

# December 2021

## Oral Interp

On Wednesday, November 3rd, the Corsica-Stickney Oral Interp team placed first at the District tournament and advanced to Regions in six of the seven events.

The following students in their respective categories:

Kendall Olawsky, Non-Original Oratory "In Uncertain Times, Think Like a Mother"

Jacob Woerner, Storytelling "Wonder"

Avery Broughton, Humorous "Cosmetology Class"

Emily Wehri, Serious Reading "I'm Not Normal"

Colin Pennings and Jacob Woerner, Duet "The Duet Show"

Avery Broughton, Colin Pennings, Megan Strid, Emily Wehri, Cassidy Woerner, and Jacob Woerner, Reader's Theater "Should Have Stayed Home Sick"



Jacob Woerner and Colin Pennings will be heading to **State Oral Interpretation** in Duet. The Reader's Theater team consisting of Cassidy Woerner, Avery Broughton, Megan Strid, Colin Pennings, Emily Wehri, and Jacob Woerner are alternates. Jacob is an alternate in Storytelling and Emily is an alternate in Serious Reading.



# Title I Tidbits

## Happy Holidays



We are now in the time of year that we find ourselves inside more spending quality time with our families. This is a great time to engage in some family friendly activities that promote literacy. There is plenty of research that says that children raised in homes that promote family literacy grow up to be better readers and do better in school than children raised in homes where literacy is not promoted. **Why not give the gift of books instead of toys this holiday season!**

We know that promoting family literacy is important to future reading and school success. While family literacy activities are often based in reading, there are lots of other ways families can implement literacy activities at home: through picture books, songs, poetry, storytelling, playing board or card games, visiting a library, and reading together.

Family literacy is defined as home literacy activities that provide literacy skill-building opportunities for young children while enhancing literacy skill development in all members of the family. These activities should be started as early as preschool and continue throughout High School. Modeling reading to children is also important for literacy development at all ages.

Here is a list of board games that promote literacy (Reading and Math) for all ages

Tall Tales	Scrabble	Old Maid	Phase 10
Sequence Letters	Monopoly	Go Fish	Rummikub
Sequence Junior Numbers	Boggle	Bingo	Sequence
Apples to Apples	Hedbanz	Yahtzee	Tenzi
Read My List	Dominoes	Memory	Quirkle
Outburst	Blurt!	Smart Mouth	Scattagories Jr.
Cranium Jr.	Zingo Bingo	Farkle	PayDay

Reading literacy involves phonics, decoding, fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, and writing. Math literacy involves, number sense, problem solving, computation, and explanation. These are the skills that we teach in school and we hope you will help us reinforce them at home by taking the time to implement some family literacy activities in to your daily schedules. Our joint efforts will result in our students being more successful in our schools.







**1<sup>st</sup> Graders** used the *Engineering Design Process* while being tasked with designing a “landing pad” for an egg. They had to draw a design and then create that design by choosing from several materials including shredded paper, bubble wrap, brown paper, tissue paper, air bubble bags and cardboard, to act as cushioning which they could combine them any way they wanted. They then took turns dropping a real raw egg down the chute onto their pad and watching what happened. They then discussed why or why not their design worked to protect the egg and what they could do to improve their designs to work better.

# Science



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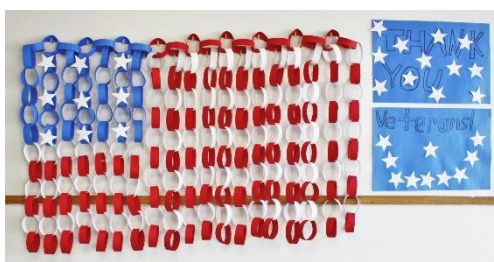


# Labs

**Mrs. Koch's 3<sup>rd</sup> graders** enjoyed a science lab on metamorphosis (complete vs. incomplete) and animal adaptations including: Behavioral (such as migration & hibernation), Physiological (enzymes, venom, skunk spray), and Physical (camouflage, beaks, gills, mimicry). Students used different shapes of macaroni to represent the different stages of a butterfly's life cycle to create an example of “*Complete Metamorphosis*”.







Stickney Legion Post Commander, Tyler Gerlach, introduced the Elementary Veteran's Day speaker, former National Guard member, Lacey Vekovius. Lacey and her husband, Zac (also a veteran) have recently moved to Stickney and have 3 small children. Lacey spoke to the students and explained how they could be thankful to veterans on a daily basis.

Several students had speaking parts and the entire student body sang songs dedicated to veterans. Jim Guenther played Taps and the Stickney Legion Post provided the Color Guard. The walls were decorated with Patriotic art work as well, along with America's White Table to honor our MIA's & POW's.



## America's White Table

The table honors the men and women who serve in America's Armed Forces especially those missing in action our MIAs, and those held prisoner our POW's

We use a small table to show one soldier's lonely battle.

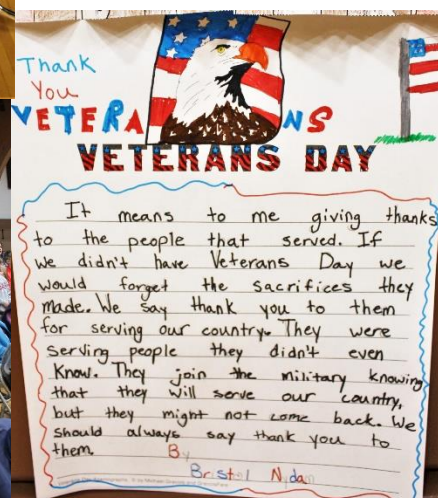
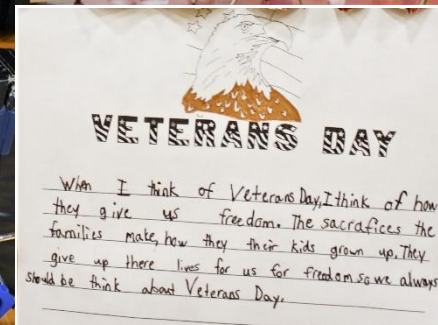
We cover it with a white cloth to honor a soldier's pure heart when he answers his country's call to duty.

We place a lemon slice and grains of salt on the plate to show a captive soldier's bitter fate and the tears of families waiting for loved ones

We push an empty chair to the table for the missing soldiers who are not here.

We lay a black napkin for the sorrow of captivity, and turn over a glass for the meal that won't be eaten.

We place a white candle for peace and finally a red rose in a vase tied with a red ribbon for the hope that all our missing will return someday.





On November 10<sup>th</sup>, twelve Veterans came to the Corsica-Stickney High School to share their stories of when they served in the military with the students. Suttan Eide and Bridget Wieczorek decided to plan this event for the FCCLA project this year. They felt like there was a disconnect between students and Veterans and they wanted to strengthen the communication between the two groups in the form of an untraditional Veteran's Day program.

The Veterans were served coffee and donuts and shared stories of when they served, where they served, different memories of their time in the military, and also brought many items of memorabilia showing their time in the military. Students were very engaged in the conversations and learned a lot. Freshmen students Tate Tolsma and Paige Timmermans stated:

"Learning about training/boot camp was very interesting; We got to learn how hard it really is"! -Tate Tolsma

"My parents brought a map to show where they served in Iraq- I had never seen that before and it was really interesting" -Paige Timmermans

There was a lot of praise from students and the Veterans who shared stating they liked this format for a Veteran's Day celebration and will hopefully continue it in the future.



## Veteran's Day





# All-State Choir



The following students performed in the 69th All-State Choir in Rapid City last weekend. From left to right: Director Mrs. Paulson, Emily Wehri, Kayden Muck, Jacey Kemp, Levi Van Zee, and Director Mrs. Kemp.

All State Chorus & Orchestra Concert was held at the new Summit Center in Rapid City, SD on October 20, 2021. These students worked extremely hard to learn and memorize 7 songs outside of their music class. Mrs. Paulson and Mrs. Kemp accompanied the students to Rapid City from Thursday until Sunday. These students worked hard by singing all day Friday and most of Saturday with students from all over South Dakota. They got to work an amazing conductor/sing from Augustana University, Dr. Russell Svenningsen as well as singing with the orchestra. They performed a great concert and will be televised on TV again over Thanksgiving.

## Junior High Festival



Corsica-Stickney School had nine choir students and eight band students attend the **Region V Junior High Festival in Platte** on Tuesday, November 16th. Both ensembles rehearsed from 8:15-2:00, and ended with a concert at 2:30pm.

**Choir Students:** (pictured upper right:)

Back Row: Brooklyn Bosma, Sophie DeLange, Peyton Denning, Jett Kemp and Brody Muck

Front Row: Cali Vanden Hoek, Cadyn Plooster, Braylee Bordewyk, Gyver Vanden Bos

**Band Students:** (pictured lower right:)

Back Row: Ashtyn Feenstra, Sawyer Schmidt, Mya Schelhaas, Jaxson Muck, and Tanner Bartelt

Front Row: Mackenzie Vanderham, Miley Wiczorek, Dawson Timmermans

The students were under the direction of Mrs. Miranda Paulson





# FCCLA has been busy....

Avery Broughton, Ethan Clites, and Deniz Can decided to organize a **trunk or treat for their FCCLA project** this year. There were 13 trunks total all decorated in the Halloween spirit. The winning decorated trunk for the business division was "Marie BaanHofman from BH Photography" and the winning trunk for the individual division was "Ashley Wright and Robyn Denning". Thank you to everyone who came down and participated in the trunk or treat!



FCCLA

Red Ribbon Week 2021  
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**Red Ribbon Week** was October 25th-29th.

Red Ribbon week is an alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and violence prevention awareness campaign. The FCCLA chapter made a wall display and tied red ribbons on students and staff cars to remind everyone to be drug free.

## Education Week

was celebrated on November 15th-19th. The FCCLA chapter created a wall display with the MS/HS staff senior pictures from the year they graduated high school. Also the FCCLA chapter provided a meal for the MS/HS staff. The NHS club provided the staff with treats throughout the week as well!







**1000  
Digs**



**Morgan Clites received her 1000th Dig at the Region play in Corsica vs the Marty Braves.**

Back Row- Coach Jessica Juhnke, Cassidy Woerner, Jacey Kemp, Casey Tolsma, Rachel Gerlach, Morgan Clites, Avery Broughton, Payton DeLange, Brooklyn Bosma, Coach Kylee Hongslo

Front Row- Saylor Lefers, Cali Vanden Hoek, Mara Lagge, Cora Heidinger, Suttan Eide, Megan Strid

Pictured Right is the "Jags Live" team: Jacob Woerner, Mathew Buckley, Grant Hinker, Colin Pennings and Matt Woerner...Thanks for covering the action all year long guys!!



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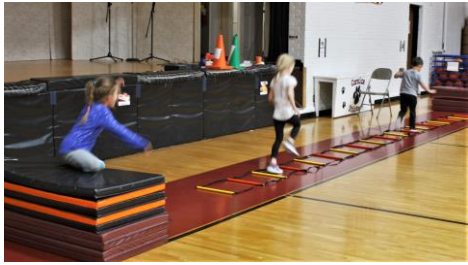




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## Obstacle Course Fun for the Kindergarten

😊 PE class! 😊

