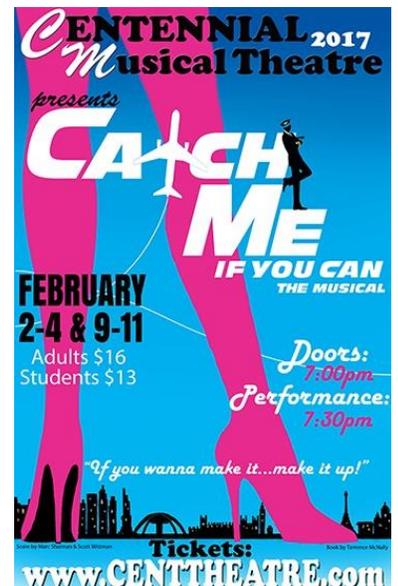


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1. **SD43 students** stopped by the **City of Port Coquitlam's council meeting** on January 24 sharing some **Real Acts of Caring** in preparation of the week of the same name which was proclaimed by the City for February 12 to 18.
2. **SD43 Trustees Kerri Palmer Isaak (Board Chair), Carol Cahoon (Vice-Chair), Judy Shirra, Chuck Denison and Diane Sowden** were in attendance at the **Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce Business Excellent Awards** on January 28 where they celebrated with SD43's education partner, **Finger Food Studios**, on their "Business of the Year – 30+ Employees" award.
3. **SD43 Trustees Carol Cahoon (Vice-Chair), Diane Sowden and Barb Hobson** attended **Gleneagle Secondary's second annual TEDx** on January 30. The theme of the event was 'reconstruction.'
4. **Over 1,000 members of the local community**, not counting students from the school, **attended the Powers of Ideas tour at Terry Fox Secondary** on February 2. The event was officially kicked off with a welcome from **SD43 Superintendent Patricia Gartland, Assistant Superintendent Gerald Shong, Port Coquitlam Mayor Greg Moore, and Port Coquitlam MLA Mike Farnworth.**
5. [Theatrical productions were recently held and/or are coming to SD43 Secondary Schools](#) in the month of February. For ticket information, contact each school directly or visit their respective websites. Upcoming productions include:
 - **Pinetree Secondary** – [The Sound of Music](#) – Runs February 2-4 & 9-11
 - **Centennial Secondary** – [Catch Me If You Can: The Musical](#) – Runs February 2-4 & 9-11
 - **Riverside Secondary** – [Rock of Ages](#) – Runs February 23-25 & March 1-3
6. **Heritage Woods Secondary student Kieran Cyphus** has been named a winner of the Lorán Award valued at \$100,000.
7. **Eagle Mountain Middle student Nolan Fahey** was named the [Outstanding Newcomer at the 13th annual OVATION! Awards](#) for his performance in the lead role of the Arts Club Theatre Company production, *Billy Elliot*.
8. **Gleneagle Secondary teacher Amy Clausen** was named the winner of [Vancouver Academy of Dramatic Arts' BC High School Drama Teacher of the Year Award](#). **Riverside Secondary's Nicole Roberts** finished as a runner-up in the contest.



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9. **Dr. Charles Best Secondary Grade 12 student Markus Masaites**, a recipient of a national gold medal last year for his ARCT diploma exam (Royal Conservatory of Music), will be performing a series of recitals including a [concert on March 5 at the Shadbolt Centre](#) for the Arts in Burnaby.
10. **Baker Drive Elementary Grade 3 student Dean Petriw** will be [pursuing his acting career in the United States](#). His prominent roles to date include appearances in *Kindergarten Cop 2*, *Wayward Pines*, and *Beyond*.
11. **Riverside Secondary's senior girls and senior boys curling teams**, respectively, have qualified for the provincial championship tournament taking place in Smithers in March.
12. **SD43 alumni Tylar Turnbull (Riverside Secondary) and AJ Ewart (Gleneagle Secondary)** are among the finalists for [Sport BC's 51st Athlete of the Year Awards](#). Turnbull, a volleyball player, is up for College Athlete of the Year, while Ewart, a golfer, is up for the Male Junior Athlete of the Year award.
13. **Riverside Secondary alumnus Danita Stroup** has been [named to the Canadian Women's Lacrosse Team](#) set to compete at the 2017 FIL Women's Lacrosse World Cup in Guildford, England taking place July 12-22.
14. **Dr. Charles Best Secondary graduate David Norman Jr.** has [signed a professional deal with the Vancouver Whitecaps FC 2](#) of the USL, and is currently attending the Whitecaps's MLS team's pre-season training camp in Wales.
15. [SD43 graduates are putting on shows with a Valentine's theme](#) in the local community including:
 - **Deanna Rayne (Port Moody Secondary)** playing at the Gallery Bistro in Port Moody on Friday, February 10 for a concert titled *Valentine's for Jazz Lovers*.
 - **Maria Ho (Terry Fox Secondary)** appearing at Coquitlam's Evergreen Cultural Centre on Saturday, February 11 for *Love Is On The Air*, a concert presented as a live radio show.



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