

Daily Announcements
Linn-Mar High School
Thursday, February 22, 2024

Tonight is the Winter Band concerts. First concert starts at 6pm with the 2nd following at 7:15 in the High School Auditorium.

The annual **Z102.9's Gown Town** will be held THIS Sunday, February 25th from 12 – 3 PM at the Kirkwood Linn County Regional Center on Boyson Road in Hiawatha.

Z102.9's Gown Town is a 100% FREE opportunity for high school students to come select a prom dress, shoes, or an accessory for their prom night! To learn more, please check out our website at: <https://www.kzia.com/z102-9s-gown-town/>

CLUBS

Our senior engineering capstone students need your help. This semester the students have formed teams based on common interest, found a problem, researched prior solutions, and have created their own designs. Now they must narrow down their ideas and pick their final solution. This is where you all come in as they need public feedback. Monday morning, the 26th, these Engineering Design and Development (EDD) students will be in the Four Corners.

There will be tables set up in the Four Corners and our seniors will be presenting their designs. Faculty, staff, and students are invited to come by the tables starting at 8:30.

There will be QR codes to scan so bring a device!

If you have any questions, contact Mr. Patterson.

FFA is hosting the Sub District Leadership Contests today starting at 4pm in the Little Theatre today starting at 4pm.

Black History Month is a month-long observance held annually during the month of February to honor and celebrate African American's incredible achievements and contributions throughout history. It highlights the stories and accomplishments of individuals who have impacted our society. As we continue our journey through Black History Month; every Thursday in February, we will explore the stories of other remarkable African American pioneers.

Today we highlight: **Gertrude Rush**

Gertrude Rush was an influential figure in the legal profession and the first African American woman to be admitted to the Iowa Bar Association. She was born on January 26, 1880, in

Navasota, Texas. Rush's family moved to Kansas when she was young, and she later attended Highland College in Highland, Kansas.

In 1918, Rush moved to Des Moines, Iowa, where she studied law at Drake University. She faced numerous challenges and discrimination during her legal education but persevered and became the first African American woman to graduate from Drake Law School in 1921.

After graduating, Gertrude Rush dedicated her career to advocating for civil rights and social justice. She co-founded the National Bar Association to promote the professional development and advancement of African American lawyers. Rush was also involved in various community organizations, including the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.

Throughout her career, Rush fought against racial discrimination in the legal profession and worked to improve access to justice for marginalized communities. She was known for her commitment to equality and unwavering dedication to breaking down barriers for future generations of African American lawyers.

Gertrude Rush passed away on November 23, 1962, leaving a lasting legacy as a trailblazer and advocate for justice. Her contributions to the legal profession continue to inspire and pave the way for future generations.

The date for the Spring Fling will be Saturday March 23rd from 8-10:30pm in the HS Main Gym. Approved Guests WILL be allowed at this dance. In order to bring a Guest that does NOT attend Linn-Mar, you must complete and turn on a Guest Permission forms. These forms are available now in the Counselors Office. Pick one up today.

SPORTS

NEWS from the COUNSELING OFFICE

IMPORTANT for AP Students: If your class started 2nd Semester you need to declare “yes” in the College Board website and pay your \$89 exam fee in order to take the exam. The payment portal opened for 2nd semester on February 16th and remains open until March 4th, 2024.

Also, be sure to visit Xello weekly for new scholarship opportunities. **There are currently local scholarships available for you to apply today!** Don't miss out on this great opportunity to lessen the cost of tuition! Scholarship deadlines are fast approaching.

College Rep visits this week:

A Rep from the Colleges listed below will be at Linn-Mar to meet with any students who has questions, or interest in learning more. Stop by the Counselors Office to get a pass to visit.

Visits planned for this week are:

Friday 2/23

University of Northern Iowa (UNI) 1:00pm CCC

Don't forget to follow the Counselors Office on Instagram, @linnmarhscounseling to get updates on all of the events happening in the College & Career Center.

Just a few reminders from the Dean's Office

Students must have a current 2023-2024 LMHS parking tag to park on campus during the school day.

All students with parking tags must park in their designated parking lot to avoid getting a \$25.00 parking violation. Tags must be displayed at all times.

Students parking off campus are NOT allowed to park in the following locations.

LRC/Compass

Excelsior Middle School

Indian Creek Elementary

Apartment parking lots across the street

Local businesses in the area

Students parking on the street please do not block driveways or fire hydrants or you will get ticketed by the Marion Police dept.