Around Town Briefs: Career awards

Several area students received awards at the 40th annual DECA District One Career Development Conference recently at UW-Stout.


Memorial High School had eight qualifiers while Chippewa Falls High School had five.

About 500 students from 16 schools competed as individuals and teams. Besides Memorial and Chippewa Falls, the other area high schools competing at the conference were Eau Claire North, Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau, Glenwood City, Menomonie and St. Croix Central.

Since 1946, DECA has provided co-curricular programs for students interested in business, marketing, finance, hospitality and management careers.

Following are the area students who placed in individual events:

- Accounting applications: Alex Munson, Chippewa Falls, second.
- Apparel and accessories marketing: Rebecca Davis, Memorial, second.
- Automotive services marketing: Samuel Kmetz, Memorial, first.
- Business finance: Mario Rossato, Memorial, second.
- Food marketing: Taryn Lemke, Menomonie, second.
- Hotel and lodging management: Alexandria Bolstad, Memorial, second.
- Marketing management: Laurena Schug, Glenwood City, first.
- Quick serve restaurant management: Thomas Butzler, Memorial, second.
- Restaurant and food service management: Luke Thompson, Menomonie, second.
Retail merchandising: Grant Jordahl, Memorial, first; Sean Dubiel, Chippewa Falls, second.

Sports and entertainment marketing: Logan Nicolet, Memorial, first.

Principles of business administration: Kaylin Spaeth, Glenwood City, second.

Principles of finance: Josh Doyle, Glenwood City, second.

Principles of hospitality and tourism: Halle Knutson, Menomonie, first.

Principles of marketing: Ken Callaway, Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau, first.

Following are the area students who placed in team events:

Business law and ethics: Brittany Peterson and Sarah Loew, Chippewa Falls, second.

Financial services: Jasper Arneberg and Austin Thielen, Chippewa Falls, first.

Hospitality services: Tony Brown and Brandon Smith, Chippewa Falls, first.

Travel and tourism: Alexis Deignan and Brynn Larson, Memorial, first.