Such as to earn it from what storms may come.

## Fordson's Courtyard Moving Along

Plans are moving forward to complete the Fordson Courtyard by the end of this school year. This is your last chance to purchase a brick in order to become a part of this project. Brick orders will be accepted through June 13, 2013. After a long winter, our volunteer landscape coordinator began further preparation last weekend and will be organizing student assistance between now and the end of the school year to complete this project.

Below we have included pictures of the current courtyard progress and will be sending updates as the work continues to those who have purchased bricks and are on our group mailing list. Also, we have included donation forms for anyone interested in purchasing a commemorative brick.

Thank you to all for your interest and shared enthusiasm!



### 2013-14 Key Club Board Members Nominated

The following Key Club members were voted in for the 2013-2014 school year. Congratulations to all who were voted in.

- President: Mohammed Kurdi
- Vice President: Ali Zriek and Mohammed Abdulghani
- Secretary: Lydia Tiguert
- Treasurer: Zeinab Berry
- Bulletin Editor: Zahra Ahmed

# National History Day Presentation



On April 27th we had our statewide competition at Saginaw Valley State University. There was a total of 401 teams competing, and from our division (Senior group exhibit) only two out of 13 make it to nationals. Unfortunately we didn't make it but the team was commended highly for their beautiful presentation and eloquent interviews. I wanted to share pictures with you on how the display came out to be. And again, special thanks to Mrs. Curtis and Mr. Eckert without whom the boat couldn't have been built to such perfection.

The project will be displayed in the lower A hall showcase by Tuesday if you would like to come see it up close.