

# CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

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## CSEE Foundation continues legacy of giving



*Commerce Mayor and Foundation board member Wyman Williams (right) listened as Jessica Duckworth (center) explained the transformation of the CES library. Art teacher Katy Bleyl (left) painted murals depicting scenes from "Alice in Wonderland."*

Over the last 13 years, the board members of the Commerce Schools Educational Enrichment Foundation have been committed to providing funding for items outside of the school budget that will increase student achievement.

Their mission continues to this day and along the way they have gathered other devoted individuals who champion their cause.

Through their single fundraising effort, the annual Boots & BBQ celebration, the Foundation has donated over \$460,000 to CISD for teacher-initiated grants. Proceeds from this year's Boots & BBQ approach \$14,000.

The CSEEF board will select new grant winners during their May 2 meeting.

Thank you CSEEF board members and supporters for all you do for the students of Commerce ISD.



*CES teacher Karen Davis shares manipulatives, which were purchased with grant funds, with students at Boots & BBQ.*



*The CMS drama club thanked the Foundation for funding their grants that have enhanced their productions. Their play won district this year.*



*Rockney Reid has a solo saxophone performance with the CHS Jazz Band.*



*Superintendent Charlie Alderman with Foundation board members Renee Walker, Janet Peek, Donna Spinato and Mary Hendrix.*



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## CHS one-act play wins District



The CHS production of "Moon over Buffalo" by Ken Ludwig advanced to bi-district competition in March. Even though actors pictured seem distressed, the play was actually a comedy. Sponsor Karri Anderson said the high school audience was attentive and responsive to the production. Individual awards went to Rockney Reid, Best Actor, District; All-Star Cast, Bi-District; Cody Wallace, All-Star Cast, District; Honorable Mention, Bi-District; Jason Ocampo, Honorable Mention, District; Abigail Weimar, Honorable Mention, Bi-District; and Jakob Scarcelli, All-Star Tech, District and Bi-District.

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## Health, Safety and Family Services host April events



The Family and Community Services Team, which includes Alison Walker, family services coordinator; Kathy Myers, director of health services; and Joe Venable, Commerce Police Chief, hosted events to show appreciation to hometown heroes and promote bike safety.

Child Abuse Awareness was brought to the forefront during April 9-14. Displays were set up on each campus to demonstrate the roles school personnel, community members, families and each student play in keeping everyone safe and preventing child abuse. Blue pinwheels outside each campus graphically showed the number of children in that school who, according to statistics, could be a victim of child abuse.

On Friday, Hometown Heroes were honored during a breakfast downtown prepared and served by Chartwells Food Service including Sharee Osten and Anika Whetstone. The Hunt County Childrens' Advocacy Center also contributed to the breakfast.

On Saturday, a bike safety rodeo was held downtown. Bikes were inspected for safety and children could ride the bike obstacle course to practice and learn bike handling and safety skills. A total of 100 bike helmets were given away and 16 lucky riders received a new bike.

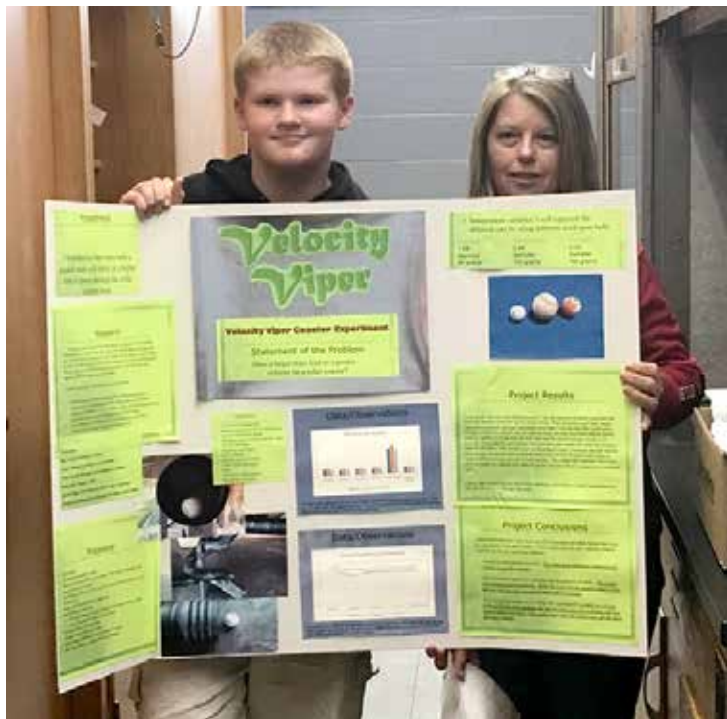
The event was sponsored by sponsored by CISD Health, Safety, & Family Services; Commerce Fire Department, Commerce Police Department, Hunt County AMR, Live Oak Professionals, and Texas Medical Association.





## Science fair returns to CMS

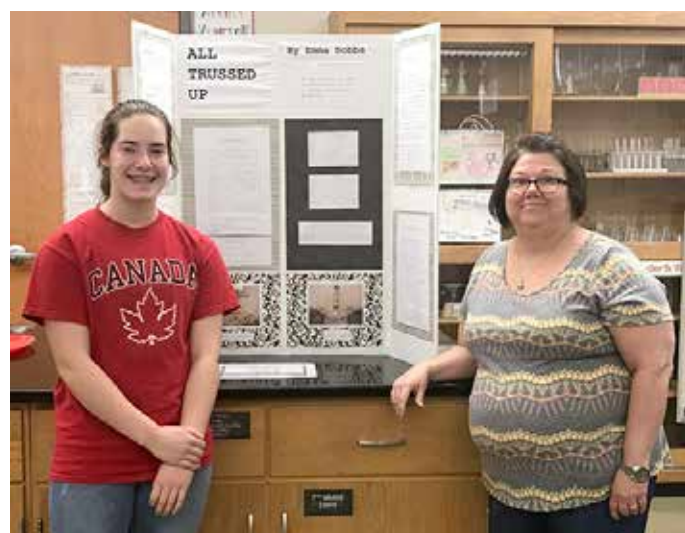
After several years absence, the science fair has returned to Commerce Middle School. Winners from each grade level are shown below.



Sixth-grade winner Pace Eilers and Ms. Stephenia Erwin

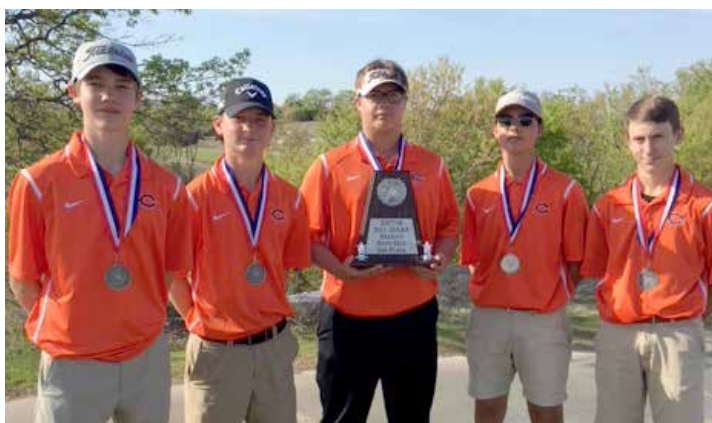


Seventh-grade winner Ben Angel and Ms. Margaret London.



Eighth-grade winner Emma Dobbs and Mrs. Cindy Pierce.

## Golfers set for Regionals



The varsity boys golf team placed second at the district golf tournament in Sherman. They will play in the regional golf tournament at Oakhurst Country Club in Bullard on April 23-24. Coach Roger Brown said he is proud of the improvement in play with the team having finished third last year. He looks forward to next year with all team members returning. Shown left to right are Dodge Brown, Jackson Gossett, Zach Jensen, Sammy Brown and Wade Nicholson.

## Boys track competitors headed to Area

Coach Jerale Badon is heading to Area with his boys track team. Competitors are as follows:

- 800 – Miguel Zavala
- 1600 – Miguel Zavala, Juan Arreguin, Wesley Chavez
- 3200 – Miguel Zavala, Juan Arreguin, Wesley Chavez
- 300 Hurdles – Wanye Robinson
- 4x100 Relay – Isaiah Askew, Casey Shields, Jacorrion Savage, KD Williams
- 4x200 Relay – KD Williams, Jordan Miller, Casey Shields, Jayden Harris
- 4x400 Relay – Jordan Miller, Casey Shields, Lester Harris, KD Williams
- Long Jump – Isaiah Askew
- Triple Jump – KD Williams
- High Jump – Casey Shields
- Pole Vault – Korrighan Smith





## Quite an Enterprise....

Fifth graders visited Enterprise City at Richardson ISD for hands-on learning experiences in real-life situations. The simulation required students to have a job, pay bills and manage money in a bank account. ACW teacher Sheila Watts visited Enterprise City over 20 years ago and was excited for her students to have the experience as well.

## CES students of the month

Back Row: Second Graders Aaron Thomas, Charley Lytle; First Graders Tucker Stark, Bentley Cunningham. Front Row: Kindergartners Gabriel Granados, Alex Cook, Pre-K Elijah Russell, Honesty Spillman



## CES AR Leader Readers achieve goals





Each year the Commerce Rotary Club recognizes the top five percent in each CHS class. Students and parents were honored during a luncheon at the Central Administration Building.



Seniors Ernesto Balderrama, Alan Galicia, Joseph Jang, Vineet Nippani and Lily Selvaggi



Juniors Grace Tolly, Sarah Anthraper, Summer Hanson, Ashley Lopez, Caitlyn Rogers and Jakob Scarcelli



Sophomores Daniel Angel, Bailey Guinessey, Rishi Nippani, Rockney Reid, Margaret Robinson and Savannah Shaw



Freshmen Kayla Gossett, Alyssa Haddock, Ryan Huynh, Meagan Jones, Katie Marcos and Allison Underwood

### Excellence rewarded during student signings



Shown with his family, Jordan Miller (center) signed a letter of intent to play football at Austin College.

Victoria Reiber (left) signed a letter of intent to play softball at the University of the Ozarks. She is shown with Coach Jenna O'Neal.



In addition to skill, Principal Steve Drummond cited character as one of Jamion Shaw's attributes. Shaw is shown with his parents as he signs a letter of intent to play football at Hardin-Simmons University.

