



Voyager

From The Superintendent's Desk — By Mr. Freeman

I hope that the fall weather has been good to you and your family. Most of the crops are out of the fields and there is a hint of winter coming our way later this week. By the time you read this article the Thanksgiving holiday will be behind us and the Christmas season will be upon us.

FALL ACTIVITY SEASON

Wow! What an exciting and productive fall activity season. The success of our students in our fall sports and activities is very impressive. If you have the opportunity, please let our coaches/sponsors and their students know that you appreciate their efforts.

WINTER ACTIVITY SEASON

The month of December will bring us the Christmas concerts and several other fine art performances along with the start of winter sport contests. The students, sponsors and coaches of these activities will appreciate your attendance at their events. Please

consider supporting these programs by attending one or more of these performances/contests.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The State of the Schools Report just became public. You can access it by going to the Lakeview web page, going under district to school improvement and then clicking on the link to the report. You can also access this report by going to the Nebraska Department of Education web page.

This year is the second year of a report called NePAS. This report ranks the schools from 1 to 248 in most categories. You may wish to take a look at this report, as it is a state ranking of schools in test scores, improvement and growth.

As I have mentioned in articles the last couple of years, there are many acronyms in education, and in the area of student achievement this tradition continues. We have NCLB (No Child Left Behind), AYP (annual yearly progress) and PLAS (persistently low achieving school) relating to this article.

NCLB is a federal mandate that will have all students become proficient in the areas of reading and math by the year 2014. While school districts are working toward this final goal of having 100% of their students proficient, there have been yearly measurements that a district has needed to meet to be determined as making AYP. This is true for all students and for all subgroups (male, female, ESL, sped, etc.). If you have at least 30 students in each subgroup, these subgroups must meet 100% proficiency in order to meet AYP requirements.

As the information was just released, the staff will first take a close look at the results and decide on a plan of action to improve our student performance. More information on the test scores, how we performed on the test and our plan of action to improve will be discussed in future newsletters.

HOLIDAY SEASON

By the time you read this article we will be in the month of December and the Christmas holiday will be just around the corner. The holiday season is very special as we all take a short break from our day-to-day routines to spend some special time with family and friends. My wife and I personally would like to wish all of you a very happy and prosperous holiday season.

COMMUNICATION

If you have any questions about anything in this article or would just like to visit, please give me a call at school or at home.

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Want to read the newsletter in color?

The newsletter can be viewed on the Lakeview Community Schools website.

To find the newsletter go to www.lakeviewcs.esu7.org then to the Community tab and select Viking Voyager from the drop down box.

Junior High HAL Program

Steve Borer, Principal 7-12

This year here in the Lakeview Junior High we are offering three High Ability Learner programs. The programs are **Math Counts**, sponsored by Mrs. Adamson, **Junior Science Academy**, sponsored by Mrs. Helms, and **National History Day** sponsored by Mrs. Kmiecik. In order for students to qualify for the JH HAL program students must either score a 94% or better on their latest standardized test score (ITBS), their 1st quarter overall GPA must be 94% or better or by teacher recommendation.

Students who qualify for the HAL program do not have to participate, this is not a mandatory program it is only for those who qualify and choose to participate in the program. This year's sponsors have some great plans sketched out to enrich and challenge our Junior High HAL students.

Congratulations to the following students who qualified and have decided to participate in the 2013-14 Junior High HAL programs:

Math Counts

Mallory Gotschall
Cameron Drozd
Kyle Mohrmann
Savanna Denton
Jaden Johnson
Jackson Loseke
Megan Morton
Kathleen Howland
Britney Kouma
Karen Effa
Jocilynn Behlen
Aeriana Valdez

National History Day

Cailin Briggs
Maddie Hogeland
Brooklyn Wilke
Gracie Borer
Kaelyn Svehla
Makenna Klug

Junior Science Academy

Dylan Smith
Jack Reeg
Jack Higginbotham
Madelyn Aleman
Marina Jimenez
Camden Wilke
Jacob Sprunk
Isaac Dreifurst
Ethan Paben
Hayden Nelson
Morgan Bignell
Brianna Reeg
Caitlin Buck
Mason Stahl
Brook Behlen
Madison Schwarz
Cody Schaad
Britney Stock
Jessica Kapels
Jordan Runge

THE DISPLAY BOARD
HAS ARRIVED! Now we
need YOUR help!
Lakeview Jr/Sr High
Academic Recognition Board!!!

HELP*HELP

We are creating an academic recognition board for students who have scored a 30 or above on their ACT.

However, we need your help, we do not have individual test score data for any students who graduated before 2007. If you or one of your family members scored a 30 or above on their ACT score, please contact the Lakeview Jr.-Sr. High School and find out what you need to do to be recognized for your ACT score!

Artist of the Month.....



This month's artist is Ben Lange, a Freshman in Drawing class. The assignment was to draw a tree. The students used Vincent van Gogh as inspiration and oil pastels as their medium. This is what Ben had to say, "I really enjoyed this project. I loved using the oil pastels to color this tree."



In case of Inclement Weather...

If a decision is made to close school or to have a late start, the announcement will be broadcast on **KTTT, KKOT, KJSK, KZ100, KLIR, US92 radio stations and KOLN-TV, KMTV, and WOWT.** After checking with the National Weather Service, the county roads crew, the Lakeview maintenance staff, and other sources, the Superintendent of Schools will make the decision by approxi-

mately 7:00 a.m. Please refer to the news media listed for up-to-date information and refrain from calling the school directly.

In addition to the broadcasts listed above, the Lakeview Community Schools will also be using **SCHOOL REACH.** If you do not receive a SCHOOL REACH call, then we do not have a working number for you. In this case, you should call the school and update

your number with our office.

Parents: You are the ones who must ultimately decide if conditions are safe for your child to travel to school during questionable weather. The school will respect your decision to keep your child home and will assist him/her in getting missed schoolwork made up.

Keep up-to-date with the Lakeview Activity Calendar!



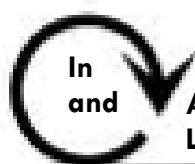
Save a Tree!

If you prefer to read the Viking Voyager online and no longer would like to receive a paper copy, please call the District Office (402)-564- 8518 and we will take you off the paper mailing list (or e-mail tfrauend@esu7.org)!

Change of Address, Work & Home Telephone Numbers or Employment

It is very important that we keep your child's information up-to-date in the event your child would get sick or there was an emergency at school. Please call the Administration Office at 402-564-8518 if you have had any changes since the start of school, or have any the remainder of the school year.





**In and Around
Lakeview Jr./Sr. High School**

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Press Release

Lakeview Students Selected for All-State Chorus

Each year, over 3000 of the best high school musicians in the state audition for the Nebraska All-State Band, Chorus, Jazz Band and Orchestra which are sponsored by the Nebraska Music Educators Association. Selection as a member of one of these groups is one of the highest musical honors attainable in Nebraska. The Lakeview vocal music department is pleased to announce that **Cayla Cuba**, daughter of Daniel and Pamela Cuba of Columbus, **Chase Gronenthal**, son of Kevin & Pam Gronenthal of Platte Center and **Stephany Lopez**, daughter of Fernando and Guadalupe Lopez of Columbus, will be among the 440 students selected to be part of the 2013 All-State Chorus. Cuba, a senior, will sing alto, Gronenthal, also a senior will sing tenor while Lopez, a junior, will sing soprano in this prestigious ensemble. Guest conductor for the chorus will be Andre J. Thomas. The Owen F. Sellers Professor of Music is Director of Choral Activities and Professor of Choral Music Education at Florida State University. The Chorus will rehearse Thursday, November 21st through Saturday, November 23rd, on the University of Nebraska Lincoln Campus, the host site of the 2013 NMEA Conference/Clinic. A final public concert will be held on Saturday, November 23rd at the Lied Center for the Performing Arts on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus.



**** Cayla Cuba**



Chase Gronenthal



Stephany Lopez

Local contact: Jill Goedeken, Lakeview High School, 402-564-8518

**** Cayla Cuba** was also selected as an alternate on the Bass Clarinet for All-State Band.

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Lakeview

December, 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 State FFA Chorus Auditions Applications Due 6:00pm (Awards Night) Volleyball @ Cafeteria	2 (FBLA) Secret Santa Project 4:00pm Jr. High Wrestling Practice @ Wrestling Room 6:30pm BB-G/7th Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic 6:30pm BB-G/8th Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic 6:30pm (Awards Night) Football @ Cafeteria	3 (FBLA) Secret Santa Project 4:00pm Jr. High Wrestling Practice @ Wrestling Room 6:30pm 7th and 8th Girls Basketball Practice @ West Gym 7:00pm Jr/Sr Vocal Christmas Concert @ East Gym	4 (FBLA) Secret Santa Project	5 (FBLA) Secret Santa Project 3:45pm Jr. High Cheer Practice @ Commons 4:00pm Jr. High Wrestling Practice @ Wrestling Room 4:30pm BB-G/7th Aquinas Middle School - High School 4:30pm BB-G/8th Aquinas Middle School - High School 5:30pm BB-G/Varsity Away vs. Crete 7:15pm BB-B/Varsity Away vs. Crete	6 (One Act) @ Districts (FBLA) Secret Santa Project 4:00pm WR-Varsity Lakeview vs. Multiple Schools 4:00pm Jr. High Wrestling Practice @ Wrestling Room	7 10:00am WR-B/Middle School Away vs. Schuyler Community 2:00pm BB-G/Varsity Boone Central 2:00pm BB-B/JV Boone Central 3:45pm BB-G/JV Boone Central 3:45pm BB-B/Varsity Boone Central
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22 5-Day Practice/Competition Moratorium	23 No School 5-Day Practice/Competition Moratorium	24 5-Day Practice/Competition Moratorium No School	25 No School 5-Day Practice/Competition Moratorium	26 No School 5-Day Practice/Competition Moratorium	27 No School TBD BB-G/Varsity Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic TBD BB-G/JV Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic TBD BB-B/JV Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic TBD BB-B/Varsity Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic	28 TBD BB-G/Varsity Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic TBD BB-G/JV Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic TBD BB-B/JV Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic TBD BB-B/Varsity Away vs. Scotus Central Catholic
29 No School	30 No School	31 No School				



Lakeview

January, 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			No School	No School	No School	8:00pm Snowball Dance @ West Gym
9:00am Heartland Volleyball League @ Both Gyms	5 Begin 2nd Semester	6 3:30pm HAL Geography Bee 5th -6th grade @ Library 6:30pm BB-B/9th Boone Central 8:00pm BB-B/9th Boone Central	7 (FBLA) Monthly Meeting	8 (FBLA) Monthly Meeting	9 3:45pm Jr. High Cheer Practice @ Commons 4:30pm BB-G/JV Away vs. Douglas County West 4:30pm BB-B/JV Away vs. Douglas County West 6:00pm BB-G/Varsity Away vs. Douglas County West 6:30pm BB-B/9th Columbus 7:30pm BB-B/Varsity Away vs. Douglas County West	10 3:30pm WR-Varsity Away vs. Ashland-Greenwood 4:15pm BB-B/9th Grand Island Northwest 5:00pm BB-B/JV Grand Island Northwest 6:00pm BB-G/Varsity Grand Island Northwest 7:45pm BB-B/Varsity Grand Island Northwest
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7:00am Youth Wrestling Tournament @ Multiple locations	26 TBD BB-B/Varsity TBD vs. TBD TBD BB-G/Varsity TBA vs. TBD UNK Honor Band & Choir Festival (FBLA) Helping Hands Campaign 6:30pm BB-B/7th Scotus Central Catholic 6:30pm BB-B/8th Scotus Central Catholic	27 TBD BB-B/Varsity TBD vs. TBD TBD BB-G/Varsity TBA vs. TBD UNK Honor Band & Choir Festival (FBLA) Helping Hands Campaign 6:30pm BB-B/7th Scotus Central Catholic 6:30pm BB-B/8th Scotus Central Catholic	28 TBD BB-G/Varsity TBD vs. TBD TBD BB-B/Varsity TBD vs. TBD (FBLA) Helping Hands Campaign	29 Early Dismissal (PC @ 12:30, SC @ 12:45, LV @ 1:00) (FBLA) Helping Hands Campaign	30 (FBLA) District Livestock Judging TBD BB-B/Varsity TBD vs. TBD (FBLA) Helping Hands Campaign 3:45pm Jr. High Cheer Practice @ Commons 4:30pm BB-B/7th Seward 6:00pm WR-Varsity Lakeview vs. Multiple Schools 6:30pm BB-B/8th Seward	31 TBD BB-G/Varsity TBD vs. TBD (FBLA) Helping Hands Campaign
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FBLA – Excellence in Action!

Volume 4, Issue 4***2013-2014 Nick Lutjens, Reporter

Members Attend National Fall Leadership Conference-Grapevine, TX

November 7-10 marked the National Fall Leadership Conference for the Mountain Plains Region held in Grapevine, Texas. Forty-eight Lakeview delegates attended.



While at the NFLC, members toured the Oklahoma City National Memorial, a tribute to those fallen, surviving and left behind. Members toured the museum and park tour led by a Ranger. All agreed they were moved and will never forget the impact it had on them. Additionally, members toured the AT&T Stadium, home of the Dallas Cowboys and the largest stadium in the United States!



The delegates also visited the Grapevine Mills and enjoyed some time conducting "hands on market research".

Friday afternoon delegates attended workshops on a variety of topics including leadership, dressing for success, networking, and many others. Friday evening it was time for the opening General Session. As always, this session was a fun and interesting way to get the delegates pumped for the next day of workshops at the Conference. Grant Baldwin, opening keynote speaker, is an engaging communicator and a leading expert at helping students prepare for life after high school. Grant is author of the book and curriculum Reality Check and is a popular youth motivational speaker.

On Saturday of the conference, workshops were held in the morning and afternoon. These workshops proved to be a good source of information for the members to gain ideas from other successful chapters throughout the Mountain Plains Region.

The closing keynote speaker Byron Garrett, is one of the most compelling voices of our time. He is an advisor to Fortune 500 companies, organizations, and individuals. He is also the author of the ABCs of Life (Scholastic, 2013).

The Lakeview FBLA Chapter was recognized for being a "September Sweeps" chapter for our efforts in membership and recruitment.

Delegates attending the NFLC were: Alex Asay, Kylie Bair, Macy Bakenhus, Brittany Blaser, Tony Blaser, Ophelia Brossault, Rayna Butterfield, Shandy Carlson, Austin Cassleberry, Ciera Cemper, Makayla Coan, Megan Coan, Madi Coutts, Lizzy Cunningham, Dolan Delano, Natalie Drozd, Zach Duncan, Alessandro Fedele, Monica Gotschall, Shania Griffiths, Chase Gronenthal, Kyle Grotelueschen, Madison Hilbert, Tevin Higgins, Samantha Hoadley, Candy Jimenez, Blair Kapels, Ethan Lichtenfeld, Nick Lutjens, Brenden Martinsen, Jordan Morse, Taylor Neuhalfen, Tiffany Ohlrich, Morgan Peters, Kirsten Petersen, Juan Renteria, Nick Renteria, Wayde Rodehorst,

Logan Runge, Matt Schunk, Devin Sprunk, Rylee Stevenson, Rachel Shadley, Blair Stuthman, Lena Tautscher, Zaida Velazquez, Josh Wewel, Jan Went, Adviser. Many thanks to Lois Rodehorst and Judy Dicke for chaperoning and also Willie Grotelueschen for driving the bus.

Members are already making plans to attend the 2014 National Fall Leadership Conference to be held at the Hilton Minneapolis in Minneapolis, MN!



Lakeview vs. Scotus FBLA "Food Feud"!



Adviser Jan Went hands Tevin Higgins (aka Batman) a bag of items.

When contacted by the Scotus FBLA Chapter to participate in a "Food Feud" to fill the shelves of the Platte Country Food Pantry, Lakeview FBLA was right on board. October 31

marked the first round of state playoffs where Scotus and Lakeview competed not only the gridiron, but also outside the gates where the food was collected. With the help of promoting through the newspaper and radio, fans flocked to the two trucks donated by Ernst Auto (one blue and one white) to drop off their donations. The final tally was announced at half time. When all was said and done, the Scotus Chapter collected 588 items, while the Lakeview Chapter collected 1075 items. Thanks to all students and patrons who contributed to this successful event. A heartfelt thanks to the Lakeview Booster Club for hosting an all-school pizza party for the junior/senior high school students for the win!

Dodge the Cancer Dodge Ball Tournament

A dodge the cancer dodge ball tournament is set for Saturday, November 16. Fourteen teams of both girls and boys will vie for the honor of dodge ball champion. The competition itself is very fun, but the ultimate goal is to raise money for cancer research. At the time of this printing results were not known. Watch future newsletters for updates!

Upcoming Events

Secret Santa Project	December 2-6
Monthly Meeting	December 4

LAKEVIEW FFA:



By Wayde Rodehorst, Chapter Reporter



Braden Wilke, Morgan Langmack and Megan Coan

The chapter recently traveled to Louisville, KY for the 86th **National FFA Convention**. While at Convention our chapter was able to attend opening session, visit the career show, watch a hypnotist and attend the talent show. Our chapter was also able to tour the Fraizer History Museum as well as Churchill Downs. Additionally, Torie Egger, represented Lakeview by singing in the National FFA Choir. Enjoying Churchill Downs was, left to right, Kaleb Lusche, Sam Morse, Tim Kummer, Austin Maurer, Addie Wilke, Nick Harms, Caleb Franzen, Amanda Jaixen,

Fruit Sales are completed and have been ordered. We will be receiving the product during the week of **December 9**, and delivering them at the end of the same week. Thanks for all your support!



We still have **Poinsettia** available. Colors include Red, Pink, White and Marble. Please contact Lakeview FFA Advisor Cole Blomendahl for more information.

A special **Thank You** to all the officer parents and alumni members who donated soup for our Labor Auction. We would also like thank those who purchased members. Finally, thanks to Tyler Runge for auctioning off students again.

English as a Second Language Classes



Platte Valley Literacy Association



We have English classes in different levels; you can learn with us. Limited space. The orientation and classes are for people 16 years of age or older that want to improve their English skills.



Contact us



Contact our offices

Phone:

(402) 562- 1432

E-mail address:

mallen@plattervalleyliteracy.org

Address:

Columbus Family Resource Center
3020 18th Street, Suite 3.

We speak Spanish!

Steps to follow

- *Get the payment form and instructions to pay the \$20 fee at Central Community College.
- *Attend the orientation that was assigned.
- *The next week after your orientation the English classes will begin.

Registration for English classes
December 2nd–December 13th
Call for exact times



**We also have classes in the
Schuyler Public Library,
Columbus Cargill, and Schuyler
Cargill.**

From the Guidance Office

DECEMBER 2013

Prepare for the FAFSA with free programs and resources. If you're a senior, it's time to start preparing for the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). You'll complete the form after January 1 and typically, before April 1 depending on your college's priority deadline. Colleges will use your FAFSA results to determine how much they will award you in federal, state and college-based financial aid.

To prepare for the FAFSA, take advantage of the following **free** EducationQuest programs and resources:

Financial Aid Programs

EducationQuest is conducting statewide **Financial Aid Programs** that explain the financial aid process and the FAFSA. The programs are free and open to the public. Juniors and seniors and their parents or guardians are encouraged to attend. ***If you attend, you will be eligible to apply for a \$500 Financial Aid Program Scholarship!***

FAFSA Webinars

EducationQuest will conduct free "How to Complete the FAFSA" webinars on the following dates:

Tuesday, December 3 - 7:00 pm (CT)
Webinar link: <http://eqf.org/1dZ3FEK>

Wednesday, December 18 - 7:00 pm (CT)
Webinar link: <http://eqf.org/19enKBz>

Monday, January 13 - 7:00 pm (CT)
Webinar link: <http://eqf.org/1bpam8Z>

Wednesday, January 15 - 7:00 pm (CT)
Webinar link: <http://eqf.org/1cOH1S5>

To join the Webinar, cut/paste the link under your desired date into your web browser. The password is Presentation.

College Funding Estimator

To estimate your FAFSA results now, use the [College Funding Estimator](#) at EducationQuest.org. This program will ask for 2013 income tax information. You may estimate your tax information to complete the *Estimator* but should use your completed 2013 tax returns when you complete the FAFSA.

Seniors...have you submitted your college applications?

If you haven't submitted your admission applications yet, it's time to get serious! Contact your top college choices to determine application deadlines and procedures. Ask if the admission application is also the application for college-based scholarships. If not, ask about the scholarship application process.



If you have questions about the Nebraska State Immunization Information System, you can:

- ⇒ Speak to your health care provider,
- ⇒ Visit www.dhhs.ne.gov/nesiis,
- ⇒ E-mail the NESIIS Helpdesk at dhhs.nesiis@nebraska.gov, or
- ⇒ Call the NESIIS Help line at 888-433-2510.



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“Helping People Live Better Lives”

NESIIS is a secure, web-based system that allows health care providers to keep track of immunizations.

You know a lot about your child...

... favorite foods

... favorite color

... how to heal a scratched knee

But, do you know where your child's immunization records are?

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<http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/imm/immindex.htm>

Department of Health & Human Services



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What is NESIIS

The Nebraska State Immunization Information



NESIIS is an across the life-span system

System (NESIIS) is a secure, statewide, web-based system that has been developed to connect and share immunization information among public clinics, private provider offices, local health departments, schools, hospitals, and other health care facilities that administer immunizations.

Why We Need NESIIS

Many children in Nebraska receive immunizations from more than one provider. Without access to a child's immunization information, it can be difficult to know which vaccine a child had and which additional vaccines a child needs at any particular time. This can cause immunizations to be missed or unnecessarily repeated. NESIIS, maintained by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, provides a quick and easy solution to the problem.

NESIIS electronically stores a child's immunization record in a secure system. Health care providers can access the information to determine which, if any, immunizations are needed at any given time. Complete and up to date immunization records can be printed for schools, daycares, or whenever you need them.

What Are the Benefits of NESIIS?

NESIIS is a secure computerized data system that tracks the immunizations given to people in Nebraska. NESIIS is an across-the-lifespan system, which means that everyone, young and old, can keep their immunization information in one secure location. By keeping a record of the immunizations given, health care providers, parents, and legal guardians know when a person is up-to-date on the vaccinations they need.

NESIIS:

- ◆ Provides immediate access to a patient's validated immunization history, whether administered by a public or private provider within the state.
- ◆ Identifies each patient's needed immunizations, using the Centers for Disease Control and Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (CDC/ACIP) Immunization Schedules or a custom tracking schedule developed by your physician.
- ◆ Generates patient recall and reminder letters, cards, labels, and lists so that you can be notified when your next immunizations are due.
- ◆ Is easily accessible on the internet.

If you move within the state or change health care providers, your immunizations can be easily accessed by your new health care provider.



Security and Confidentiality

NESIIS has several security features built into its system to ensure the confidentiality of your immunization information. NESIIS uses data encryption for all data going to and from NESIIS and is compliant with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) standards.

Using NESIIS will actually save you time when looking for your or your child's immunization information. It takes less than one minute for the average user to locate an immunization record on NESIIS.

Questions You May Have About Immunizations:

1. Why Do We Vaccinate?

We don't vaccinate just to protect our children. We also vaccinate to protect our grandchildren and their grandchildren. If we keep vaccinating now, parents in the future may be able to trust that diseases like polio and meningitis won't infect, cripple, or kill children. Vaccinations are one of the best ways to put an end to the serious effects of certain diseases.

2. Are Vaccines Safe?

Most vaccines cause only minor side effects, such as soreness where the shot was given or a slight fever. These side effects do not last long and are treatable. Serious reactions are very rare. Remember, if your child gets a disease that could have been prevented with a vaccine, the risks of the disease are much greater than the risk of a vaccine reaction. Talk to your health care provider if you have concerns.

3. I don't know anyone who has had mumps or rubella. Why does my baby need these shots?

You might think that these diseases are not a serious threat today because you don't see or hear much about them. However, they are still around, and if we stop vaccinating against these diseases, many more people will become infected. Vaccinations will keep your child safe from these diseases.

In and Around Lakeview Elementary Schools

Our 2nd Annual **LITTLE MISS VIKINGS** Basketball Clinics have been a great success! We have many talented young girls, who have been working hard and improving their fundamentals every week. The 4th, 5th and 6th graders will



be showcasing their talents on **Saturday**, December 7th during the half time of both the girls and boys Varsity Games vs. Boone Central. Varsity girls play at 2:00 and Varsity boys will follow at 3:45! Again, I want to invite all 4th-8th grade girl interested in playing basketball to attend our Saturday morning clinics! Go Vikings!



On Tuesday,
December 17, 2013
the Lakeview
Community School's

elementary students will join together at Lakeview High School to present their annual **Christmas Program**. The students will perform two mini musicals that will set your toe tapping and get you in the mood for the Holiday season.

The Kindergarten through third grade students will be presenting "Twas the Night Before Christmas" and grades 4-6 will be presenting "Crazy Carols".

Come to Lakeview Junior/Senior High on December 17th and join them in the East gym at 7:00 p.m. for a night that is sure to dash you straight into Holiday mode!

Platte Center/Shell Creek 3rd Grade Visits Henry Doorly Zoo



The 3rd graders at Platte Center Elementary joined up with the 3rd graders at Shell Creek Elementary for a fun filled day at The Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha. The day started off rainy but turned beautiful for us about mid-morning. We started the day off at the Aquarium where we were treated to the penguins feeding time. Then we took some time to visit some of our aquatic friends in the touch tank. After visiting the aquarium we broke off into our different groups and visited different parts of the zoo. Our group was able to take some time and go through the Lied Jungle and Desert Dome before we headed off to lunch. The entire group had a great sack lunch then headed back out to see some more animals. One of the highlights of my group was when one of the gorillas pounded on the window scaring and scattering a few students. We were also entertained by the lions roaring throughout the zoo. We ended the day by viewing an IMAX movie then heading back to Columbus. It was a great day of fun and learning for all of us. What an educational experience for our students at Lakeview Community Schools. A big thank you goes out to all the parents that helped out with this trip. We could not have done it without you! Mr. Specht~3rd grade Platte Center



Veteran's Day Program

Platte Center Students and staff honored veterans with an assembly on Monday, November 11. Student Council led the assembly with the presentation of the Colors followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The *Star Spangled Banner* was sung. Mr. Schrunk introduced four area veterans who all served in the Korean War: Andy Jarecki, John Miksch, Clarence Torczon and Melvin Gehring. Mr. Miksch talked about his time in Korea. The Student Council gave a brief history of Veterans Day and Mr. Schrunk read the Proclamation. After trivia about the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the singing of *America the Beautiful*, the students and staff silently walked back to their rooms, thinking about the great sacrifices of so many men and women for the sake of freedom. **Let**

Freedom Ring!!!

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Moms and Dads, school kids and little siblings converged at Platte Center Elementary for Family Movie Night! On Friday, November 15, *Monster University* was shown on the "Big Screen" for Platte Center families and friends. Popcorn was provided and Student Council members sold snacks to the crowd. This yearly event is immensely enjoyed by everyone who attends. Thank you to the P.T.O. for providing this opportunity to our families.



German Classes—Guten tag! (Hello, in German!) The 4th, 5th, and 6th grades at Platte Center Elementary were taught by Columbus High German students for 2 weeks in November. Common phrases were learned as well as numbers and the alphabet. So if you hear strange utterances from your kids, just answer, "Da or No!" Thank you to the 12 students from Columbus High who took the time to educate our students on the German language!

H.A.L. Program

Ms. LeAnn Kjergaard is the instructor for the after school High Ability Learner program. Nine students in 5th and 6th grade at Platte Center are learning about Geography in a new and interesting way! Ms. Kjergaard comes once a week through December. Students will culminate their studies with a geography bee at Lakeview High School in January. The winner has the opportunity to take an extensive test and possibly move on to the state competition.





In and Around
Shell Creek Elementary School

October Traveling Trophy Winners



4th Grade—Ms. Anderson



2nd Grade— Ms. Zywiec

Energy Program—4th Grade

"How much energy did your windmill generate?" Jennifer Swerczek kept asking the fourth graders at Shell Creek this question. Each group she asked was able to build a wind turbine that generated some energy.

Jennifer explained to the class about the wind farms in NW Nebraska and the efforts that keep these tall towers moving for the free energy from the abundant



wind in NE. The fourth graders were shown the slant of the blades, how the towers are maintained and why the wind energy is so important to power plants.

She then divided the class into groups and each group constructed a mini tower that they then checked to see how much their tower would generate. Some of the groups found that the way and direction that the blades were attached made a difference on how much energy was generated.



1ST GRADE Visit Stuhr Museum!

First graders traveled to Stuhr Museum in October to learn about Pawnee families. They got to meet Sampson, the buffalo, and learn how he relates to our modern day Walmart. Other highlights included putting up and taking down a tipi and using stone tools for gardening and grinding corn into flour.

Inside the Earth Lodge, the first graders got to have hands-on experiences with various household items and furs. They left with an understanding of the Pawnee seasons for planting, harvesting, and hunting on the Nebraska prairie.



Shell Creek (Cont.)**AR Goals 1st Quarter**

1P~Brittney Beiermann, Lexi Blaser, Gracie Brockhaus, Ali Carter, Kyah Curtis, Melany Garcia, Kenden Henk, Brooklynn Jarecki, Isaac Koester, Fatima Moreno, Adan Ramirez, Sadie Robinson, Arely Sanchez, Nolan Scholl, Cambell Tessendorf, Josiah Voter

2Z~Sophia Bender, Alexis Bennett, Eiseah Carias, Naima Casas, Junior Garcia Alarcon, Hailie Garza, Arayelie Hernandez, Julian LaPointe, Dustin Molt, David Montano, Kyle Olmer, Cora Stamm

2O~Blake Anderson, Corbin Dicke, Shaylee DuBray, Morgan Finecy, Taylor Helms, Giovanni Juarez, Taitum Klug, Ivan Mercado Robledo, Rylie Neuhalphen, Kyra Smith

3W~Josie Bentz, Braxton Borer, Shayla Cavalli, Neilany Contreras, Wyatt Frauendorfer, Ashton Happ, Mason Hobza, Sidney Jaixen, Annie Lange, Elly Luchsinger, MaKenna Lutjelusche, Brianna Manak, Serria Martinez Casas, Joshua Neave, Niels Schmidt, Taylor Stahl, Ava Tessendorf

4A~Cody Adle, Zack Anderson, Ben Drozd, Alex Holmberg, Mason Klug, Emely Montes, Eli Osten, Elizabeth Rowe, Carly Schaad, Emily Schaad, Travis Schoch, Macy Stock, Adam Van Cleave, Riley Hellbusch

4L~Kolby Blaser, Lauren Finecy, Jessica Kouma, Hunter Schoch, Cooper Tessendorf

5B~Brook Beiermann, Matthew Bennett, Haustyn Forney, Abigail Lutjelusche, Cassie Rathbone, Ethan Wewel

5Z~Dalton Arends, Reed Blaser, Sydnie Briggs, Brock Dreifurst, Logan Jaixen, Lizzy Sand

6B~Angel Alonzo, Ashley Behlen, Landon Bignell, Jocelyn Bloebaum, Karissa Gleeson, Cole Hobza, Kallie Langmack, Aaron Morse, Hailey Reynoldson, Delaney Snyder, Dawson Wurdeman

6K~Laura Bennett, Macy Blaser, Andrew Brockhaus, Aaron Chin, Makenna Frenzen, Meera Lange, Cole Langmack, Easlyn Mullinix, Adam Nelson, Emily Stevenson, Evan Tessendorf, Jose Valdivia, Travis Vetick, Nate Voecks



Halloween Party Fun!

Check out our slideshow on the website!





K-1-2 with books for Books in the Hands

LEFT: The Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd Grade students at Christ Lutheran School participated in the Books in the Hands project. This project collects gently used and new books to give to organizations/children that don't have books. The students collected more than seven boxes of books. Way to go K-1-2. We are proud of you!

RIGHT: Oct. 28-31 was Red Ribbon Week. To celebrate a drug-free healthy life, different activities were done each day. Monday was "Drown out Drugs." Students were given white water bottles on which they then wrote drug-free sayings. Tuesday was "Take a Bite Out of Drugs." Students were given an apple that had the theme tied to it so they could remember to be drug-free with each bite. Students enjoyed a "Red Hot Lunch" on Wednesday. On Thursday, students "Turned their Backs on Drugs" by wearing their t-shirts backwards. The school week ended with students participating in an activity presented by Bruce Wall. He had each classroom try to put together a puzzle with mittens on. This represented what life would be like on drugs. It makes it very difficult and does not allow us to be able to work to our full potential. The week ended with a Family Fun time held at Westbrook Lanes on Saturday afternoon. Thanks to the committee for planning the fun events to help us to remember to be drug-free.



Students participating in a Red Ribbon Week activity.

BELOW: SWAT students have been busy this last month. They helped ARC (Association for Retarded Citizens) by selling bottles of honey and Bit O' Honey candy bars. The students raised \$180. On Nov. 14, SWAT held a clean-up day. Grades 5-8 helped members of the congregation at their homes by raking their leaves. The K-4 children cleaned up around school and church. They raked leaves and picked up sticks. Way to be good stewards of the Earth!



First quarter report cards have been handed out. Students making the Honor Roll were: Mark Buhman, Kavan Splittgerber, Katee Korte, Cort Loseke, Reese Janssen, Aubrey Stromberg, Amber Buhman, Carsten Loseke, Kade Stromberg, Ali-syn Bardsley, Brock Foltz, Kaycee Grotelueschen, Julee Jaixen, and Julia Witt. The Fas-Break Award was given to Kaycee Grotelueschen and Aubrey Stromberg, pictured above.



SWAT students selling honey on Honey Sunday.

In and Around Saint John's Lutheran School



During P.E. classes, children enjoy a team-building exercise.



Grandparent's Day (BELOW)

St. John's students hosted Grandparent's Day on September 6th. Visitors enjoyed a get-to-know-you session in the morning, visited classrooms, and enjoyed a pizza lunch with the students. In the picture shown, students are showing their grandparents how to use an iPad and the many capabilities of this technology.



Red Ribbon Week (LEFT) was held from October 28th through November 1st. Students had many fun activities throughout the week, including "Put a Hat on It" Day. One of the focuses throughout the week was making healthy choices when eating. Students brought their lunch each day and were encouraged to bring healthy food from each food group. They tracked their choices throughout the week and many earned a free homework pass for their healthy eating.

YOU'RE INVITED!!
to attend the
Lakeview Vocal Music Department's

Christmas Program

TUESDAY, DEC. 3RD
at 7:00 p.m. in the East gym

Enjoy performances by:

JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH CHOIR

and the VIKING VOICES!

