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Golden Attitude Breakfast

Mark Donahue and Rachael Dailey

On December 19, the Golden Attitude Committee had a wonderful event down in the cafeteria. The students that are members of Golden Attitude got to have breakfast with loved ones and friends. This year, the Cafeteria staff worked very hard to make a variety of foods, such as breakfast sandwiches, waffles, and even healthy smoothies, for parents and students to nibble on. It was a crowded event that had plenty of music, decorations, and photos.

Decatur's breakfast was a huge success, and it was an honor to let the Golden Attitude students and parents enjoy themselves on this nice day.

Cultural Day

Wura Giwa

Decatur had a Cultural Day on December 23, 2017. It's when the students get to dress up in their cultural wear. We met some Polish students, Irish students, students from the Dominican Republic, African-American students, and even some students from Russia, just to name a few. In total, we made \$553, and got to see all the cultures that represent Stephen Decatur!

Polar Express Day

Melanie Roberts and Jordan Myers

On December 22, 2017, Decatur's Kindergarten and First grade students celebrated the start of Winter Break with Polar Express Day. They took part in many fun activities. Kindergarten students switched classrooms throughout the day to complete different crafts. All of the Kindergarten and First grade students participated in a book Pollyanna where they received fantastic new books. To wrap up the day students watched The Polar Express. Overall, the students had a fun-filled day.

Stephen Curry

Julian Kerrigan

Stephen Curry was born on March 14, 1988 and he is 29. His height is 6ft 3in. and he weighs 190 lbs. He played college basketball for Davidson. A couple years later he got drafted in the 1st round pick 7 for the Golden State Warriors.

Steph Curry's Jersey number is #30 and he is point guard for the Golden State Warriors. He averages 27.7 points a game 6.5

Girls Basketball

Jordan Myers and Joshua Jordan

On Wednesday, January 17th, 2018 the Decatur girls had their first basketball game against Disston. The Decatur girls took a good win. Making their record 1-0. The top scores were, Sanna Garret with 17 points, Mia Harris scoring 8 points. The end of the game score was 40-23. Good job to all the girls who played the fantastic game.

PAEP Assembly

By Faharia Ali and Eric Ritts

On December 18, 2017 we had an assembly for PAEP. PAEP stands for Philadelphia's Art Education Program. This program has dance, theater, art, and music. At this assembly they performed dances, songs, and acts. The dances were salsa, hip hop, and contemporary. The actors performed different kinds of acts and the singers sang songs. We enjoyed the show.

Eagles Dress Down Day 1

Christopher DelNegro

On January 12th, Decatur had an Eagles Dress Down Day. Students dressed down in Eagle T-shirts, jerseys, or just the color green. The next day, the Eagles brought home a victory against the Atlanta Falcons. The school raised a total of \$692.00. Fly Eagles, fly!

Eagles Dress Down Day 2

Elizabeth Edmiston and Anthony Dietrich

Stephen Decatur had a 2nd Eagles Dress Down Day, to support the Eagles as they went against a great team in the NFL... the Minnesota Vikings! We wore our Eagles clothing to support them on Sunday, January 21st, 2018. Our Dress Down Day was a success, with \$654 raised and we hope they win at the Super Bowl. Fly, Eagles, Fly.

NFC Champs

Elijah Carrion Shane Flood

For the first time in 13 years, the Eagles were in the conference championship game and they played the Minnesota Vikings. The game started out good for the Eagles especially on defense. So the Vikings were up 7-0 and the Vikings had the ball, then number 21 Patrick Robinson on the Eagles caught an interception and scored a pick six making the game 7-7. The Vikings were moving the pretty good. Then in the red zone the Vikings Quarterback Case Keenum fumbled the ball and the Eagles defense recovered it. In that drive, Eagles Quarterback Nick Foles threw a touchdown pass to Alshon Jeffery making the score 21-7. At the end of 1st half the Eagles scored a field goal to make the score 24-7. Then in the 2nd half Nick Foles threw a touchdown pass to Tory Smith to make the game 31-7. Then during the next drive, Alshon Jeffrey scored another touchdown pass for the final score to be 38-7 for the Eagles to go to the Super Bowl.

People Doubted Us-The Underdogs

Elijah Carrion

This season for the Eagles has been amazing but what shocked Eagles fans was Nick Foles. From being a Second String quarterback to being a starter and taking the Eagles to their 3rd Super Bowl. When the Eagles starting quarterback Carson Wentz tore his ACL, people doubted the Eagles to be one and done in the playoffs. No one expected the Eagles to go to the Super Bowl but Nick Foles proved them wrong with taking the Eagles to the Super Bowl. In the first game in the playoffs Nick Foles threw for 266 yards and in the NFC championship he threw for 340 yards. If Nick Foles keeps it up we might see a Eagles Super Bowl championship.

Habit 3

Erika Pelikan Kristen Lawrence

Habit 3 is all about putting first things first. Habit 3 teaches us to put the important things first, and then relax. For example, if your friends are out at the mall, and you want to go but you have homework, you should make the right decision and do your homework first. But for some people they like to put the least important things first and wait until last minute to do the important things. Sometimes living this habit is very helpful. Fortunately, there is a big pay-off for people who choose to prioritize and do the most important things first.

No More Plastic Bags

Elizabeth Edmiston and Faharia Ali

Plastic Plastic Plastic..... Ohh My!!! Our seventh grade science teacher Mr. Jackson created a project where seventh graders had to make a reusable bag. Plastic bags are bad for the environment because people are using them the wrong way. People are using plastic bags one time when they are meant to be used multiple times. About one billion plastic bags are thrown away.

Mr. Jackson had us make a reusable bag out of either a T-shirt, threading, or out of other plastic bags. He also made us go out in public and use these bags, and take pictures. It was a fun project.

Robotics

Faharia Ali Rachael Dailey

Decatur has a very special club called Robotics. Robotics is a program where you focus on a problem and later on you build a robot to help solve the problem. This year in Robotics they are focusing on ways to improve the methods people find, transport, use, or dispose of water. On January 13th, Stephen Decatur's Robotics team went to Central High School and won second place with their Hydro-Dynamic robot. We are very proud of them and hope to see a 1st place trophy in the future.