



The Coyote Howl

“Principal’s Page”

Winter Activities

Well, I just got back from the state volleyball championships and can’t believe that the fall activities are over and the ice is on at the Agri and we are in the winter season. The weather is still very mild and it seems like school just started only a few days ago. My, how time has flown this school year!

Frosh Interviews

If your freshman son/daughter has come home and stated he/she was in the office, they are correct. The administration and counseling staff are working together to communicate with every freshman student at WHS. We are asking how things are going with the transition from the middle school to the high school and several questions dealing with academics and extra-curricular activities. We hope, through having these interviews, we will be able to put a name with a face and develop a positive working relationship with your child.

Ministerial Association

Mr. Larson, Mr. Hanson and I met with a small group of pastors this past month. The discussion was very helpful to both parties. One topic that was presented was how Wednesday has always been designated as church night. We talked about this and reviewed the district policy on Wednesday evening activities with the pastors. Here is what was discussed:

- Generally, no school activities will be scheduled on Wednesday evenings or Sundays according to the following schedule: (Parents must guide and help their children learn how to make healthy choices in their lives, such as conflicts between school and church activities. However, no staff member, lay or professional, is to discriminate against any student

because that student chooses a church activity over a school activity during the “restricted” times.)

- Freshman activities: Generally, no school activities are to be held on Wednesdays after 6 PM.
- Sophomore-Varsity activities: Generally, no Wednesday school activities including music, athletics and dramatics after 8 PM.

Koins For Katrina

The student body did a wonderful job collecting donations for the hurricane Katrina relief effort. Five thousand dollars was raised by the student body to assist WHS alumni who were living in the New Orleans area when the hurricane struck. Five different families were mailed an early Christmas present because of the efforts of our young people here at WHS. Great job folks!!!!

Professionally yours,

Chris Kittleson, Principal
Williston High School
“Go Coyotes”

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FFA NEWS

We would like to thank everyone who supported the FFA in our activities this fall.

Chevy Scholarship Program

The Chevy pickup giveaway was a success. We sold over 600 tickets. We would like to thank Murphy Motors for their support in this activity. The funds will help support FFA activities throughout the year such as members attending leadership conferences, state conventions and will provide scholarships to seniors.

Spaghetti Dinner

We also thank the numerous businesses throughout the community that provide us with materials for our dinner and who sponsored meals for the individuals that we delivered meals to. We would also like to thank the parents that helped with our spaghetti dinner. We delivered many meals to individuals in our community. These individuals were very grateful for the meal.

Fruit Sales

Our annual fruit sales ran through November 23 with presales taken during that time. The fruit will be delivered the week of December 12. If you haven't been contacted and would like to purchase fruit, please call any FFA member or Mr. Pepple at 572-0967.

Greenhand, Made for Excellence and Advanced Leadership Development Conferences

On January 7 & 8, members will have the opportunity to attend leadership conferences in Bismarck. The Greenhand Conference is for first year members to learn more about the FFA and meet other members from around the state. The Made for Excellence Conference is for second year members to develop their leadership skills and set some personal goals. The Advanced Leadership Development Conference is for third and fourth year members to further develop their leadership skills.

Wes Pepple
FFA Advisor

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, the trip will take place **March 19 - 25, 2006**.

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

**All Sport Schedules can now
be viewed online at:
<http://www.viewmyschedule.com>**

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:

1. Excessively torn or tattered clothing
2. Clothing which is in poor taste, too revealing (this includes both shirt and skirt length), clothing containing obscene words or pictures.
3. Clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco or bars
4. Hooters, Co-ed Naked, Big Johnson, Playboy bunny or similar items
5. Spaghetti straps, tank tops, shirts that expose the midriff or décolletage
6. Colored hair or body piercing that draws attention from the learning process
7. Chains hanging from clothing
8. No sheer or gauze fabrics

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.

Counseling News

Williston High School
Mrs. Wick and Miss Koperski
Counselors
December 2005

Scholarships

AXA Achievement Scholarship is for seniors who demonstrate ambition and drive, determination to set and reach goals, who has respect for self, family and community and the ability to succeed in college. Go to www.axa-achievement.com to learn more about the program or to download an application. The deadline is December 15.

Alert Magazine offers a chance to speak out and win a \$500 scholarship. You must be a senior or will be a senior in the fall, have a GPA of 2.5 and plan to attend college after graduation. It is an essay about a personal encounter you or someone you know has had with drug and/or alcohol abuse. Information is in the counselors' office.

North Dakota School Counselor Association Essay Contest is for seniors. The topic is "How has my school counselor helped me prepare for the future?" The amount of the scholarship is \$100 and the deadline is January 6.

UND Pacesetter Scholarship is for seniors who plan to attend UND in the fall of 2006. Students must notify the counselors by December 2.

Lewis and Clark Elementary has an alumni scholarship for seniors who attended Lewis and Clark Elementary. The deadline date is April 21. Applications are in the counselors' office.

Burger King Scholarship Program is for seniors who demonstrate participation in community service, work part time an average of 15 hours per week and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher. The deadline to apply is December 15.

Farm Credit Services is for seniors whose family is actively farming or ranching or the student is planning to pursue a career in agriculture. The application has a deadline of March 1. Applications are in the counselors' office.

AAA Travel Award is for seniors. For additional information, visit www.aaa.com/TravelChallenge.

Western Cooperative Credit Union offers the opportunity to apply for one of eight scholarships of \$500 each to seniors who are or whose parents are members of the credit union. Applications are in the counselors' office. The deadline is March 31.

Ronald McDonald House Charities offer scholarships to students from communities who face limited access to educational and career opportunities. Applications are in the counselors' office. The deadline is January 17.

North Dakota Farmers Union offers several scholarships for seniors. There are various deadline dates and qualifications. A brochure is in the counselors' office or can be found online at www.ndfu.org.

National Federation of Independent Businesses offers a scholarship opportunity to high school seniors who are young entrepreneurs. Information can be found online at www.NFIB.com/YEF.

Dates To Remember

January 6 – Registration for February 11 ACT

testGear

WHS has had a site license for testGear purchased by Student Loans of North Dakota. testGear is an online tool that gives students the practice they need to reach their full potential on the college entrance exam ACT. This online learning system adapts to each student's needs by targeting their weaknesses and helping them to build necessary skills. Workshops will be held this fall for students and their parents to attend in order to learn how to best utilize the program. To access testGear go to www.access.bridges.com. Specific information to access this website can be found in the counselors' office.

Parents of Sophomore Students

Your sophomore received information from their English teacher about a Leadership opportunity for them in the summer of 2006. Each year, the North Dakota Leadership Seminar is held at the University of Mary in Bismarck. This year's seminar marks 25 years of providing an amazing leadership conference for high school sophomores of North Dakota. There is no cost to the student who is selected – except for transportation to Bismarck. Students who are interested must complete a small essay of 75 to 100 words describing the most rewarding and challenging aspect of being a leader in their community and return that to the counselors' office. The deadline for this is December 6. You can visit their website for more information at www.ndleadership.org or call Mrs. Wick.

ART EXHIBIT

The high school art department will be having their first semester Art Exhibit at James Memorial Center for Visual Arts in the Main Gallery at 621 1st Avenue West on January 6 from 6 to 9 PM and January 7 & 8 from 1 to 4 PM. On display will be Ceramic and 3-D Art projects from Mrs. Hoffman's classes and Painting, Drawing and Intro to Art projects from Mr. Sundt's classes. Refreshments will be served.

Clif Sundt
Art Instructor

SADD News

With membership presently at fifty-two, WHS SADD is keeping very busy. November activities included visits to the WMS health classes during the Great American Smokeout. WHS SADD members talked to the health classes about the dangers of tobacco use. December 7, SADD members, along with Region I Safe Communities will host the "Be Amazed - Teen Maze" activity at Williston High School. That day, sophomores will be given make-believe scenarios, and then meet with different resources from the community who would be involved if the student had a similar real-life situation occur. SADD members have also signed up to be Lunch Buddies for area elementary students, and hope to get started visiting elementary students soon. Once again, WHS SADD is planning to host a New Year's Eve dance. This year the dance will be held at the high school, and it will be bigger and better than past year. All high school students will be encouraged to attend!

Susan Forthun
SADD Advisor

SENIOR HALLOWEEN PARTY SUMMARY

The Annual Senior Halloween Party was held at the Elks on Halloween night from 8 PM until midnight. Once again, the turnout was amazing with at least 120 seniors in attendance. With costumes mandatory, there were superheroes, fairies, cowgirls, All Star Wrestlers, the Anchormen news crew, and the cast of the Wizard of Oz just to name a few. In fact, it is quite possible that some of these "characters" visited you during the scavenger hunt looking for such items as duct tape, a pog, red ribbon, white marble, or a WHS freshman! After the scavenger hunt, the seniors ate delicious food provided by their parents, played a few games, and were entertained by some special "seniors".

The planning committee would like to thank all the seniors and the many parents who attended. Special thanks go to Kelly and Marcy Everson of SK&S and Rich and Kathy Vestal of Red River Supply for their generous cash donations. Also, thanks to Walt's Market for matching our funds towards the hamburger. Many other local businesses (too numerous to mention) also donated gift certificates as prizes for the best costumes and the scavenger hunt.

This party has become a wonderful tradition over the years! Thank you again to all who helped out in any way.

SENIOR PICTURES

All senior pictures that are going in the annual need to be turned in to Mrs. Schultz no later than
January 1, 2006.

S.O.S. ECONOMART RECEIPTS

Williston Senior High School has the opportunity to earn free equipment by collecting cash register tapes from Economart. This register tape collection program, call 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 register 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.

Deadline to turn in receipts is December 31, 2005.

Health & Wellness Fair

Once again, the annual Health and Wellness Fair will be held at Williston High School on Wednesday, January 25, 2006 during the teacher in-service.

The 32 Panel Blood Draw will begin at 6 AM and run until 10 AM. The Bone Density will only be here from that same time instead of running until noon as it did in the past.

We will also have the cholesterol, blood sugar checks and blood pressure from 6 to 10 AM. From 8 to noon will be the Body Mass Index and Massages.

Mid-Term & Nine Week Grading Schedule for WHS

Mid-Term – September 26	(Homeroom)
First Nine Weeks – November 1	(Homeroom)
Mid-Term – December 2	(Homeroom)
Second Nine Weeks – January 18	(Homeroom)
Mid-Term – February 16	(Homeroom)
Third Nine Weeks – March 28	(Homeroom)
Mid-Term – April 28	(Homeroom)
Fourth Nine Weeks Report Card Will Be Mailed	

Rosie, the Riveter, Revisited Anything Boys Can Do, Girls Can Do Better!

Rosie, the Riveter, Revisited is a new program for girls in grades 7-12 to learn things they will need to know to be independent. Independent means doing things without that ever so present, know it all, MAN! There will be three types of classes.

- ⌘ The first session will center on that oh, so, indispensable car. The girls will be introduced to a short orientation of Automotive Technology. They will learn the mechanics of changing oil in their vehicle along with winterizing it and safely inspecting and rotating their tires. The first session is scheduled for December 3. Grades 9-12 will have class from 8-12 PM with a short break in the middle and Grades 7-8 will have class from 1-5 PM with a short break. The second class will be planned at the conclusion of the first. The instructor for this session will be Mr. David Bauer.
- ⌘ The second session, offered in the spring of 2006, will teach girls how to design the layout of their dream home. They will also have the opportunity to decorate it with the latest interior. The instructor for this session will be Mr. Dennis Hoffer.
- ⌘ The third session will also be offered in the spring of 2006. In this session students will be using the new state of the art modules at the middle school. These modules will introduce students to rocket and space technology, electronics, robotics, flight aviation, energy, power and mechanics. The instructor for this session will be Mr. Marc Davis.

All classes will be offered free of charge and a t-shirt will be given to each girl who completes one full 8 hour session. Space is limited to 20 so register early. Registration sheets will be in the office at Williston High School and Williston Middle School. Pizza will also be served at the conclusion of each session.

Come, have fun, learn new skills, while at the same time prove that, girls are better than boys!

WHS ALACARTE

*In the cafeteria
From 7:30 AM to 1 PM*

*Choose from a variety of healthy options!!
Bagels-Chef Salads-Subs
Granola Bars-Ice Cream-Fruit*

You can use your lunch card!!

LOOKING FOR INFORMATION ON PARENTING? CHECK OUT YOUR LOCAL PARENT RESOURCE CENTER!

Along with the many parenting programs available, the PARENT RESOURCE CENTER has a lending library where parents can check out books or videos on a variety of parenting topics. Whether it is through one of our many parenting programs or the Resource Library, the PARENT RESOURCE CENTER has information for every parent. If you'd like to learn more, receive information or find out how parenting programs can be offered in your area, workplace, church or other places parents gather, please call **572-5863**.

The PARENT RESOURCE CENTER'S SPRING 2006

Parenting Program schedule begins in January 2006 and includes:

- **BECOMING A LOVE AND LOGIC PARENT (January)**
- **BUILDING BRIGHT FUTURES - Parenting Children Who Have Attention Deficits (January)**
- **POSTIVIE PARENTING OF TEENS (10 - 15) (February)**
- **DESIGNING A DYNAMIC STEPFAMILY (March)**
- **AND MORE!**

Watch your school newsletter or call **572-5863** for information on these upcoming 2006 parenting programs!

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS/MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS ONLINE!!

The WHS daily announcements and monthly newsletters are available to view in two locations:

1. 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 newsletters in this area as well.

Senior Parents

Now is the time to apply for your electronic PIN number for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or FAFSA. The PIN web site is www.pin.ed.gov. You are encouraged to complete your FAFSA on line at www.fafsa.ed.gov as early as possible, but no earlier than January 1, 2006. Watch for work shop dates that will explain how to complete the form. If you have questions, call the counseling office.

HONOR CHOIR/BAND

The following students have been selected by live audition to the **UND Honor Choir and Honor Band** to be held at the University of North Dakota on January 20 – 22.

Choir

Erin A.

Bryce H.

Ben R.

Sean S.

Brianna S.-Alternate

Band

Serena C.

Kelly H.

Stuart N.

Nylo H.-Alternate

Sarah P.-Alternate

Herb Parker
Choir Director

