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Shullsburg Junior High School Wins New York Trip



At Ellis Island, From Left: Tim Strang, Advisor, Alicia Carrier, Sonja Weiskircher, Alana Carrier, and Mary Vaughan, 1st VP of Robert W. Baird & Co.

Three seventh-grade girls from Shullsburg Junior High School beat out 3,358 other teams to win the Stock Market Simulation contest during the Spring 2001 semester.

Since the Wisconsin Council started operating a Stock Market Simulation program, only two other semesters have had a junior high team be the winner. This is the 13th year that the Council has offered a Stock Market Simulation program.

Alicia Carrier, Alana Carrier and Sonja Weiskircher, along with their teacher, Tim Strang, enjoyed a wonderful 2-day trip to New York City on May 9 and 10. Flown there by Midwest Express Airlines and entertained by Robert W. Baird & Co., the students and teacher were treated to first class accommodations and activities. Being on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange and visiting the American Stock Exchange help make the lessons studied in the classroom become real.

"It was an experience of a lifetime for both myself and the girls," said Tim Strang, Advisor.

Marinette High School placed second in the state competition. They had been in first place most of the 10 weeks, but during the final week, Shullsburg pulled ahead.

Third place in the state went to Sparta High



School. It was a difficult market to make big gains but lessons are learned in both a bull and bear market.

At The Recognition Banquet, From Left: Mary Vaughan, Sonja Weiskircher, Alicia Carrier, Alana Carrier. Second Row: Jack Kundert, Secty. Of Dept. of Financial Institutions, Tim Strang, Jim Guenther, President of the Wisconsin Council on Economic Education.

Winners Announced in State Economics Competition

A team of high school students from Sun Prairie High School, competing at UW-Oshkosh, won the third annual Wisconsin Council on Economic Education Economics Competition on April 27th. Eighteen teams of students from nine Wisconsin high schools competed at UW-Oshkosh. Other teams competed simultaneously in the Milwaukee competition. There were statewide winners and winners of the separate competitions.

The team from Sun Prairie won the statewide and Oshkosh General Division competition. Members of the team headed by economics teacher George Conom were Andy Ellis, Elizabeth Falendsyz, Steve Hill and Clinton Sprain. Winner of the Honors Division of the competition at UW-Oshkosh was a Marion High School team headed by economics teacher Robert McDevitt. Team members were Brenda Natzke, Nathan Papendorf, Andy Pfister and Mike Wroblewski.

The winning team of the General Division competition in Milwaukee was from Kettle Moraine High School, headed by economics teacher Dave Rupnow. Members of the team are Jenny Etmayer, Tim McCaffrey, Sarah Leet and Joe Frank.

Winning the Honors Division at UW-Milwaukee and having the highest score of all teams competing statewide was a team from Catholic Memorial High School of Waukesha, headed by economics teacher Chris Andacht. Team members were Mike Mieler, Greg Sawyer, Kyle Miner and Greg Conners.

Youth Enterprise Academy Summer Sessions

Students in Milwaukee Public Schools are getting a jumpstart on saving for college and the future through the Wisconsin Council on Economic Education's Youth Enterprise Academy, offered through the UW-Milwaukee Center for Economic Education. The Academy is designed to help 9th and 10th grade students in the Milwaukee Public Schools learn to be successful academically and economically.

"Economic research shows that African-Americans and other minorities are lagging behind other groups in home ownership, as well as in building other assets," says Mark Schug, Director of the Center for Economic Education. Because of MPS's high percentage of minority students, the Center's program can help young people learn how to narrow this gap. Students in the class learn how the economy works, how to save and invest, how to manage credit wisely, and how to prepare for college.

During the course, the students take a field trip to Chicago to visit the Chicago Federal Reserve and the Chicago Board of Trade.

The session runs from June 11-15 and June 18-22. Classes are held in the School of Business Administration building, 3202 N. Maryland Avenue, Milwaukee.

Students who attend all sessions and actively participate can earn a \$500 savings bond, paid for by a grant from the Helen Bader Foundation, and earn one-quarter unit of social studies credit from the Milwaukee Public Schools.

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