



April 2022

Curriculum News

News About Learning & Doing at Henry Ford Academy

APRIL IS ARAB-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

National Arab American Heritage Month (NAAHM) takes place in April. It celebrates the Arab American heritage and culture and pays tribute to the contributions of Arab Americans. Across the country, cultural institutions, school districts, municipalities, state legislatures, public servants, and Arab Americans engage in special events that celebrate our community's rich heritage and numerous contributions to society.

According to ArabAmerica.com, It was first celebrated in the 1990s, primarily in school districts. Since then, it has grown to be recognized increasingly by states, cities, and school districts across the country. In 2017, Arab America, a media and educational resource organization dedicated to portraying the Arab community in the United States began an initiative to designate the month as a national holiday.

Arab America and the Arab America Foundation launched the National Arab American Heritage Month initiative in 2017, with just a handful of states recognizing the initiative. Each year, a grass-roots network of over 250 Arab American volunteers in 26 states gathers hundreds of proclamations from their states, counties, municipalities, and local school districts.

The President of the United States recognized the month of April as National Arab American Heritage Month with a special commemorative letter to our organization. In 2021, Congress, the U.S. Department of State, and 37 state governors issued proclamations commemorating the initiative. Many Arab Americans are second, third, and fourth-generation immigrants. Some are descendants of the first immigrants who arrived in the New York and New Jersey areas in the second half of the 19th Century.

Arab Americans can trace their ancestry to the countries from which they or their ancestors migrated to the United States. These countries include Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen. The largest group, comprising nearly one-third of the Arab American population, are Lebanese Americans. The Census Bureau reported in 2010 that there were 1.8 million Arab Americans in the United States, with the largest percentage residing in Dearborn, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit.

<https://www.thereisadayforthat.com/holidays/usa/national-arab-american-heritage-month>

Important Dates:

April 1st

April Fools' Day

April 2nd

Ramadan Begins at Sundown

April 5th

Parent Org. Student Store during AC

Dearborn Ham Fundraiser Order

Sheets & Payment Due!

April 10th

National Siblings Day

April 13th

SAT/PSAT (Grades 9, 10, 11)

April 14th

Dearborn Ham Fundraiser Orders

MUST be picked up from the Museum

Office!

April 15th

Good Friday (No School)

Passover Begins at Sundown

April 17th

Easter Sunday

April 18th

Tax Day

April 20th

HFA Board Meeting @ 9 AM

Parent Meeting @ 5 PM

April 22nd

Earth Day

April 23rd

World Book Day

April 27th

Administrative Professionals Day

April 29th

PTC (Half Day for Students)

ROYAL BALL 2022



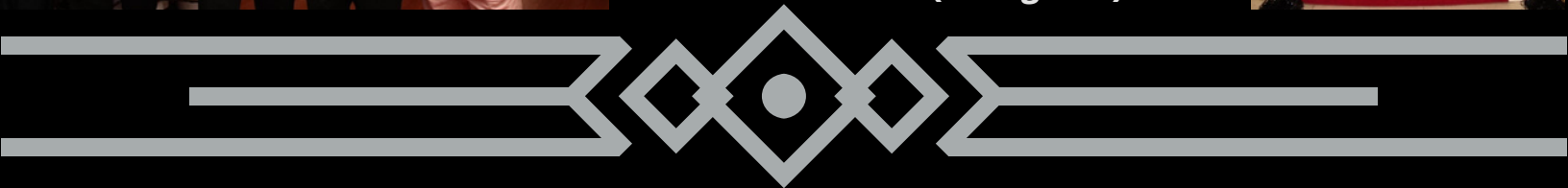
"I thought the dance was a nice experience! I feel that it helped bring us all closer together. I thought the set up was beautiful, and everyone was dressed really nice. I am looking forward to having another Royal Ball Dance next year."

- Gabrielle Hyter (9th grade)



"HFA deserved an event like this. I think everyone who was there would agree that Royal Ball is definitely something they'll remember!"

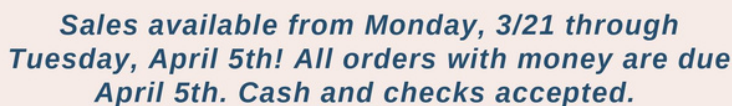
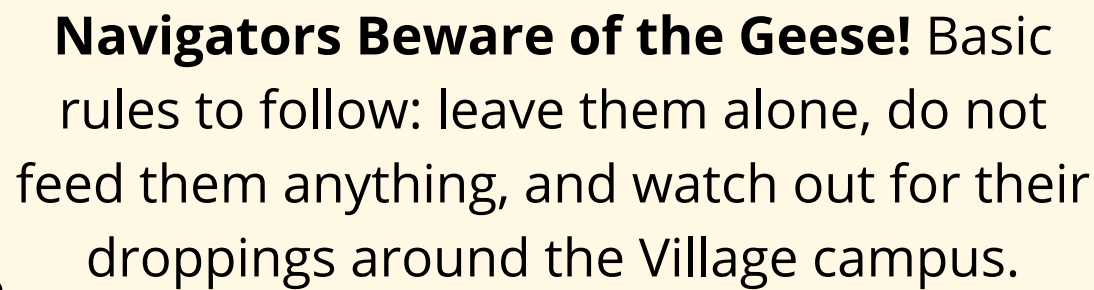
- Amr Brown (11th grade)




HFA TALENT SHOW

Alonzo Dock (Dancer)
Cori Archie (Singer)
Bryce Kilburn (Singer)
Joseph Kuykendall (Host/Rapper)
Nate Miller (Host/Rapper)
Molly & Ainsley Oliver (Irish Dancers)
Joh'nay Barnes (Singer)
Cianna Anderson (Poet)
John Thorne (Drummer)
Riley Fisher (Singer)
Eamon Kennedy (Pianist)
Naomi Scott, Kimora Douglas, Serenity
Howell, Angel Jackson, Jada Collins,
Aubrey Simone, Yahir Hernandez-
Herrera, Madisyn Hadley, Hailey
Atkinson, Mira Bracey
(Lights & Tech. Crew)





					
Organization's Name _____					
Seller's Name _____					
	Name	Phone #	0000	Half Spiral Sliced Turkey Glazed Ham 1lb average	Whole Spiral Sliced Glazed Ham 14lb average
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			0002		Half Spiral Sliced ham/Glaze Pkt BB average
			0003		Whole Spiral Sliced Ham/Glaze Pkt 14lb average
			0004		Half Classic Semi Boneless Ham 8lb average
			0005		Whole Classic Semi Boneless Ham 14lb average
			0010	Spiral Sliced Breast of Turkey 4.5lb average	Hunters sausage [hot] 5lb package
			0016		Hunters Sausage (Mild) 5lb package
			0021		Smoked Kielbasa 5lb box
			0023		Fresh Kielbasa 5lb box
			0022		Holiday Kielbasa 5lb box
			0012		Smoked Delishia 1lb pack
			0081		Applewood Thick Sliced Bacon 1.5lb pack
			0080		Honey Cured Thick Sliced Bacon 1.5lb pack
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Half or Whole Spiral Sliced Torched Glazed Ham
Half or Whole Spiral Sliced Ham with Glaze Packet on side
Half or Whole Classic Trim Ham - Semi Boneless
Spiral Sliced Breast of Turkey
Hot or Mild Hunter's Sausage
Smoked or Fresh Kielbasa
Holiday Kielbasa
Honey Cured Thick Sliced Bacon
Applewood Thick Sliced Bacon

Any questions please reach out to Regina Smith @ qiqi33713@gmail.com.

Sales for HFA Parent Org.'s Dearborn Ham Fundraiser starts now, March 21st through April 5th! All orders with money are due on the 5 of April and can be dropped off to Mr. Miller at the Museum Office. Cash and checks accepted.

Pick up will be at the school April 14. THEY MUST BE PICKED UP APRIL 14.

**Any questions please reach out to Regina Smith
@ gigi33713@gmail.com. Access the Order Form,
Items & Prices, and Fundraiser Flyer at
[https://hfa-dearborn.org/parentstudent-
resources/parent-organization/](https://hfa-dearborn.org/parentstudent-resources/parent-organization/)**

March Activities!



Principal Christmas and Ms. Wioncek explored the new THF Exhibit "Apollo: When We Went to the Moon," and got to sit inside of a full size model of the Apollo 17 Lunar Roving Vehicle (LRV), which is a battery-powered, space exploration vehicle designed to move across the surface of the moon.



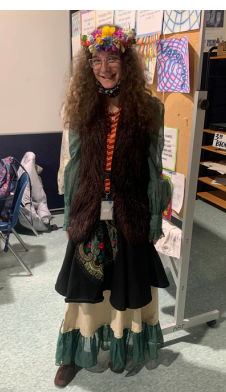
What a cool thing for 6,000 Michigan earthlings to see! HFA's Earth Science Teacher & NASA Affiliate, Mr. Epton, gave a public presentation on moon rocks which were on loan from NASA in front of the new THF exhibit, "Apollo: When We Went to the Moon."



Happy International Women's Day! Select students from every grade came together to celebrate International Women's Day. They learned all about GRIT (growing Guts, building Resilience, accepting Imperfection, finding their Team) and why it's important to start living a gritty life!

Thank you to our counselors, event speakers, and itsagirlslife.org for providing this event to our Lady Navigators!

Between two visits, around 60 HFA students had a chance to meet with the THF Talent & Culture team along with managers regarding summer jobs. This was a great experience and opportunity for our students!



HFA students were permitted to "dress down" for \$2, March 16th and 100% of the proceeds collected were donated to help those affected in Ukraine. 11th grader, Catherine Winiarski "dressed down" in traditional Ukrainian attire to honor her 3rd generation heritage.

Also on International Women's Day (by pure coincidence), Mr. Albert and Mr. Haney put together a "Gentleman Day," where they taught about 15 young men and 3 ladies the history of suits, how to tie a tie, shine shoes, etc.

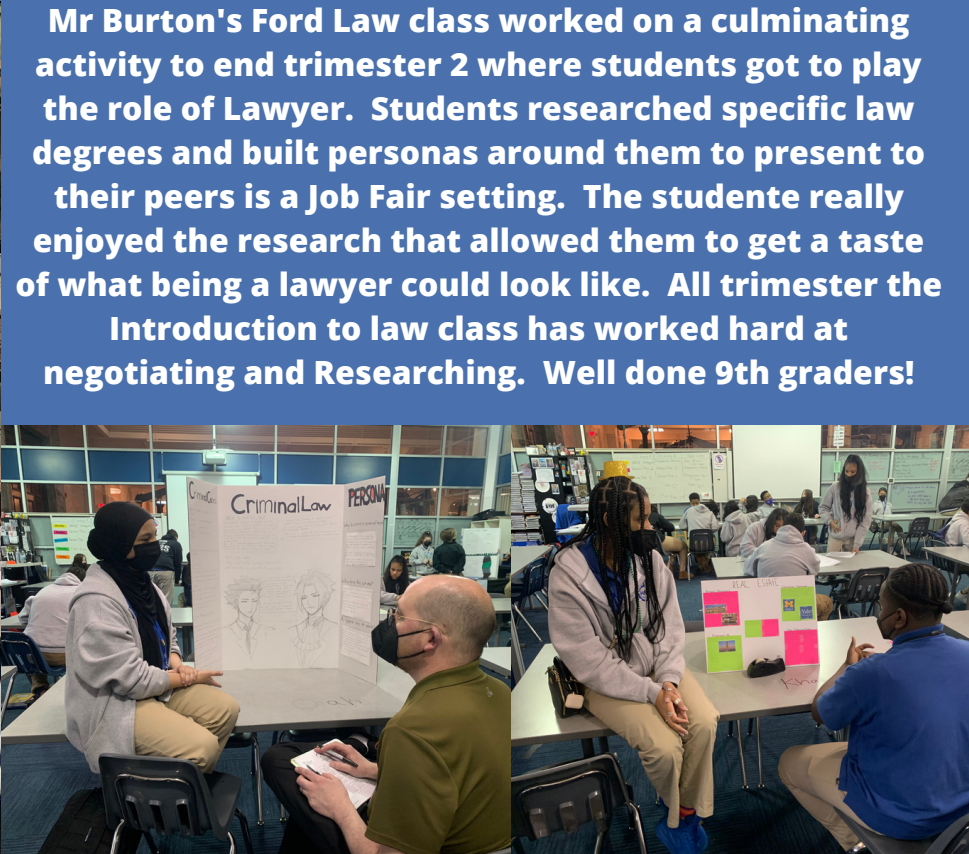
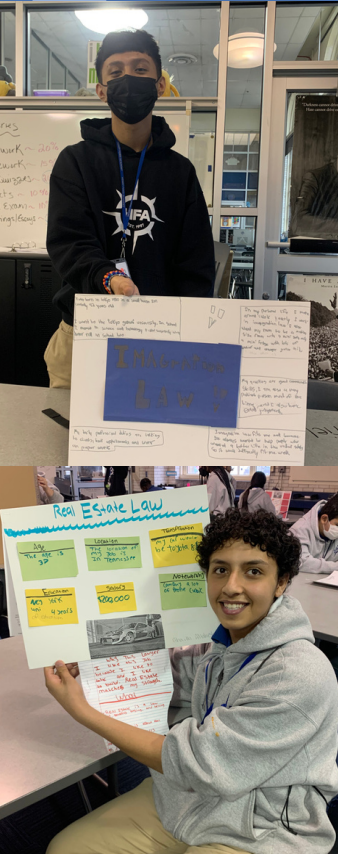




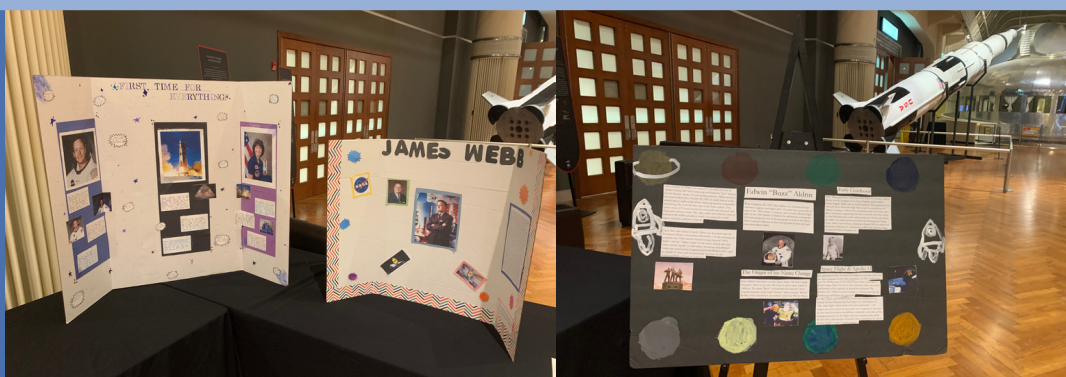
March Classroom Happenings!



Mr Burton's Ford Law class worked on a culminating activity to end trimester 2 where students got to play the role of Lawyer. Students researched specific law degrees and built personas around them to present to their peers in a Job Fair setting. The students really enjoyed the research that allowed them to get a taste of what being a lawyer could look like. All trimester the Introduction to law class has worked hard at negotiating and Researching. Well done 9th graders!



For Village History, Mr. Kos brought in Mark Smith, Senior Manager of Visitor Services at the Henry Ford Museum. Additionally, Smith also went to elementary school here. Our project this week was about the founding of the Henry Ford Museum and what it means to people today.

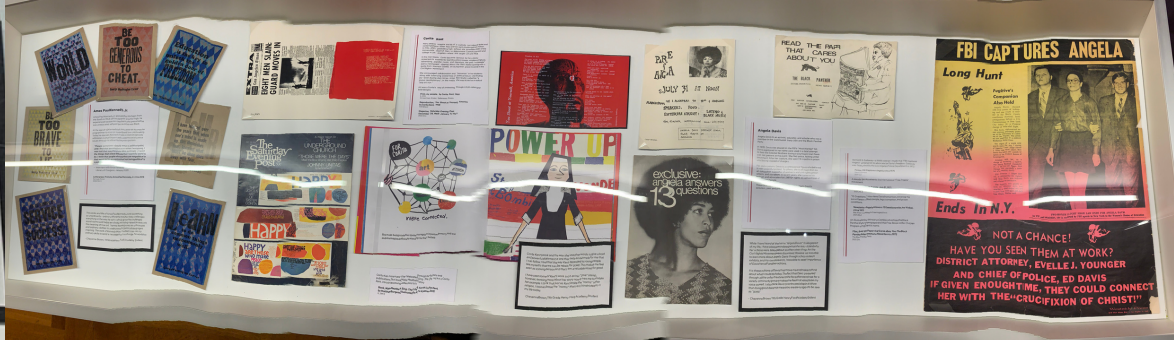


Mr. Epton's Astronomy class displayed their space program projects outside the new THF gallery exhibit, "Apollo: When We Went to the Moon." Their projects featured biographies of various astronauts.

Corita Kent's work and the way she used her words to give a bold and powerful statement is one that sets an example for me that I can follow. I feel that the way Kent appealed to young people like myself is that we can be rebels for good. This makes me feel seen as a young person and that I am a valuable asset for good.

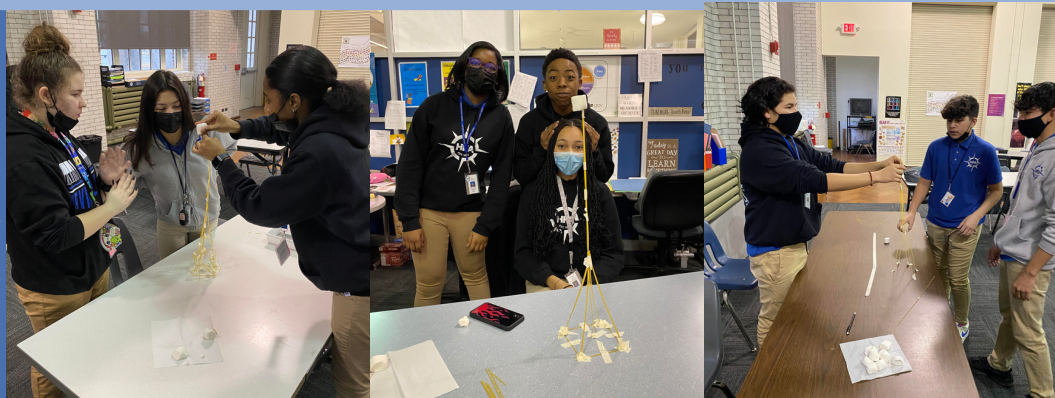
I have seen some of Kent's work such as her "Love" stamp, however, knowing more about her story now drives me to imitate her example. I think that just as Kent broke the "norms" of her religion, I too can break the "norms" that I am constricted to in my life today.

- Cheyenne Brown, 11th Grade Henry Ford Academy Student

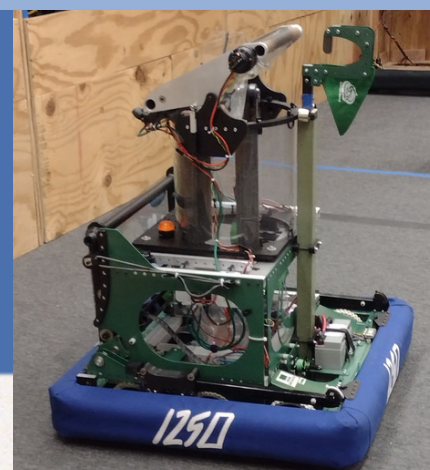


Cheyenne Brown (sophomore) did some work with Kristen Gallerneaux, curator of technology to help write some of the sign cards on a new temporary display just outside of the "With Liberty and Justice for All" exhibit. If you are in the Museum, be sure to check it out and/or give Cheyenne some congrats. She was pretty excited for the opportunity and we hope it leads to even more chances for our kids in the future!

In Ms. Scott's Freshmen Workshop, students worked in groups on the Spaghetti Noodle & Marshmallow Tower Challenge to see how they could work together to build the highest tower and put their marshmallow on top with our it breaking or falling.



Team 1250 (Gator Bots) has been competing in the FIRST Robotics Competition for 19 seasons, and a total of 51 official events. They were a rookie (and began competing) in 2004 and remain active as of the current season, 2022. During the 2022 FRC HFA finished at 18 out of 36 teams. Way to go Gator Bots! The twitch link is: https://www.thebluealliance.com/gameday#chat=firstupdatesnow&layout=0&view_0=2022mibel-0



Virtual Homework Lab

Every Tuesday & Thursday 5-6 PM

Join using this link:

<https://meet.google.com/ndb-bquh-hgv>

Don't wait, come for help!



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