

February 2020



Box Tops....Please send in your box tops and Best Choice UPC labels this month if possible. We will submit in March and again in the fall. Thanks for helping our school earn points!!









Once again Corsica/Stickney Elementary won the Traveling Turkey Award for collecting the most items for the Aurora County Food Bank Christmas box donations. Pictured left is C/S Elementary student council president, Jett Kemp with the traveling turkey trophy.

SCIENCE FAIR

Science Fair projects are underway. The 5th/6th grade will present their projects in Stickney on Feb. 7th from 1-3pm, public welcome. The local science fair for 6-11th will be in Corsica on Feb. 13, open to the public from 3 to 4:30pm.









Director Andera and her thespians performed two plays after some delicious desserts on Feb. 10th. The noncompetitive, Check Please and the one they took to competition, Break Up Complete. Both plays were about dating mishaps and breaking up with your significant other. The competitive performed in Mitchell on Feb. 23rd and received 3rd place, which is also an alternate to the State. The following five actors received outstanding performance awards there:

Isaac Hinker Carly Lagge Camden Plooster **Colin Pennings** Jacob Woerner













February is National Library Lover's Month! Libraries offer more than just books. They offer books, movies, access to computers, and the opportunity for community education. I encourage you to take your child to an area library and check it out for yourself! You are your child's first and most important teacher. Give them the gift of a lifetime.....teach them to read! Below you will find a checklist of literacy development for Kindergarteners and First Graders. These are the skills that usually develop during Kindergarten and first Grade.

Kindergarteners

- My child listens carefully to books read aloud
- My child knows the shapes and name for the letters of the alphabet and writes many uppercase and lowercase letters on his/her own
- My child knows that spoken words are made of separate sounds
- My child recognizes and makes rhymes, can tell when words begin with the same sound, and can put together, or blend, spoken sounds.
- My child can sound out some letters
- My child knows that the order of letters in written word stands for the order of sounds in a spoken word
- My child knows some common words such as a, the, I, and you, on sight
- My child knows how to hold a book, and follows print from left to right and from top to bottom of a page when she/she is read to
- My child asks and answers questions about stories and uses what he/she already knows to understand a story
- My child knows the parts of a book and understand that authors write words and text and illustrators create pictures
- My child knows that in most books the main message is in the print, not in the pictures
- My child predicts what will happen in a story and retells or acts out stories
- My child uses what they know about letters and sounds to write words
- My child writes his/her own first and last name and the first names of some friends and family
- My child knows and uses words that are important to schoolwork, such as the names of colors, shapes, and numbers

First Graders

- My child knows the letters of the alphabet
- My child knows the difference between letters and words, and knows there are spaces between words in print.
- My child knows some punctuation marks and where sentences and paragraphs begin and end.
- My child is beginning to understand and explain why people read

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- My child can put together(blend) and break apart the sounds of most one-syllable words and can count the number of syllables in a word
- My child can sound out words he/she doesn't know, and recognize some irregularly spelled words, such as have, said, you, and are
- My child reads and understand simple written instructions
- My child reads first grade books aloud, and can tell when he/she cannot understand what he/she is reading
- My child uses what he already knows to enrich what he/she is reading
- My child predicts what will happen next in the story
- My child uses invented spelling in his/her writing and also understands that there is a correct way to spell words
- My child is curious about words and uses new words when he/she speaks and writes
- My child is beginning to see that some words mean the same thing(synonyms) and some mean the opposite(antonyms)
- My child is learning that words play different roles in sentences that nouns name things and verbs show action, for example

Some other important dates in February

- Feb. 2-8 Children's Author's and Illustrator's Week
- Feb. 2-8 National School Counseling Week
- Feb. 9-15 Random Acts of Kindness Week



Junior Honor Choir



Congratulations to Kendall Olawsky on her participation in the annual South Dakota Junior Honor Choir, held this year in Rapid City on January 17 and 18. Kendall auditioned by recorded audition and was accepted into the Women's Chorus. There is also a Mixed Chorus chosen from the auditions. Only about 180 students are chosen for this honor from more than 500 auditions. Kendall studied under visiting conductor Michelle Bendett of Northfield, Minnesota, on Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday morning. The choirs performed in concert at the Rapid City Performing Arts Center Historic Theater on Saturday afternoon. Kendall is the daughter of Gregg and Nicole Olawsky. Pictured are Kendall and her school director, Kim Zomer.

Hoop Shoot Winners



Knights of Columbus 2020 Hoop Shoot

Pictured left are the local winners who will be eligible to compete in Parkston on Feb. 1, winners there go on to Chamberlain on March 1st:

9 vr old:

Boys: Brooks Blom Girls: Brooke Howard

10 yr olds:

Boys: Brayden Ogle Girls: Hadynn Johnson

11 yr olds:

Boys: Jett Kemp Girls: Halle Olsen

12 yr olds:

Boys: Brock Bordewyk Girls: Daryan DeVries

Pictured left are the Local Geography Bee winners from Grades 4-6:

6th: Halle Olsen

5th: Miley Wieczorek

4th: Lexi Gerlach

7th: Garrett Olawsky

8th: Cassidy Woerner

These students participated in a conference call contest where Halle got 2nd, Jarrett Olawsky got 3rd and Cassidy Woerner won first overall. Cassidy will take a test to try to qualify for the State competition.



Pictured right are the local Spelling Bee winners with their alternates behind them:

3rd: Remi Nelson/Kallen Schelhaas

4th: Max Vanden Hoek/ Brayden Ogle

5th: Claire Gerlach/ Miley Wieczorek

6th: Peyton Denning/ (Ben Gerlach-not pic)

Winners are eligible to participate at the next level contest to be held at DWU in Mitchell on Feb. 8th.







FCCLA Happenings



Twenty-two members of the Corsica-Stickney FCCLA Chapter attended the Region Meeting on Wednesday, January 22. Ashlin DeBoer, Sierra Heidinger, Corbin Van Zee, Adam Joachim, and Kayla Fisher did a fine job representing the Chapter in the Knowledge Bowl Competition. Morgan Clites accepted her position as the Regional Recreational Officer for the 2020-2021 term. Avery Broughton, Payton DeLange, Baily Dykstra, Danae Dykstra, Bridget Wieczorek, Sutten Eide, Ethan Clites, Mara Lagge, Kendall Olawsky, Kassidy Watters, and

Olivia Wieczorek presented their Professional Presentation projects. Every presentation earned a Gold rating, thus advancing them onto State Competition which will be held April 26, 27,

and 28 in Sioux Falls.





Kayla Fischer and Cora Heidinger sponsored a Baked Potato supper as their State FCCLA project. The proceeds went to support Ms. Hanna in her fight against cancer.

Marisa DeLange, Rachel Gerlach and Kyanna Clark sponsored a food drive as their FCCLA project. They held a competition between the classes. The food drive will benefit Aurora and Douglas County food pantries. The sophomore class won the competition and will receive a sweet treat.



8TH Grade Career Fair



The Wagner Community Memorial Hospital-Avera sponsored a 10th annual 8th Grade Career Fair on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at the Wagner National Guard Armory. Partnering with the South Dakota Department of Health, the event also included "Camp Med Lanes", which featured several different healthcare career choices. The event was coordinated by hospital employee, Connie Kaufman RN, BSN.

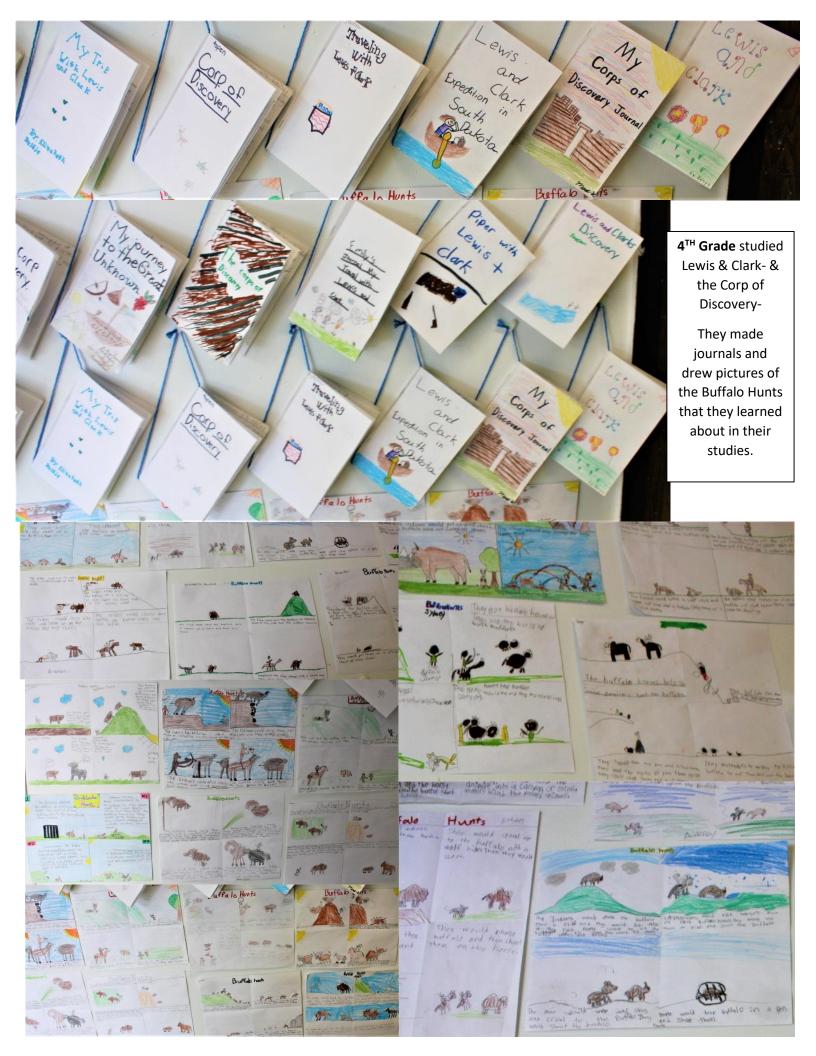
Eighth graders must select career paths for high school registration; thus, the goal of the career fair is to expose students to the wide variety of educational opportunities and career paths available to them. The emphasis was hands-on activities which were directly related to the promoted careers. A variety of career choices were present, including exhibitors from local and regional businesses as well as South Dakota colleges. Students were able to view the SD Highway Patrol rollover simulator; simulate compounding pharmacy medication; simulate welding; demonstrate sealing a tooth model; demonstrate removing skin staples and stitches in addition to many other hand-on opportunities.

Approximately 400 students participated from 18 area schools. The schools that attended were: Andes Central, Alexandria, Armour, Avon, Burke, Corsica-Stickney, Dakota Christian, Freeman, Gregory, Irene-Wakonda, Menno, Netherland Reformed Christian, Plankinton, Platte-Geddes, Scotland, Tripp-Delmont, Tyndall and Wagner.

Exhibitors included: Avera Workforce Planning; C & B Operations; Charles Mix Community Health; Commercial State Bank; Delta Dental; SDSU Extension & 4-H; Mitchell Technical Institute-multiple programs; Mount Marty-College of Nursing; SD Geological Survey Program; USGS EROS Center; SD Highway Patrol; US Secret Service/Homeland Security; SDSU College of Pharmacy & Nursing; Sioux Falls Fire & Rescue; SD Game Fish & Parks; South Central Educational Cooperative; USD College of Physical Therapy & Social Work; Dakota State University; Charles Mix Electric; Wagner/Lake Andes Ambulance; Wagner Indian Health Service; City of Wagner, National Guard-Wagner Unit and Wagner Community Memorial Hospital-Avera.

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