



GOOD THINGS HAPPENING IN TAYLOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER FINANCIAL AID

The 2023 graduating class has been awarded a total of over **4 MILLION DOLLARS** in financial aid to pursue their dreams. The Taylor Alumni Association extends congratulations to the graduates, counselors, and staff of Taylor High School for all the efforts needed to achieve that impressive amount of aid. Your Taylor Public Schools Foundation Scholarship Committee received scholarship applications from over 50 graduates and awarded over \$42,000 to 39 graduates.



Two students, Emma Jones and Gabriel Gondek, were awarded scholarships funded by Taylor Public School Alumni.

Emma graduated with a 3.75 grade point average while taking advanced placement classes. Her career goal is to be a Trauma or Surgical Nurse.

Amazing – Emma recorded perfect attendance in Kindergarten through Grade 12.

Gabriel has been accepted at Eastern Michigan University where he plans on majoring in Zoology. For two summers he volunteered at the Toledo Zoo. At the zoo he was a Certified Interpretive Guide certified by the National Association for Interpretation. He was in the band program all 4 years and the section leader of trumpets. He is currently a member of the world-class marching band, “LSM Winds”.

TAYLOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

The foundation scholarship was awarded to Carmicita ReyesGarza. Carmicita will be studying Computer Science at WC3 with a goal of becoming a “Web Designer”. She has been very active in school activities, Student Counsel, National Honor Society, Students Leading Students, and Link Crew. Her interest in politics goes back to 2013 when her brother, age 19, ran for city council so he could ...*continued on page 2*

continued from page 1... see positive change in a city he knew and loved. She volunteered on many political campaigns, such as Alex Garza, Jill Brandana, and Angela Croft. Carmicita also maintained perfect attendance.

The Foundation Scholarship Committee thanks all the Alumni, Staff and Friends of Taylor Public Schools for contributing the funds that made it possible to help 36 students to reach their goals. They would like to have sufficient funds to help so many more students in need of financial assistance. The committee is asking you to consider establishing a scholarship in your name or donating to the Foundation scholarship fund. You only need to send an email to the Alumni Association indicating you would like to donate, and you will get a prompt response on how easy it is to be a donor. The email address is: TAYLORALUMNIASSOCIATION@YAHOO.COM

ATHLETES MOVING ON TO PARTICIPATE IN COLLEGE



Selena Jones, Griffin Touchdown Club President, informed us that 7 football players from this year's team are going to be playing for college teams. *Your Alumni Staff think this is the largest number to be offered by colleges!*

Laurent Dounamou	Ferris State
Braylen Thomas	Adrian
Dominic Demeo	Adrian
Casper Faulker	Adrian
Shawn Travis	Adrian
Terell Douangchanths	Hocking CC
Jovaughn Smith	Hocking CC

UNIFIED SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Taylor Public School District hosted its 2nd annual Day at the Sportsplex. The event consisted of over 400 athletes who were a mix of special education and general education students. They joined each other on the same team to participate in several events to model unity, teamwork, and inclusivity. Some of the events included table-top bowling, cornhole, ball throw and volleyball.

New this year, the day took place at the Taylor Sportsplex. This offered students a climate-controlled environment to enjoy all the activities.

Aside from the events, students could watch a magic show, get their face painted, explore the Sportsplex and more.

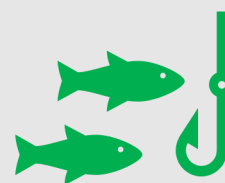


IN THE NEWS

Da'Stanza Murphy, JFK 2006, is headed for Las Vegas. After being Crowned Miss Michigan for America Strong in Plainwell Mi May 6, 2023, she will be competing for the national title in Vegas this coming August.

TAYLOR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CONTEST PROMOTING MEMBERSHIPS AND OBTAINING DATA INFORMATION

THE WINNER—LORI DeCHATEAU IRWIN, TCH 1974 won a half day of fantastic fishing provided by FISH WARS CHARTERS, donated by owner Captain Greg Warsaw, JFK 69. Our thanks to Captain Greg and look forward to seeing pictures of a great outing.



JFK WALK THROUGH

Superintendent, Griff Mills arranged a final walk thru for the Taylor Alumni Association. May 15 Alumni Association President, Caroline Patts, completed a tour of JFK designating items to be given to the Alumni Association for use in the proposed Museum.



OBITUARIES

The Alumni Association members would like to extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the former classmates mentioned below. You will forever be in our thoughts and prayers. Please Note: If you know of a deceased graduate that is not listed in the Memoriam section of our website, please let us know the name, school, graduating class and date of passing.

TAYLOR CENTER HIGH SCHOOL

- Lowell Stinehart, Class of 1957 (passed November 29, 2021)
- Ferda Amenson Stinehart, Class of 1958 (passed March 4, 2023)
- Joseph Kulik, Class of 1971 (passed April 28, 2023)
- Ken Rich, Class of 1973 (passed March 28, 2023)
- Michelle Sharon Collins, Class of 1981 (passed April 16, 2023)
- James Tittle, Class of 1986 (passed April 27, 2023)

JOHN F KENNEDY

- Judith Signs Zukowski, Class of 1968 (passed April 14, 2023)
- Jesse Schroth, Class of 1980 (passed May 10, 2023)
- Lee Owens, Class of 1984 (passed February 27, 2023)
- Sally Swanson, Class of 1984 (passed May 16, 2023)
- Timothy Green, Class of 2015 (passed April 12, 2023)

STAFF

- William Hicks, Elementary Teacher 36 years (passed April 19, 2023)

For more information about the deceased and their families, please visit tayloralumni.org and click on "In Memoriam".