

The Perfect Prom *Roses & Glamour*



Prom Queen: Kiara Davis
Prom King: Aaron Shapiro



by Areeba Aslam

Prom season is over, and what a great one it was! Saturday night of May 13th was a busy one, starting at seven that night. The theme of *Glamour and Roses* was a hit, with everyone dressed in glamorous gowns and suits. Senior Advisor, Mrs. Olsen said that the students looked better than any year before.

About 10:30PM crowns went to Prom King, Aaron Shapiro and Prom Queen, Kiara Davis. After the crowning ceremony students danced the night away at the River Center, to music from the DJ, Roger of *The Scene*.

About 500 students attendd Prom this year. The night was one not to be forgotten



Picnic on the Plaza a great event

To help celebrate Central's 150th Anniversary, Transforming Central hosted a Picnic on the Plaza on Thursday, May 18th, to show off the new completed plaza and introduce the photography of Chris Faust which are now mounted on the exterior walls of Central. The photos show some of Central's rich history combined with contemporary photos of similar events and groups.

Principal Mary Mackbee was honored by the St. Paul City Council with a proclamation declaring May 18th as "Mary Mackbee Day" in St. Paul. The outdoor classroom on the plaza was officially dedicated to Mackbee.

The Central Chambers Singers performed. Music was also provided by a Jazz Quartet from Walker West and individual performances by local musicians Lucy Michelle and Martin Devaney. Over 300 people attended.



Lisa Heyman of Transforming Central introduces Chris Faust who talked about his photographs now on Central's walls.



Principal Mckbee receives proclamation of May18th "Mary Mackbee Day"

Upcoming Senior Events

Senior Honors Night

May 25th

Immersion Day

May 26th

Sr. Hush Day

(no talking to underclassmen)

May 30th

Hug-a-Senior Day

May 31st

Passports

May 31st

Senior Picnic

June 1st

Sr. Walk Out

June 2nd

Grand Old Day Parade

June 4th

Graduation

June 7th 8:00 PM
(7:30 AM – rehearsal)

Central to be part of Grand Old Day Parade

Mackbee to be Grand Marshall

As a finale to its 150th Year celebration Central will march in the annual Grand Old Day Parade June 4th.

Central groups and organizations can march with the Central band and float. See Mr. Schlukieber to get your group registered in the parade.

Individuals can just show up to be included. Wear red & black.

Parade line-up will be 8:15 AM at Grand Ave. and Dale.. Parade begins at 9:00AM. A free shuttle bus will operate along Summit Ave.

Principal Mary Mackbee will be the parade's Grand Marshall.

Dance Showcase a winner !



The Dancers

A marvelous dance showcase on May 4th, was presented by Dr. Karen Palmen and Emily Gill. All beginning, intermediate and IB dance students participated and showed their amazing skills.

Before the performance, some backstage dancers were nervous, some of them were experiencing their first stage performance and many were experiencing backstage jitters.. It was a really good show. The choreography was excellent. The practices, paid off for this spectacular show.



Student Council selects Ex Board for 2017-2018

by Cassie DeVries

Central's Student Council met up Thursday May 4th to elect the new Board of Executives that will be working together in the coming year on dances, fundraisers, and the well being of the school.

All seven positions on the board were filled with students ranging from freshmen to juniors. The General Council is to be initiated on May 25th, but there are still spots to be filled. Student Council welcomes students of all grades to participate and get involved with the coming year of events.

Congratulations to the new Board members on Student Council.

Emily Pech, as Student Council President,

Birdy Xiong as Vice President, (not-pictured)

Cassie DeVries as Secretary,

Amanda Son as Treasurer,

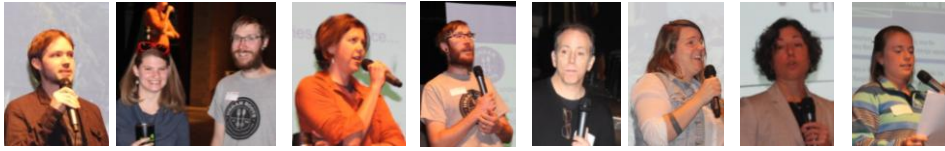
Rachel Blesi with School Climate,

MaiSoua Vang with Community Service,

Mayra Moreno-Arias with Public

Relations.

Be on the lookout for next year's exciting events and fundraisers!



On Friday, April 28, Roots & Shoots hosted their 7th annual Earth Day Extravaganza! They assembled a variety of environmental presentations each period in the auditorium, featuring representatives from various organizations. It was a great opportunity for students to learn about the environment and how they can be involved.



Presentations included;

City of Saint Paul presented their *GreenCorps* program: Bridging the gap between a school environment and the professional world

Urban Roots: *Urban Nature, Not an Oxymoron* – showed “How You Can Get Involved”

Capitol Region Watershed District gave tours of the new storm system outside on the Central Plaza. They also presented a video about water quality management.

Friends of the Mississippi discussed *Water Quality of the Mississippi*

Eureka Recycling presented “What is Zero Waste?”

Alex Klass, Harvard and U of M Environmental Law Professor, spoke about “How Will Environmental and Energy Policy Change Under the New Administration?”

:Save the Boundary Waters discussed what the proposed sulfide-ore copper mines mean for NE Minnesota?

French students win awards

2017 National French Exam State and National Winners from St. Paul Central are:

National Winners

Elise Hannum
Giovana Sarmiento
Lily Lampros
Zophia Dadlez
May Garvey
Sophie Le Meur
Simon Grow-Hanson
Audrey Le Meur
Norah Guitard
Peter Exely
Eva Neira
Cali Rivera
Caroline Norman
Carmen Crutchfield
Hope McKnight
Frances Zigmund
Jasper Zarkower

State of Minnesota Winners

June Ofstedal
Abigail Fritz
Helen Leach
Elena Newhouse
Nick Dawkins
Sophie Gallandat
Mariah Banas
Panos Delton
Zoltán Lohse
Molly Dadlez
Addison Keely
Victoria Garvey
Megan Stephenson
Valerie Bares
Leo Remke-Rochard
Zipporah Cohen
Andrew Tisell
Oscar Fortoso

Tennessee Wacek
Katia Tesarczyk
Peter Gavriyuk
Ben Bushnell
Owen McCready
Nathan Orts
Ulysses Zigmund
Mika Folstad
Henry Tieder
Thomas Jones
Sebastian Williamson
Dinah Lampros
John Ofstedal
Helen Tieder
Olivia Zindren
Sophie Fried
Melissa Elmer
Lily Mitzel
Aline Saveraid
Marybelle Kim

On April 27, 67 of Central’s French students participated in *A Vous la Parole*, Minnesota’s oral French competition. Of those, 51 received blue ribbons (top honors), 13 received red ribbons and three received white ribbons..

Central was verywell represented. It was a great year at *A Vous la Parole*.

Zoe Klass-Warch is Athena Award Winner

Sport: Tennis

5 varsity letters 5 All-Conference Awards
2013 Sectional Doubles Champion, 2016 Sectional Singles Champion, 2016 Team Captain
Undefeated to the MSHSL State Tourny- 2016
Ranked #1 in MN for graduating class 2017 by tennisrecruiting.net. Achieved National Ranking of 135 in 2017 by tennisrecruiting.net

Volunteer Community Participation:

Animal Humane Society, Tennis Instructor to children and adults, Neighborhood House
Raised & released over 100 monarch butterflies

Scholastic Achievements:

A Honor Roll all semester of high school
Ranked in top 5% of graduating class all 4 years of H.S.
Undergraduate Honors in English, Chemistry, and Math



Zoe in action.
Central’s 2017 Athena Award winner

Top Ten Underclassmen honored at Awards Night

Freshmen Top Ten(+)

Riaz Kelly
Marybell Kim
William Blackwell Kinney
Hope McKnight
Lily Mitzel
Sophia Rabins
Cali Rivera
Hanna Saveraid
Max Walker
Martha Young
Ulysses Zigmund

Sophomore Top Ten

Zipporah Cohen
Kade Hagen
William Hintz
Rosalie Kurtz
Audrey Le Meur
Sophie Le Meur
Eva Neira
Leah Rivera
Clara Schilder-Manning
Mikhalina Solakhava

Junior Top Ten

Emma Bearss
Eleanor Casement
Frances Cerkvenik
Madeline Farber
Elise Hannum
Lillian Lampros
Helen Leach
Charis Lee
Alena Oxenham
Daniella Torres-Skendi

CONGRATULATIONS !

Central musicians and singers named to All-State Music Ensemble

SATB CHOIR

Will Benjamin, tenor

SA CHOIR

Emma Bearss, soprano

TB CHOIR

Soren Malm, tenor

JAZZ BAND

Nate Fleming, trumpet

Victor Imbo, trombone

Sam Liska, trumpet

ORCHESTRA

Elizabeth Bergmann, violin

Benjamin Dech, percussion

May Garvey, viola

Owen McCready, bass

Alena Oxenham, violin

Seniors awarded Seal of Bilingualism

Two Central Seniors - Niman Obsiye and Ibrahim Abdulkadir – received the Seal of Bilingualism in Somali. Actually, Ibrahim Abdulkadir is receiving it in Somali, Spanish, and Portuguese



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Central’s National Spanish Exam Award Winners

Primo de Oro

Amanda Son
Mary Ostergren
Michalina Solakhava
Joseph Walbran
Ibrahim Abdulkadir
Premio de Plata
Alice Lesch
Elizabeth Parra
Blanca Vergara
Solomon Currie Ickes
Leah Rivera
Irene Sullivan
Sophie Wharton
Sofie Hokanson

Premio de Bronce

Ahleah Harris
Sylvia Doerr
Hailey Martin
Lucienne Mccallum
Lucky Vang
Annika Tuma
Nathan Schultz
Ellie Gubbrud
David Moberg
Mención Honorífica
Brigid Golden
Saskia Eberman
Claire Mortenson
Elijah Soss

Peter Drivas
Samantha Elwood
Riaz Kelly
Eva Langenbrunner
Lydia Dunn
Simon Grow-Hanson
Natalie Montilino
Grace Nelson
Lola Rubens
Meredith Tedder
Henry Cortes
Avery Liebren
Daniella Torres-Skendi
Madeline Farber

Spring Sports Action

