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"Principal's Page"

Well, I cannot believe we are almost done with the fall sports calendar. Our teams have been working very hard and playoffs are just around the corner. Make sure you check out both channel 19 and <u>www.viewmyschedule.com</u> in order to find out where your favorite Coyote sports team is playing.

Because of the recent events with the Amish community, the doors at WHS will be locked during the school day. The doors will be open at 7:45 AM until 8:15 AM. The doors will be reopened at 8:45 AM and then locked at 9:15 AM. The front doors on Highland will be open throughout the day.

Bye Bye Birdie

Our first musical in over a decade will be held in the auditorium in November. The dates and times are **November 17 & 19 at 7 PM and November 18 at 2 PM.**

I wish to thank all of the sponsors who helped with costumes, lighting and set construction. Please mark these dates on your calendar and help support the fine arts department of Williston High School.

Region 1 Safe Communities Coalition

The Region 1 Safe Communities Coalition is going to put together a directory of all the WHS parents who have committed to providing a safe and drug/alcohol free environment for both their children and yours. Information and a signup sheet were included in last months *"The Coyote Howl"*. If you are interested in participating, please stop in the front office and fill out the form needed. The directory will be made available once the names have been collected.

Franks With Frankenstein

Our fourth annual *"Fright Night"* will be held on October 27. We will be watching the original *"Frankenstein"* and then having burgers and brats. Door prizes will be handed out to the students during the event. The second movie will be the parody of Frankenstein, "Young Frankenstein" by Mel Brooks. Thanks to the "Coyotes Den/PTO" for gathering the door prizes and food.

<u>Parent/Teacher</u> <u>Conferences</u>

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, November 2 and Monday, November 6 from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM in the field house. Conferences are important as they provide an opportunity for you to talk with instructors and discuss your son/daughter's progress. Don't forget to "fall back" from daylight savings time on October 28.

Dates to Remember

November 3 – Report Card Day November 8 - Early release day (students dismissed at 1:56) November 10 – Veteran's Day (No School) November 23 & 24 – Thanksgiving Break (No School)

Sincerely,

Chris Kittleson Principal

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are excused absences <u>with an</u> <u>advance make-up slip</u>, but <u>DO</u> count against our 8/16 and testing policies.

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
- 9. Boys sleeveless shirts

Violation of the dress code will result in these actions: First offense: Student sent to administrative office and problem is corrected.

Second offense: Student removed from school and put into inhouse suspension.

Third offense: Suspension from school for three days.

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.

Violation of the hat policy will result in these actions:

First offense: Surrender cap to adult requesting the cap. It will be given to administration and given back at the end of the day.

Second offense: Surrender cap to adult requesting the cap. It will be given to administration and parent will need to stop by and it will be returned.

Third offense: Cap will be confiscated for the remainder of the school year. Each subsequent violation will result in an additional cap being taken for the remainder of the year.

Mid-Term & Nine Week Grading Schedule for WHS

Mid-Term – September 28	(Homeroom)
First Nine Weeks – November 1	(Homeroom)
Mid-Term – December 7	(Homeroom)
Second Nine Weeks – January 15	(Homeroom)
Mid-Term – February 12	(Homeroom)
Third Nine Weeks – March 26	(Homeroom)
Mid-Term – April 26	(Homeroom)
Fourth Nine Weeks Report Card Will Be Mailed	

SADD Turns 25: Lighting the Way!

The teen years can be full of challenges, with the right answers hard to see. For 25 years, SADD has worked hard to reduce destructive decisions. SADD will continue to light the way to positive choices for future generations of youth. This fall, throughout the country, chapters celebrated SADD's 25th birthday.

WHS SADD students visited elementary students during Red Ribbon week and helped them make lanterns to represent SADD's commitment as well as the students' commitment to making positive choices. WHS SADD also hosted an afternoon workshop for Williston, Ray and Trinity Christian Middle School students. WHS students led them in games, team building activities and small group discussions. The workshop ended with a lantern lighting ceremony and a celebration birthday party!

This year, Red Ribbon Week was celebrated at WHS. On Monday, students saw a video about SADD's history- how it began and how it has changed in 25 years. On Wednesday, everyone was encouraged to wear red. Friday, SADD hosted a birthday party, and cake and ice cream was served to staff and students.

WHS SADD thanks students, staff, parents, and community for the support the past seven years. WHS SADD will continue light the way for the future.

Susan Forthun SADD Advisor

Counseling News

Williston High School Miss Koperski and Ms. Forthun Counselors November 2006

Scholarships

Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) offers an **SAE Engineering Scholarship** for specific schools as well as schools in general. The deadline for the application is December 1. Amounts range from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Information and the application can be found at <u>http://www.sae.org/students/engschlr.htm</u>.

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 <u>www.axa-</u> <u>achievement.com</u> to learn more about the program and to

download an application. The deadline is December 15. **Zachary Robert Anderson Wrestling Scholarship** has been set up by Zach's family to help a student with financial needs for school. Open to male and female athletes either graduating from high school or already attending college. The applicant must be a graduate of one of the following counties: Custer, Daniels, Dawson, Fallon, Phillips, Prairie, Richland, Roosevelt, Sheridan, Valley or Williams. The deadline is November 1.

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Scholarship Program offers "The Voice of Democracy Program" open to students in grades 9-12. Students compete by writing and recording a broadcast script on an annual patriotic theme. The deadline is November 1.

Principal's Leadership Award is an opportunity to recognize a student leader by nominating the student for national scholarship of \$1,000. This must be returned to the counselors' office by November 18. Applications can be found in the counselors' office.

Toyota Community Scholars Scholarship recognizes seniors who have an outstanding academic record, are an effective leader and have a well documented record of service both within and outside the school setting. The deadline is December 2.

Burger King Scholars Program offers scholarships to high school seniors based upon working part time, participation in community service and demonstrating financial need. The date to return the application to the counselors' office is December 11. Applications are in the counselors' office or online at www.bkmfounation.com

Wal-Mart Stores are announcing the availability of the **2007 Sam Walton Community Scholarship.** This scholarship is available online from November 1 through January 12, 2007. Interested graduating high school seniors need to log on to www.walmartfoundation.org for more information. Students will apply for the scholarship online at

www.scholarshipadministrators.net. You must use the access code SWCS to complete the application process.

Careers in Agriculture Scholarship Program offers many scholarships for students who are in agriculture classes or interested in a career in agriculture. Check with Mr. Pepple in the agriculture room for information or view the booklet in the counselors' office.

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.

The National CO-OP Scholarship Program, in cooperation with 11NCCE Colleges and universities offers renewable merit scholarships to high school seniors who plan to attend one of the participating schools. For more information or an application, go to <u>http://www.co-op.edu/</u>

Elks Legacy Awards Scholarship Contest provides educational assistance to children and grandchildren of Elk members who are high school seniors, going on to college, and exhibit the core values of the Elks National Foundation: Knowledge, Charity, Community, and Integrity. For more information, go to

http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/legacy.cfm

"Most Valuable Student" Competition Applications for the Elks National Foundation's 2007 Most Valuable Student Contest will be available beginning September 1, 2006 at your local Elks Lodge, online, or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Foundation. Applications for the 2007 contest have to be submitted to your local Elks Lodge by January 12, 2007. For an application or more information, go to <u>http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm</u>

UND has several honor scholarship programs available for pre-freshman and undergraduate transfer students. Financial aid is intended to supplement the financial contributions from the student and family. Students are offered financial assistance in various forms, including scholarships, grants, employment and loan programs. A complete listing of detailed financial aid offerings is available at

www.financialaid.und.edu/aid_eligibility.html

The American Legion has put together a booklet called "Need A Lift", a College Financial Aid Handbook that provides information about various scholarships that are offered by this organization. To look through this booklet, please visit the counselors' office.

Holocaust Remembrance Project is a national essay contest for high school students and is designed to encourage and promote the study of the Holocaust. For an application, visit their website at <u>www.holocaust.hklaw.com</u>. The deadline is April 30, 2007. **Montana State University at Bozeman** offers a scholarship to non-residents. Information can be found at http://apply.embark.com/ugrad/montanastate/

Minnesota State University Moorhead has many scholarship opportunities for the 2006-07 school year. Visit their website at www.mnstate.edu/finaid

FastWeb!

This is a resource for students to help find money for college. You might even win a scholarship. You can also find your dream college. Check this site out at <u>www.fastweb.com</u>

Scholarships.com

This is a great source to help find money for college. They are a provider of trusted and reliable scholarship and financial aid information.

ACT Registration

Williston High School Code: 351-880

The number of students who register for the ACT online has steadily increased each year. Nearly half of the WHS students who wrote the ACT last year registered online. The flier is located in the counselors' office that will guide you through that process. The traditional method of registration can still be done, and those packets are in the counselors' office as well. The cost of writing the ACT is \$29 without the writing test and \$43 if you select to do the writing. The deadline for the December 9 assessment is November 3. The deadline for the February 10 assessment is January 5. To register online, go to www.actstudent.org.

Dates To Remember

November 1 & 2 – ND State Assessment for juniors November 3 – Deadline for December ACT

College Rep Visits (in commons area)

October 31 – Dickinson State University @ 3 PM November 8 – Valley City College @ 8 AM November 30 – North Dakota State College of Science @ 12:15 PM

December 4 – North Dakota State University @ 12:15 PM

University of Mary

University of Mary offers an **Emerging Leaders Honor Day** on their campus. If you are interested in attending this school, check with the counselors on information and dates.

<u>testGear</u>

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 students needs by targeting their weaknesses and helping them to build necessary skills. Stop by the counselors' office to pick up your instructions on how to use the program. Workshops will be held this fall for students and their parents to attend in order to learn how to best utilize the program.

NCAA Clearinghouse Information

Student athletes who plan to attend an NCAA Division I or NCAA Division II college or university and who plan to participate in athletics should go to

www.ncaaclearinghouse.net for information. From the home page, click on "general information." That page has a link to the guide as well as other helpful information regarding the Division I and Division II eligibility rules. Students are also able to register online. At the home page, click on "prospective student athletes," then "domestic student release from".

ND Scholars Program

This program recognizes outstanding ND high school seniors for scholastic achievement as measured by their ACT scores. Those students who are selected must enroll in a ND college or university and will be awarded an in state tuition scholarship. To be considered, you must be scheduled to graduate from a ND high school in 2008, attend a ND college or university and take the ACT on one of the following tests dates:

> December 9 February 10 April 14 June 9

Information is in the counselors' office.

Microsoft Student Select: Get Microsoft Software For Less

North Dakota EduTech, Microsoft, E-Academy, and Software House International have teamed up to provide K-12 students, staff, and parents the opportunity to purchase certain Microsoft products at deep discounts. These products include Microsoft Office 2003 Pro/Standard, Office 2004 Pro/Standard for Mac, OneNote, FrontPage 2003, Visio, Student 2006, Project 2003, and Windows XP Pro Upgrade. Each student can purchase up to one copy/license of each software title.

> Example pricing: Microsoft Office 2003 Professional MSRP: \$499.99 Student Select Pricing: \$69.00

Please contact your student's school to receive your Student Select registration code. See <u>http://edutech.nodak.e-academy.com</u> for licensing, pricing, purchasing, and order fulfillment details.

Two important notes:

1) Windows XP Pro Upgrade must be installed on a machine with a qualifying Microsoft operating system and corresponding Certificate of Authenticity (Windows XP Home, Windows 2000, Windows ME, etc.). You cannot buy a "white box" computer without an operating system and install the Student Select Windows XP Pro Upgrade.

2) These software products are meant for personal or school purposes. The license does not provide for commercial uses (e.g. the Student Select license does not allow you to use this software for a home business).

WHS Tech Department

Atomic Learning

Atomic Learning has great resources for learning how to use software programs for both PC and Macintosh computers. Teachers, students, parents, and community members can use it. To use it at home, go to www.atomiclearning.com In the login box in the upper right hand corner, enter the following:

login: williston Password:(Please get this from your school's office)

After you have logged in, click on either the "Windows Tutorials" or "Macintosh Tutorials". Then select the program and the section(s) you want to view.

NDSU Choral Festival

The following students participated in the NDSU Choral Festival held on the campus of North Dakota State University on Sunday and Monday, October 8 & 9. The students rehearsed for two days and then performed a concert on Monday evening with students from North Dakota and Minnesota.

Mixed Chorus

Lacie K., Soprano Joanna O., Alto Jordan W., Tenor Matt C., Bass

<u>Women's Chorus</u> Kassie A., Soprano 1 Elizabeth S., Soprano 2 Callie C., Alto 1 Courtney K., Alto 2

> Herb Parker Choir Director

Attendance Policy

Please read and familiarize yourselves with the attendance policy that we will be adhering to for the 2006-2007 school year. It can be accessed on the WHS web page or in your student's handbook on pages 5 & 6. Thank you!

Donna Kennedy Attendance Office

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 in **March 2007**.

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

Senior Pictures

All colored senior pictures that are going in the annual need to be turned in to Mrs. Schultz by the end of January.

FFA NEWS

Congratulations to the following FFA members who attended the District Leadership Conference at WSC October 5. **The Chapter Parliamentary Procedure Team received a bronze.** Officers received the following ratings:

> President: John A.-Silver Vice President: Aaron P.-Bronze Secretary: Nathan P.-Bronze Treasurer: Jared M.-Bronze Reporter: Levi K.-Bronze Sentinel: Jason J.-Silver

Greenhand Parliamentary Team 1 received a silver. Officers received the following ratings:

> President: Parker M.-Bronze Vice President: Jordan H.-Bronze Secretary: Garred O.-Silver Treasurer: Jared M.-Silver Reporter: Levi K.-Silver Sentinel: Tanner F.-Silver Advisor: Jon W.-Bronze

Greenhand Parliamentary Team 2 received a bronze. Officers received the following ratings:

> President: Robert K.-Bronze Vice President: Layne L.-Bronze Secretary: Jordan N.-Bronze Treasurer: Jordan E.-Silver Reporter: Tyler E.-Bronze Sentinel: Zachary G.-Silver Advisor: Will R.-Silver

Greenhand Parliamentary Team 3 received a bronze. Officers received the following ratings:

> President: Jon E.-Bronze Vice President: Nevada M.-Bronze Secretary: Nathan P.-Silver Treasurer: Alyssa O.-Bronze Reporter: Alex K.-Bronze Sentinel: Jordan H.-Bronze Advisor: Derek O.-Bronze

Creed Contest-Derek O. received a Silver.

<u>Fruit Sales</u>

The FFA will again be selling fruit (oranges, grapefruit, apples and pears) as well as sausage, cheese and candy. The sales will start October 30 and run until November 22. Fruit will be delivered the week of December 12. If you are interested, please contact an FFA member or call the high school at 572-0967 for more information.

> Wes Pepple FFA Advisor

ON THE RIGHT FOOT Start Walking

"So are you getting your homework done?" the parent says as they knock on the door of the student's room.

"Yeah," comes the reply, light music – or in some cases, not-so-light music, is heard through the door and the parent smiles and walks away happy and content.

Suddenly the theme music from CSI comes blaring out and Grissom and his team of crack Crime Scene Investigators are there to see if indeed a crime has been committed or if it is just a ruse. Carefully they dust everything for fingerprints, even the family dog who has, on occasion, been accused of eating said homework. Nothing is left unnoticed, not even that bologna sandwich that has sat under the bed forgotten for the last two weeks.

"Don't worry, M'am. If this kid has been doing his homework, we'll catch him." Grissom looks into the camera, a wry smile on his face.

[Cut to commercial]

What a great idea! Gil Grissom will help

Then I woke up.

out!

As teachers, we hear an endless number of reasons or excuses as to why homework did not get done. Some make me laugh; others make me wonder about the health of the family pet.

Every once in a while, we get a call or an email from a parent or guardian who insists that their student has handed in the assignment or gotten the work done. It is important to understand that between an assignment being done and the actual arrival of said assignment in a teacher's hand are any number of huge obstacles that would rival a black hole in complexity and danger.

This is not to say that assignments are not sometimes forgotten at home, in the locker, in the back pack that is in the back of a friend's car, or possibly even torn by a family pet. I am sure there are occasions when the printer doesn't work, the computer crashes, and the hard drive does things that we mere mortals are incapable of dealing with or of understanding. It eventually becomes a question of "What really happened?" and, in the teacher's mind, "Why does it keep happening to the same kid all the time?"

Organization can go a long way to helping out with this problem. It can be a challenge for students and adults, keeping everything in its place. (My students chuckle each day at the growing piles of "stuff" on my desk, but I usually find everything.) The use of a planner – writing in assignments, having the teacher make a note about completed work –helps a student keep things straight and on time. Marked folders and notebooks can also help keep things moving smoothly. Purging the back pack every once in a while will help also. Students then do not have to dig through an entire history of the school year to find the assignment needed by the teacher.

Most important in all of this is that the parents are aware of what is going on in school. Questions about classes, looking over the student's work, reviewing vocabulary or history facts can all send two messages. The first is that the parents feel that education is important to the parents. The second is that, even though the student may see it as meddling in their lives, it shows them the parents are concerned about what happens in school.

Communication with teachers is important also. Power School offers a great opportunity for parents to keep tabs on what the student is doing in class. Teacher's in-school emails are on the school website and parents are encouraged to emails teachers when a concern arrives.

The best time is coming soon. As a teacher, I enjoy parent teacher conferences. I get to meet new parents and talk about the good things and the sometimes not so good things that are happening in class. There is always something good to talk about with every parent. It is a shame that more students do not come also. They are indeed the most important part of anything that is said during the conference.

So come to conferences. Help develop a plan with the teachers so that your student will stay on the right foot.

Jim Geiermann English Instructor

WILLISTON HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING 2006 WAS A ROCK'N

The Williston High School Student Council would like to thank everyone for their help and support throughout Homecoming. This year, we had a 50's rock and roll spirit. We would like to give a special thanks to the following:

*WHS Student Council

*Williston Public School Administration, our Athletic Director, custodians and Faculty members.

*Thank you parents for your help with float building AND CHAPERONING. We would also like to thank those parents who brought food to keep our stomachs happy and our minds working.

*Williston high school student body for your support.

*Publicity - Thank you to KEYZ, KYYZ, KXMD, KUMV, and The Herald.

*T-shirt s- We were wearing black this year !!

*Float Building - CORPORATE SPONSORS WHO MAKE ALL FLOAT ACITIVITIES POSSIBLE ARE THE FOLLOWING: AMERICAN STATE BANK, NEMONT, WESTERN CO-OP CREDIT UNION, COCA-COLA/HEDAHLS, AND HOCKEY CLUB, THE FAIRBOARD AND REC. CENTER FOR LETTING US USE THEIR BUILDINGS.

*Coronation - Thanks to our coronation sponsor SK & S Oilfield service. Also, Formal Affair for donating the tuxes, and tech crew, announcement crew and Multi Media class.

*Parade - A special thanks to Williston Honda and Murphy motors for donating the vehicles and to the owners we borrowed vehicles from for our Homecoming court, and to those who judged the floats: Chief of police, chamber, and the mayor.

*Pre Game - Thank you to our sponsor, L&K Electric, American casing, Basin Concrete and Williston RV and Marine for the campers and to everyone that provided the food for the winners of the "Best seat in the house" drawing.

*Half-Time - We would like to give a special thank you to our announcer, Jeff Nelson, who made our half-time show exciting. How about the floats this year! They rocked! The homecoming court looked outstanding all dolled up in their dresses and tuxes.

*Dance - We ended the night with a packed house at the dance. Thank you to the Rec. Center for the use of your building for our dance. Thank you to all the wonderful parents who chaperoned and cleaned up after the dance.

Homecoming would not be as successful as it always is without the help of everyone involved. We apologize if we missed any volunteers in this letter of thanks.

> WHS Student Council Karla Olson, Advisor

<u>Northwest</u> Festival of Music

The following students were selected by audition to the Northwest Festival of Music, which will be held on the campus of Minot State University on Friday and Saturday, November 3 & 4. The students will rehearse all day Friday and Saturday, and then present a concert Saturday evening with students from several area schools who were also selected by audition.

Band

Chelsey G., Clarinet Sarah P., Flute Stuart N., French Horn Amber H., Percussion Brianna S., Tuba Stephanie W., Bass Clarinet Jacob M., Trumpet Women's Chorus Kassie A., Soprano Callie C., Alto Lacie K., Soprano Amanda H., Soprano Elizabeth S., Soprano Abby S., Soprano Mixed Chorus Erin A., Soprano Joanna O., Alto Cherisse P., Soprano Sean S., Tenor Jordan W., Tenor

Williston Public Schools Adopts Wellness Policy

The Williston Public School District is committed to providing a school environment that promotes and protects children's health and well-being by supporting healthy eating and physical activity. The District recognizes that wellnourished and physically active students can reach their highest potential levels of achievement - academically, socially and personally.

In July, 2006 the Williston School Board approved a wellness policy for the district. The policy addresses staff and student wellness, nutrition education and physical activity of students, and the nutritional quality of foods and beverages sold and served in the schools during the school day. The implementation of the wellness policy serves as a starting point for increasing student, staff and parental awareness of the health issues faced today. A copy of the policy is available on the district website: www.williston.k12.nd.state.us. You may also obtain a copy from the District Office or the secretary at your child's school.

Support Our Children Program

Williston Economart is once again implementing the "Support Our Children" program. This is Economart's twenty-third year in giving the 1% to area schools.

Beginning September 13, 2006 and continuing through the fall and holiday season, 1% of each family's grocery bill will be contributed to the school of their choice. All grocery receipts are to be returned to the schools and we are asking the schools coordinators to total the receipt subtotal line and return them to Williston Economart by the first of each month with the totals of the receipts written on the envelope. If you have any questions in regards to the program, please contact Melanie or Kelli at Economart at 572-2927.

We hope that this contribution will help our most valuable resource, our children. Get the word out to all of your students to save receipts and turn them in to your school.

WHS Drama Club Presents: Bye, Bye, Birdie

The Williston High School Drama Club is proud to present Bye, Bye, Birdie. This is the first musical that Williston High School has done in 13 years. It has been a huge undertaking and the students have really done a great job preparing for the show. We have a cast of 40 to 50 students, a pit orchestra of 20 students, and a tech crew of 10 to 15 students. We have been preparing for this show since mid August and are getting very excited and nervous about the upcoming performances. Our performance dates are Friday, November 17 at 7 PM, Saturday, November 18 at 2 PM and Sunday, November 19 at 7 PM. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens, and children ages 6 and under are free. If you would like to purchase tickets, please call the WHS ticket office at 701-572-5618 extension 249. Please be sure to leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. We hope to see you at the show!

> Sarah Tron, Director Ann Koperski, Producer/Assistant Director Eric Rooke, Music Director/Technical Director Katie Rooke, Accompanist

CHECK IT OUT IN THE LIBRARY

It's raining, it's pouring—not cats and dogs but books and tests. It's not hard to locate great books with these new arrivals.

Since school started more than 100 books and AR tests have been processed.

- Sci-fi fans, check out Anne McCaffrey's Pern series where colonists from Earth have genetically altered native creatures to fight the dreaded Thread.
- Fantasy fans, Amelia Atwater-Rhodes' series about shapeshifters (The Kiesha'ra Books 1-4) is hot-hothot.
- Romance fans, experience the blend of heartbreak and rock-n-roll excitement in Sarah Dessen's *This Lullaby*.
- Western fans, saddle up and ride the range with Elmer Kelton's cowboys.
- Sports fans, from hockey to baseball to football, your favorite teams are detailed in the 796 nonfiction area, or try some fiction by David Klass or Chris Crutcher.

Once AR points have been earned, there are some terrific books that don't have tests.

- Sodi Picoult's Vanishing Act
- ✤ John Grisham's latest *The Innocent Man*
- From Baghdad, With Love about a Marine, the war, and a dog named Lava
- The Rescue Artist the story of the investigation into the theft of The Scream, Edvard Munch's famous painting
- The Boys of Winter about the 1980 Olympic hockey team

Your help is appreciated in reminding students to return books. A date-due slip is in the front of every WHS library book, and the date due is stamped there. Students have three weeks to read a book and may renew the book. Some students, however, are not returning or renewing books. As students keep books past the due date, others miss the opportunity of reading those books and, most terribly, books are lost. Students who have books overdue for 3 and 4 weeks will have detention with me. At the fifth week, the student must pay a deposit to check out more books (\$10 for paperback/\$20 for hardcover). Students are reminded by their fourth period teachers about overdue books, and there are periodic announcements to check the date due slip. If a student loses a book, the replacement cost must be paid. If the book is later found, the money will be refunded. It's not the best system, but every book lost is money not spent on new books or new AR tests.

Happy Book Hunting! Miss Snyder, Library Media Specialist