



# The Coyote Howl

## “Principal’s Page”

### Activities

The first few months of the 2004-2005 school year have been very, very positive. The drama production of “The Villain Wore a Dirty Shirt” was very humorous and offered a dessert in between acts. Mrs. Schultz and Miss Snyder did a wonderful job with their cast.

The tennis team worked very hard this past fall and Coach Stueve should be very proud of their accomplishments. The coyote gridders shutout the Dickinson Midgets and Cade Dorval ran for over 200 yards. Jory Zunich and the cross country boys are going down to Valley City this weekend and Jory is working very hard to become a two-time state champion. The lady cross country runners have worked very hard all season long and Coach Knutson is very proud of their efforts. The lady coyote golf team accomplished their goal of qualifying for the state golf tournament.

### Halloween

Mr. Geiermann and Mr. Sikes are planning our second annual Halloween “Fright Night” for Thursday, October 28. We will be watching “Poltergeist” and “The Lady in White.” Hamburgers and brats will be served in between the movies and we have many prizes to hand out during our trivia contest after the movies. The shows will begin 6:30 P.M.

The WHS Parent-Teacher Organization has scheduled a high school costume dance at the Old Armory on October 29 from 8:30 P.M. to 12:00 A.M. Parents, if you are interested in helping, please call Pat Axtman at the high school at 572-0967. I would like to personally

thank Lila Smith, our PTO president, for all of her hard work in organizing this activity.

The parents of the senior class have organized a senior Halloween night that will be held at the Elks on October 30. This will be from 9 P.M. to 12 A.M. Many fun filled activities will take place as well as a scavenger hunt. Seniors, don’t miss out on any activities your last year of high school.

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Tuesday, November 16 and Thursday, November 18 from 5:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. in the field house. Conferences are important as they provide an opportunity for you to talk with instructors again (if you went to open house) and discuss the progress your son/daughter is making in each class.

Sincerely,

Chris Kittleson, Principal  
Williston High School  
”Go Coyotes”

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# FFA

## District Leadership Conference – October 5

FFA members attended their Annual Leadership Conference on Tuesday, October 5 at WSC. They competed in leadership events such as: Parliamentary Procedure, Demonstration, and Public Speaking.

**Parliamentary Procedure Team received a Bronze.** Officers received the following ratings:

**President- Sarah Stockman- Bronze**  
**Vice President- Casey Metcalf- Gold**  
**Secretary- Amanda Hagen- Silver**  
**Treasurer- Eric Stebleton- Gold**  
**Reporter- John Arnstad- Gold**  
**Sentinel- Max Courneya- Silver**

**Greenhand Parliamentary Team I received a Bronze rating.** Officers received the following ratings:

**President: Doug Richter - Silver**  
**Vice President: Traver Melby - Silver**  
**Secretary: Cameron Hughes - Silver**  
**Treasurer: James Laqua - Bronze**  
**Reporter: Aaron Pepple - Silver**  
**Sentinel: Cody Horab - Silver**  
**Advisor: Jason Thompson - Silver**

**Greenhand Parliamentary Team II received a Silver rating.** Officers received the following ratings:

**President: Joseph Peterson - Silver**  
**Vice President: Brad Haberman - Gold**  
**Secretary: Ben Oster - Gold**  
**Treasurer: Joey Skaare - Silver**  
**Reporter: Jason Jones - Gold**  
**Sentinel: Jeremy Froelich - Silver**  
**Advisor: Jared Hannagen - Silver**

**Creed Contest: Aaron Pepple received a Silver rating.**

**Quiz Team received a Bronze rating.** Contestants were:

**Sarah Stockman- Silver**  
**Casey Metcalf- Bronze**  
**John Arnstad- Bronze**  
**Eric Stebleton- Bronze**

## National FFA Convention

Ten members will be traveling to the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky October 25-31. They will be traveling with chapters from Watford City, Glen Ullin, Mott and Bowman. They will make stops in Minneapolis, Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville. They will tour the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and John Hancock Building in Chicago. They will tour the Indianapolis Speedway in Indianapolis and also some tours in Louisville. During the convention members will attend National convention sessions, leadership workshops and career fairs. Sarah Stockman, our chapter President, was selected to perform in the National FFA Choir.

## Spaghetti dinner - Saturday, November 13 from 4-7 P.M. at the St. Joseph's Gym

This is one of our fundraisers as well as a service project. We will get donations from local businesses to sponsor meals to individual who are in the "Meals for Wheels" programs and others in the community. The members will prepare the meals and deliver them the day of the meal. The dinner for the public will be from 4-7 P.M. that evening.

## Fruit and candy sales

Our annual fruit sales will start November 1 and run to November 24 with presales taken during that time. The fruit will be delivered the week of December 14.

## Chevy truck give away

FFA members will be selling chances to win a Chevy pickup. They will be selling them through the first week of November. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, give any FFA member a call or call Mr. Pepple at the high school. With the purchase of a ticket, you will get a free t-shirt from Murphy Motors, who is sponsoring the Williston FFA in this project, and you will be eligible to win a Chevy pickup. There will be one pickup given away from the tri-state area. It is not nationwide.

Wes Pepple  
FFA Advisor

## WHS Leo Club

The WHS Leo Club has several projects they are focusing on for October/November. Diabetes Awareness Month is scheduled for Williston in October and November. Members will be putting out signs for diabetes screening and will be packing packets of educational information on diabetes. Leo members also helped the Williston Convention and Visitors Bureau with packets for the upcoming art show.

Christmas is in October for Leo Club members - they have begun the third annual Shoe Box Project for Kids. Last year, members collected items and money donations and packed and wrapped forty-seven shoe boxes that were given to children over seas and to children who live on reservations in the United States. The goal of the club this year is to pack and wrap one hundred boxes. They have asked area schools to help with this project as well. Our own Katherine Altizer appeared on the KXMD early evening show with hostess Sharon Berry on October 14 informing our community about this project. Leo's will deliver the filled and wrapped shoe boxes to Lutheran Social Services on November 9.

Leo members helped tie red ribbons at two locations on October 25 from 4 to 6 P.M. - Wal-Mart and at Mercy Wellness Center.

New members are always welcomed - see a Leo member or Mrs. Wick. Meetings are held at 12:20 in room 321.

Luann Wick  
Leo Club Advisor

## ATTENTION MOM!!

**If your child was in Mrs. Tracey's Spanish class last year, this is for you!!**

**A very nice spatula and a soup ladle were left in Mrs. Tracey's classroom after a food day last year. If you are missing one of these items from your kitchen, please contact Mrs. Tracey by phone or email. Your utensil is waiting to return home!!**

LeAnne Tracey  
Spanish Instructor

## Art Club

Art Club is again selling ice cream at sporting events to help defray the cost of their cultural trip to Winnipeg that is scheduled for this next spring. Other activities they will be undertaking for fundraisers and community service are: Repainting and designing the school song for the new gym and painting student chairs for Hagan Elementary school's annual auction on November 5.

Art Club is an activity that is no cost to the student and gives them a chance to do creative and beneficial things for the community.

Clif Sundt  
Art Club Advisor

## SADD NEWS

The school year is in full swing and so are the SADD activities. With almost fifty members on our roster, the noon meetings are filled with enthusiasm. In addition to the regular activities that go with Red Ribbon Week the end of October, we have two big events coming up. We will be hosting a Regional Junior High SADD Workshop on Wednesday, October 27, from 11:30 - 3:15 P.M. at the International Inn. The WHS SADD members will be facilitating group discussions on resisting peer pressure, positive and negative relationships, and all you need to know about SADD. Approximately fifty junior high students will be attending from Williston, Ray, and Killdeer. It should be an exciting afternoon for the junior high students, as well as the high school students participating.

"Be Amazed - Teen Maze" will take place November 10 all day in the high school gym, with all PE and sophomore English classes participating. It will be a hands-on learning activity for the sophomores, during which time they will experience the consequences of a specific health risk behavior. Different scenarios will be used to bring these behaviors to life, along with participation from a variety of professionals from the community. Research indicates that risk-taking behaviors in youth may be reduced when teens develop personal relationships with positive adult role models, and this activity is a way to let adolescents know what resources or services are available to them in our community. It will be a great learning experience, and it should also be fun for everyone involved!

Susan Forthun  
SADD Advisor

## Counseling News

Williston High School  
Mrs. Wick and Miss Koperski  
Counselors  
November 2004

### Scholarships

- ❖ Please check the counseling web-site at [www.williston.k12.nd.us/](http://www.williston.k12.nd.us/) for more scholarships. As scholarships arrive in the office, they are put on this site. Some of the scholarships can be down loaded and completed on line.
- ❖ **2005 SAE Engineering Scholarship** – Application is in the counselors' office. The deadline for the application is December 1. You must be a high school senior at the date of application, intend to earn a degree in engineering or related science, be a US citizen and meet minimum requirement with regard to grade point average, SAT or ACT. You can also use the on line application at [www.sae.org/students/engschlr.htm](http://www.sae.org/students/engschlr.htm)
- ❖ **Principal's Leadership Award** program offers a scholarship for leadership and service in high school and in the community. This is a recognition scholarship. The application is in the counselors' office. The deadline is December 3.
- ❖ **The Art Institutes** system offers a scholarship for study at their schools. It covers tuition only. The deadline is March 1, 2005. The application is in the counselors' office or on line at [www.artinstitutes.edu](http://www.artinstitutes.edu)
- ❖ **VFW** sponsors several scholarships. Check on their web site at [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org) under programs.
- ❖ **United States Senate Youth Program** is for juniors or seniors. This program brings students to the United States Capital to view first hand how our government works. Apply on line at [www.dpi.state.nd.us](http://www.dpi.state.nd.us)
- ❖ **Toyota Community Scholars** for seniors is based upon academics, leadership and on community service. The deadline to return to the counselors' office is November 22.

- ❖ **Native American/Alaskan Natural Resource Students Scholarship** is offered for high school seniors who plan to study in the area of natural resources. The deadline date is April 1, 2005. Information and an application can be found at [www.itcnet.org](http://www.itcnet.org)
- ❖ **University of Minnesota** offers an honors program scholarship. You first must be admitted to the University of Minnesota. Priority deadline to submit your complete honors programs application is January 15, 2005.
- ❖ **AXA Achievement Scholarship** is given to fifty-two students in the amount of \$10,000 and ten students will receive a \$15,000 award. It is based upon how well rounded you are, how determined you are to do your personal best and have demonstrated achievement at a job, sport, or extracurricular activity. The deadline is December 15.
- ❖ **JUNIORS – Discover Card Tribute Award Scholarship** program recognizes excellence in high school juniors. The award is based upon 2.75 GPA or higher, special talents, leadership, obstacles overcome and community service. The application can be found on line at [www.aasa.org/discover.htm](http://www.aasa.org/discover.htm) or in the counselors' office. The deadline is January 7, 2005.
- ❖ **College STEPS program** offers a college tuition scholarship of \$1,000. To register for a chance to win, enroll in the College STEPS program. To sign up, go to [www.wellsfargo.com/collegesteps](http://www.wellsfargo.com/collegesteps). Deadline to do this is May 30, 2005.
- ❖ Colleges and universities also offer scholarships. Check their web sites for more information.

### Dates to Remember

**October 26** – NDSA for juniors (Required)  
**October 27** – NDSA for juniors (Required)  
**November 2** – NDSA for juniors (Required)  
**November 3** – NDSA for juniors (Required)  
**November 9** – UND at WHS 3:00 P.M.  
**November 18** – NDSU at WHS 3:00 P.M.

### ACT Writing Test

An optional ACT writing test will be offered for the first time in February of 2005. Results will be available for postsecondary institutions to consider for the class entering in fall of 2006. Students who are planning to enter college in the fall of 2006 can take the writing test in the spring of their junior or senior year, depending on the application deadlines and admission policies of the institutions they are considering.

## WEB SITES TO CHECK OUT

North Dakota University System

<http://www.nodak.edu/>

Financial Aid Information

<http://www.finaid.org>

Scholarship Search

<http://www.fastweb.com>

<http://www.collegeboard.com>

Career Explorer - Bridges

<http://cx.bridges.com>

Name: 0041439

Password: coyote

State Library

<http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>

Community Library

<http://www.wcl-union.williston.lib.nd.us>

Midwest Dairy Council

<http://www.midwestdairy.com>

<http://www.nutritionexplorations.org>

<http://www.nationaldairycouncil.org>

<http://www.ilovecheese.com>

<http://www.whymilk.com>

## Close Up

Close Up Washington is an exciting week-long study visit to the nation's capital where the students gain the opportunity to experience our government and the political process firsthand. This year's trip will take place in early April.

The Close Up Washington week is a carefully organized series of activities designed to give the students a look at the process of government. The program will contain six to eight seminars, each featuring a different Washington expert. Students will have an opportunity to meet with our state's representative and senators and visit famous monuments. The last day, before our return, the students are given a chance to explore the sites that are most appealing to them.

Interested parents or students may contact Mr. Mack at the Williston High School in room 109.

Chris Mack  
Close Up Advisor

## Williston High School PTO

The WHS PTO had its first meeting on Sunday October 10, 2004. Lila Smith has graciously accepted the presidency for this year. The PTO is being organized in an effort to have more activities set up for high school students. All parents are welcome to come and give ideas and help.

The next meeting will be held Sunday, November 14 at 5:30 P.M. in room 105 at Williston High School. Please join us!!!!

A special thank you goes out to Lila Smith and the volleyball mom's who helped set up the October 29 Halloween Party for high school students. A lot of planning and effort went in to this event!!! Thanks to all who helped!!!!!!

Pat Axtman  
Coordinator

### DID YOU KNOW?

WHS daily announcements  
can be found on our web site at  
[www.williston.k12.nd.us/](http://www.williston.k12.nd.us/)

## DRESS CODE

(at school or school sponsored events)

Students are expected to have appropriate appearance at all times. Inappropriate appearance includes, but is not limited to the following: Excessively torn or tattered clothing, clothing which is in poor taste, with obscene words or pictures, pants worn in a fashion that exposes underwear, Hooters, Co-ed Naked, Johnson or SPC shirts, spaghetti straps and tank tops, colored hair or hair style or body piercing that draws attention from the learning process.

Because Williston High School promotes a healthy lifestyle, promotion of tobacco, alcohol or illicit drugs through student dress, including caps will not be allowed. Students who habitually violate this code of conduct will be subject to disciplinary action.

Wearing of hats or caps by either girls or boys will not be allowed. Common courtesy dictates the removal of hats, upon entering the building, as a sign of respect.

## Learning Spanish is...

Mrs. Tracey's Spanish I students reflected upon their experience learning a new language and expressed that experience in the form of a metaphor. The students also wrote the abstract relation between the two elements.

### Learning Spanish is:

#### . an animal

- it can be either easy or difficult to understand
- it can be vicious and wild
- it needs to be fed the right nutrition to grow
- it grows wiser as it becomes bigger
- it may take unexpected twists or turns that will leave you stunned

#### Taylor Grunstad

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#### . a pipe

- sometimes it's clean
- the other times it's either clogged or broken

#### Jacob Bruce

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#### . a present

- it keeps on giving
- it is always a surprise when you open it
- it comes in all sizes

#### Kyle Mayer

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#### . a baby

- it has to begin to develop
- it has to be nourished properly
- it has to be fed everyday
- it has to be taught correctly
- needs someone there for its problems or needs
- it needs its space to grow big enough to do things on its own

#### Charnelle Brunelle

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#### . a rap song

- you can't understand it
- it's hard to say/pronounce
- they both spell things funny
- they both do funny things when saying/pronouncing them

#### Ashley Oyloe

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#### . a jungle

- sometimes it can be hard to get through it
- new species or words are learned about everyday
- you can get lost if you don't study your surroundings
- sometimes there is no way out unless you think about what to do

#### Haley Vorgert

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#### . a pyramid

- it must have a proper plan
- it must have a strong foundation
- new levels cannot be built until previous levels have been completed
- it needs a purpose
- it ends eventually

#### Ross Byerly

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#### . a piece of pie

- it is always fun to have
- it's a great thing to receive
- the server gives out generous amounts
- people enjoy it

#### Kilee Sundt

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#### . an ice cream cone

- enjoyable
- easy to get
- liked by most

#### Mitch Schenstad

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#### . Slip knot

- it's crazy
- hard to understand sometimes
- lots of people like it
- lots of people don't

#### Dustin "Herberto" Gonzales

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LeAnne Tracey  
Spanish Instructor



## Ancient World History On the Internet

[www.oldhistory.com](http://www.oldhistory.com)

Parents:

Those students who are taking Ancient World History from Mr. Larsen have the advantage of studying and reviewing the course on the Internet. Mr. Larsen has created an interactive online "Web-Textbook" that is freely available to students and community members worldwide.

The web-textbook shadows and compliments what is taught in class.

In addition, some of the most recent chapters would include what is taught in Modern World History. New material is added weekly.

The web-textbook consists of text, multiple-choice questions, animated graphics, photographs, drawings, maps, and even quizzes that students may take to gauge the progress of their learning.

Audio Quick Time movies pronounce key or difficult names and words for students.

The web-text is accessible from any home Internet computer, the library, the tutoring room and two student computers in Mr. Larsen's classroom.

Once again, the URL for the web-text is  
[www.oldhistory.com](http://www.oldhistory.com)

Larry Larsen

## ATTENTION PARENTS OF MRS. TRACEY'S SPANISH STUDENTS

Mrs. Tracey sent a newsletter home for parents of Spanish students on October 8. If you did not read this newsletter, ask your child about it. In one particular section, parents were to sign and return a portion to class. Mrs. Tracey wants all parents of Spanish students to be informed and plans to send a newsletter home each month. The next newsletter should be coming home the first week of November. Don't forget to read Mrs. Tracey's articles in this publication also!!

LeAnne Tracey  
Spanish Instructor

## Audition Results

The following students have been selected by audition to represent WHS at the International Festival of Music which will be held on the campus of Minot State University on November 5 and 6. The festival band and choir will rehearse all day Friday and Saturday, and perform a concert on Saturday night.

Band members are:

**Courtney Nelson – Tenor Sax**  
**James Imes – Trombone**  
**Sarah Pozgay – Flute**  
**Sean Schoepp - Percussion**

Mixed Choir members are:

**Martina Mastalka – Soprano**  
**Sarah Stockman – Soprano**  
**Joanna Oleksik – Alto**  
**Michael Gjorven – Bass**

Women's Choir members are:

**Becky Parker – Soprano**  
**Cherisse Parker – Soprano**  
**Erin Anderson – Soprano**  
**Brianna Skavlem – Soprano**  
**Kayla Stamp – Soprano**

Herb Parker  
Choir Instructor

## PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent-Teacher conferences are going to be held November 16 and 18. It is a time when teacher and parents can get together and talk about the progress of the student in his or her various classes. It is a time that both teachers and students look forward to with a combination of excitement and anxiety. Part of this anxiety may arise from a sense of being adversaries rather than co-operating parties.

What should be a time of mutual interest sometimes turns into a time of conflict. If teachers and parents see what they have in common rather than what may be dividing them, parent-teacher conferences can be a time to create some good, strong working relationships, regardless of what is printed on the report card.

First, parents and teachers both have the same goal: to have the student succeed and feel good about what is going on in school. In addition to that, teachers and parents are both concerned that the student is learning the skills needed to succeed after high school.

Second, parents and teachers both have a unique view of the student. The parents see the student outside of school; the teacher sees the student in school. Many times, this is not the same view. So it is important for both parties to listen to the others point of view to get a more rounded view of the student.

Third, into every life a bit of rain will fall. There are times when there is a problem with a student's grades or behavior. It is in these situations where the two parties really need to communicate and explain what they see happening. This should never be a time of accusation or reproach, but instead it should be a time when both parties listen and then work toward a solution that will not be overbearing on any of the parties involved.

For the most part, during this time all goes pretty well, but something seems to be missing from the

whole equation: the student. It only seems natural to include the student in parent-teacher conferences. It is, after all, the student who is doing the work, going to classes, establishing a relationship with the teacher. It is only the student who can talk about what is or is not working for them in school. Often students are as intimidated talking to teachers as parents can be, so having both parties there can often help make things easier, rather than more difficult.

Each year, a challenge is presented to me students. "Come to parent-teacher conferences with your parents so we can all talk together about what is happening in class." I have had some students who have taken me up on the challenge, and it has always proven to be a very useful time. The students come away from the conference with a sense that they are an important part of the process. It gives them a chance to talk about what is going on in school with the other two interested parties. It gives the parent, the teacher, and the student a chance to set goals and create a plan for success. To paraphrase an old saw, it gets everybody on the same page, not just in the same book.

If this is your first chance to attend parent-teacher conferences at the high school, we wish you a warm welcome. If you are one of our "veteran parents" and you know a set of "rookie parents", encourage them to come. Take time to chat with them about how conferences have gone for you in the past. It is my hope it has gone well.

Often when I ask my students if their parents are coming to conferences they say, "No." When I ask why, they reply, "They don't care." I would hope all parents would care enough to give up some time to learn more about and have more input into their student's school life. The student may not want you to come, but it seems they notice when you don't!

Jim Geiermann  
English Instructor



## Economart Slips

Williston Senior High School has the opportunity to earn free equipment by collecting cash register tapes from Economart. This register tape collection program called S.O.S. (Support Our Schools) will allow us to collect 1% of all cash register receipts from Economart. This money will allow us to purchase everything from computers and textbooks to basketballs and drivers training vehicles.

We encourage you to save Economart cash registers tapes and send them to Williston Senior High School. Together, we can improve the quality of our children's education while easing the financial burden on our school.

## ART CLASSES

With the addition of Anna Hoffman to the Art Department, things again have been whistling in the Ceramic Studio at WHS. Lots of creative things are happening. Mr. Sundt's classes have been busy paper macheing screamers, studying master artists, creating design elements and painting still lifes. Never a dull moment! Come visit the art room at conferences on the 16 and 18 of November. Students work will be on display.

Clif Sundt  
Art Club Advisor

## Daily Announcements/Monthly Newsletter Online

The WHS daily announcements and monthly newsletter are available in two locations:

1. <http://www.williston.k12.nd.us/whs/> and click on announcements or newsletter
2. Through PowerSchool parent/student access and click on "School Bulletin". There are links to both the announcements and newsletter in this area as well.

## STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Homecoming was a hit and now we're getting ready to hit off Christmas. We are currently working on many projects for the month of December. We are helping out with the Christmas Kindness Project again this year and to help out with that we are asking all the "In the Zone" rooms to give a donation. The money raised will go towards our Christmas Kindness Project.

We are getting ready to go to our Student Council Convention held in Bismarck, N.D. We will be attending this convention to help us come up with more ways to help our school and community, and also to have fun and interact with student council members from across the state. We will be attending the convention December 12 – 14. Serena Christianson is running for "Class A Rep". Her theme is going to be "Vote for Serena the Sheriff for Class A Rep".

We are also putting on a Christmas assembly to send off everyone to the Christmas break merrily.

Sherisa Dickerson  
Student Council Secretary

