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NOTEBOOK

6 students qualify for SkillsUSA nationals

Forty students from Gateway

Academy competed at the state competition, with six students moving on to the SkillsUSA National Competition by winning at the state level. Six other students also finished in first place, but do not compete at the national level because there is not a competition in that particular category.

Those scholars qualifying for national competition at the high school level are Brittany Genco (1st Place – Commercial Baking) and Sam McGhee (1st Place – Related Technical Math.

High school team competition winners who qualify for national competition are Jadyn Hicks and Jaydon Hedlund (1st Place – Robotics).

Qualifying as middle school students are the Gateway Robotics team of Will Knight and Z'Quan Benson who finished atop the Urban Search and Rescue Competition. By winning the Kentucky state competition, the students qualify to compete at the SkillsUSA national competition June 25 through 29, also in Louisville.

Other individual high school winners from Gateway Academy are Shelby Korman (1st Place – Cake Decorating) and Cameron Diaz and Nicholas Sanders (1st Place – Debate).

Gateway Academy students who placed at the state competition are Christian McKeel (3rd Place – 30 Second Elevator Story), Josh Bush and McKay Dunn (2nd Place – Mobile Robotics Technology), and James Sullivan and Austin Gibson (3rd Place – Interactive Application and Game Design).

Middle school students who competed and received medals are Demarion Beckem (1st Place – Job Interview), Madison Lancaster (1st Place – 30-Second Elevator Story), Jameson Kellum (1st Place – 3D Print Design), Ryan Floyd (2nd Place – 30 Second Elevator Story) along with the team of Madison Lancaster and Julian Diaz (2nd Place – Robotics-Urban Search and Rescue).

2 Fort Campbell students graduate from Bethel

John Matthew Aguirre Sr. and Michael Dante Carter, both of Fort Campbell, graduated from Bethel University on May 5.

Aguirre and Carter each received a Bachelor of Science .

Thomas gets American Planners civic leader award

Tim Thomas was presented the 2018 American Planners Association of Kentucky Distinguished Civic Leader Award at the May 10 spring conference in Berea.

The award is given to an individual who has advanced and sound planning in the public arena.

Madisonville Mayor David Jackson nominated Thomas for the award.

Thomas is a funeral director at Redd and Brown Funeral Home.

WKU recognizes top graduates, students

Western Kentucky University's six academic colleges celebrated their Class of 2018 graduates and recognized top students in ceremonies May 11 at Diddle Arena.

Army ROTC cadet LaDeirdre Mumford of Hopkinsville was commissioned as second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. She is assigned to Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Scholars of the College of College of Health and Human Services included Amelia Little of Elkton, a communication disorders major and the daughter of Angela and Tim Little.

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences recognized Anissa Syreen Pugh, Hopkinsville/Evansville, Indiana, Client Perceptions of the Five Facets of Mindfulness Based on Acceptance and Commitment Therapy.

Scholars of the College of Potter College of Arts & Letters included Nicole Bufford of Hopkinsville, a corporate and organizational communication major, a Mahurin Honors College graduate, the daughter of Shelly and Jeffrey DiMatties and the spouse to Ryan Bufford.

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