



Voyager

From The Superintendent's Desk — By Mr. Freeman

As I write this article some of the fall sports have completed their seasons, while other sports are thinking about post-season opportunities. While this is going on our thoughts are turning to the changing of seasons from fall to winter. The first quarter of the school year has gone very smoothly. Thanks to all of you for the way you support and represent our school.

FALL WRAP-UP

Once again our fall activities have represented the Lakeview Community School District in a fine fashion. Our athletic teams have had a successful fall with hopes for more success during the post-season contests. Our fine arts department is gearing up for many activities in the months of November and December. I hope that you will make plans to see our students perform in their fine art activities. The students and sponsors will appreciate your support.

SPORTSMANSHIP

As the winter sport season gets underway remember to give your support not only to our athletes, but also to the visiting team and the officials. We all want our team to win, but we need to keep our emotions in check. Due to the fact that fans sometimes do not keep the contests in perspective, the Ne-

braska School Activities Association and your local school board have adopted strict expectations for fan behavior. Please do not put yourself in a situation where you may be asked to leave. This is usually embarrassing to the individual, their family, and their team. For major violations a person could be banned from attending contests for the remainder of the season. If you notice one of your friends getting too emotional at a contest and beginning to cross the line of support and drifting into criticizing coaches, officials, or players please try to guide them to proper behaviors. By working together, we can support our team in a positive manner and we can treat our visitors with respect.

Please plan to attend as many events as you can as the students and their coaches/sponsors appreciate your support. Remember, the involvement of the students, staff, parents, and patrons of the district are what make the programs in the Lakeview Community School District successful.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

As the season begins to change to winter, the condition of the roads becomes a concern for our buses and for our students traveling to and from school and school events. If you have input on the roads in your area, please share that with me prior to 5:40

a.m. so that information can be considered prior to making a decision on the status of school and activities for the day. If this sounds like something you would like to do, please contact me at school so we can exchange contact information.

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.

THANKSGIVING

As I write this article the Thanksgiving holiday is about four weeks away. This is the time of year to take a few moments to think about what we are thankful for in our lives. It could be good health, our freedoms, those who are serving in the armed forces to protect our freedoms, our families and the list goes on for each of us. Sometimes we take many of these things for granted. Take some time over the Thanksgiving holiday to count your blessings and do a good deed for someone else.

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 home.

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Junior High Reading Challenge!

— Steve Borer, Principal

During the first quarter we kicked off this year's Junior High Reading Challenge. Every year we make a few changes to the Reading Challenge in an attempt to spark the motivations for our Junior High kids to read. Last year we ended the school year with a Reading Challenge celebration where the Junior High students got the chance to dunk Mr. Lange in a dunking booth. The kids had some fun and so did Mr. Lange, by the end of the challenge last year's Junior High group read 162,386 pages during the Reading Challenge.

Junior High Goal

This year we have set a goal for the Junior High group to read 180,000 pages. If the students meet their goal they will get the chance to duck tape me to a wall during the Reading Challenge celebration. Each student who reads at least 700 pages throughout the Reading Challenge will receive a piece of duck tape for the event.

Team Time Competition

To keep the students motivated to read throughout the year, each Junior

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High Team time will compete against each other to see who can read the most pages during a quarter. The winning team will receive a prize for their accomplishment at the end of each quarter. This year's first quarter winner's were Mr. Lange's Team time reading 10,501 pages. Coming in second during the first quarter was Mrs. Kmiecik's Team time reading 9,766 pages and coming in third was Mr. Helm's Team time reading 8,847 pages. The quarterly competition starts over each quarter so each team has a chance to win again during the $2^{\rm nd}$ quarter.

Individual Achievements

Every year we've had the Junior High Reading Challenge we have recognized the individual reading achievements students who read 3,500 pages in the Reading Challenge will

receive a reading achievement medallion and will be recognized at the Academic Awards Ceremony. This year the ceremony will be on May $20^{\rm th}$ and parents are always welcome to attend. This year to encourage students to stay on pace of reaching the 3,500 pages mark we implemented a quarterly goal of 1000 pages. If an individual student reads at least 1000 pages in a quarter he or she will receive a coupon for a FREE ala cart item in the cafeteria.

The Reading Challenge goes until May 2nd, and at that time all pages must be turned in and will be counted. Parents if you son or daughter tell you that they have nothing to do, encourage them to read a book and participate in the Junior High Reading Challenge! Research shows that students who read at least 21.4 minutes per day generally improve their academics in all content areas.

2013-14 Junior High Reading Challenge—Quarter 1 update

Students who read over 1000 pages during the 1st quarter:

Kyle Mohrman Karen Effa Marshall Lutjens Gabrielle Manak Sergio Ponce Nicholas Borgman Madelyn Aleman Savannah Denton Mason Stahl Emily Cunningham Marina Jimenez-Cabrallo Krystian Szatko Makenna Klug



Nice job readers!





News from Christ Lutheran School

It is hard to believe that the first quarter of school is just about over. Wow! How time flies! During this first quarter much has already been accomplished. Teachers and students have settled into their classroom routines and have started "hitting the books" with a fever.

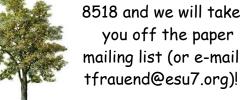
The students have attended a couple of assemblies. The 6-7-8 grade students went to Lakeview High School to see a presentation

on respecting others/bullying. Grades K-5 attended an assembly at Shell Creek Elementary to view a multi-media production about responsibility/bullying. Students in grades K-3 attended the play "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" while the 4-8 graders saw the play "The Bully Show." Both were put on by the Wichita Children's Theater and were presented at Columbus High School.

We are on the Web! www.lakeviewes.esu7.org

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-



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The Volleyball Season Ends for Christ Lutheran

The Christ Lutheran/St. John's "Raiders" volleyball season has come to an end with the team improving greatly over the season. The girls won the last 7 out of 8 matches and showed great teamwork. Way to go girls! We are very proud of you! Thanks to Pastor Witt and Charlotte Larson for coaching the girls.







402-564-8518 or rfreeman@esu7.org

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 approximately 7:00 a.m. Please refer to the news media listed above for up to date information.

If at all possible, <u>refrain from calling</u> <u>the school.</u> In addition to the broadcasts listed above, the Lakeview Community Schools will also be using SCHOOLREACH. If you do not receive a SCHOOLREACH call, then we do not have a working number on file. Please contact the school during normal school hours to have your number updated, or send a note with your child.

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Superintendent Russ Freeman, Lakeview Community Schools 3744 83rd Street, Columbus, NE 68601 402-564-8518 or rfreeman@esu7.org

This Month's Artist of the Month

is Alex Pacheco, a 7th grader. The assignment was to use a grid to enlarge a picture of an animal and then use colored pencils to draw it. This is what he had to say about his drawing of a frog. "This was my first time using a grid and for the first time I think I did pretty good. I could have never been able to do this without the help of Mrs. Noonan. She actually helped me with this drawing. She helped me make the grid. She taught me how to make it."



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Support Lakeview Viking History...

BUY A BRICK!

For all those fans who wish to become a permanent part of Lakeview High School history and continue to building the Viking tradition, we offer a unique opportunity. Be a part of the most distinctive feature of the Lakeview Athletic Complex...the "VIKING WALK OF PRIDE". The entrance to the newly renovated stadium will consist of personalized bricks which will form a walkway for our fans. The walkway, to be named the "VIKING WALK OF PRIDE", will capture the LHS tradition of excellence. Viking athletics have produced some outstanding athletes. Now, the "VIKING WALK OF PRIDE" provides a unique opportunity to leave an enduring symbol of your support for Lakeview High School Athletics.

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FBLA — Excellence in Action!

Volume 4, Issue 3 ***2013-2014 Nick Lutjens, Reporter

Out of Town Tours

Our annual out of town industry tours were held Wednesday, October 16. Forty five members had the opportunity to tour Hornady, a bullet manufacturing company and Case IH,



both located in Grand Island. These tours showcased these businesses do and what it takes to be successful. thank Hornady and Case IH for taking time out of their busy schedules to let our

students learn valuable information and see first hand how these businesses are run.



Officers Attend Training

Lakeview's officers and adviser attended an action-packed day at the Fall Leadership Conference held at the Ramada Convention Center, Omaha, on Wednesday, September 25. Keynote speaker, Mr. John Upgren, spoke to the delegation about setting their goals high and working hard to achieve them. As an accomplished chalk artist, he also delighted the crowd with his amazing talent while he created a breathtaking landscape on his canvas and made it come alive with lighting and music. Additionally, each officer attended the state officer of the same office and learned the duties of their position. In the afternoon, officers had a variety of workshops from which to choose. Adviser, Mrs. Went was invited to host a roundtable workshop on setting up a successful program of work. Three repeated sessions were then offered to her fellow advisers. All agreed it was a worthwhile day full of fresh ideas to bring back to our chapter.



L to R: Back: Tevin Higgins, Austin Casselberry, Chase Gronenthal, Tony Blaser, Nick Lutjens Front: Mrs. Went, Adviser, Brittany Blaser, Melissa VanDerslice, Mrs. Shurter, Student Teacher

All-School Fun Night!

On Friday, October 11, FBLA tried a new twist on an old favorite. By combining two traditional events on one night, we introduced the first annual "All-School Fun Night" Lakeview Junior High students were treated to a dance. Students enjoyed busting a move to the tunes provided by DJ Nick Renteria.. Many thanks to all members and officers for their assistance and to junior high students for attending.

Movies for Membership was the activity provided for the senior high. Members voted for the movie they wanted shown, and "Now You See Me" was broadcast on the west gym wall with amazing surround sound. Members got in free and received treats with canned food as payment. Thanks to all who attended! A special thank you to Mick. Casselberry, Jamie Blaser, Jennifer Higgins, and Audrey Blaser for providing support and serving as chaperones.

NFLC Quickly Approaching

Forty nine FBLA members will be attending the National Fall Leadership Conference to be held Grapevine, Texas on November 7-10. Members will be staying at the Gaylord Texan and will be treated to a variety of nationally known keynote speakers, as well as a plethora of helpful workshops. Additionally, members will be touring the Dallas Cowboys AT&T Stadium as well as the Oklahoma City National Memorial. Watch the next newsletter for all the exciting happenings.

T-Shirts Ready to Order

The t-shirt committee has been letting their creative juices flow, and together have come up with an awesome idea for this year's t-shirt. In keeping with this year's theme, the tshirt will feature, "Lakeview Future Business Leaders of America Keeping It "Reel". Member's signatures will be featured on the "red carpet" on the back of the shirt.. Orders will be placed through October 23. We are offering short and long sleeve tees and hooded sweatshirts.

Annual Hayride at Rodehorst Ranch

The 19th annual hayride is scheduled for Saturday, November 2 at 4:00 at the Rodehorst Rach. Members will enjoy the Hayrack ride, pizza, and relays.

Upcoming Events

October 16-

Out of Town Industry Tours -

Grand Island

November 2 -November 7-10

Hayrack Ride/Pizza/Relays -4:00p.m. National Fall Leadership Conference Grapevine, TX - Gaylord Texan Resort

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Technology Progresses

Staff recalls past changes by madi couts

Teachers recall what technology was like when they went to school and later when they started teaching. Technology has progressed over the years. There have numerous changes as to how the schools use and utilize technology.

"I started (at Lakeview) in the year of 1976 and graduated in 1980. The computer lab I am teaching in now was not a computer lab it was called a typewriter lab," said teacher Jan Went who went to Lakeview High School and is now teaching there. "I think the school board has always been proactive," said Went

Lakeview switched from monitors to laptops in the library and added an iPad cart for student use. Some teachers started

using Google Docs for the ease and convenience



allowing the students to share simply the document rather than saving and printing the later. Google Docs saves automatically and can be opened on any computer convenient for students if they work at home and do have a printer. Students can simply share slipped into the document directly to the assigned teacher or even open the document at year school to print.

"I used to watch the show "The Jetsons" and they used to have pictures of people as they were talking to them. I never in a million years thought I would ever see," said library para Rosanne Wiester. Apps like FaceTime and Skype have allowed friends and family to communicate face-to-face via phones or computers.



New School Year through Google. This is Healthy snack line

by nicholas renteria

Variety has Lakeview school lunches. This

head cook Schwichtenberg changing up school lunches to reach out to students' tastes.

"This year we brought salad bars into all three schools where we can offer more fruits and vegetables," savs Schwichtenberg. "We asked kids' for some of their favorite meals. We want to be able to give them choices everyday."

The focus of the new school lunches is to have healthier meals that kids can still enjoy. According Schwichtenberg, students are happier with the lunches and receive compliments about the lunches and the variety.

"We've gotten a ton and ton of compliments on our lunches and salad bars over the last few years," says Schwichtenberg. As the lunches change so do the kids' attitudes toward



MARCHING in the Columbus Day's parade the senior high band shows their talents. Although small in number, their sound is

viewpoint photo by nicholas renteria

Band Looks at Improvement Changes in music variety by dolan delano

The sound leaving the The band band room is an example of replaced old the band's work toward pep band improvement. Lakeview High School band brought in started off with a week of songs such as band camp in August before "We are Young," and the beginning of the school "Some Nights." Some marching and modernizing be dancing and singing the pep band music added to along as the band plays.

great! We have a way better for the Christmas concert drumline this year," said in junior Dolan Delano, a percussionist. The band also this year in band and so far marches a halftime field we are improving. I can't show at all home varsity wait to see the outcome!" football games. perform the songs "We WIII for practice, modernizing Rock You," "Rock and Roll pep band, and "surprising" All Nite," and a percussion the audience with concert theme in the middle. music, the band works for

"The new pep band improvement. music sounds a bit more modern and it reaches a broader audience," junior Nicholas Renteria.

The music and



The focus of students are witnessed to improvements. Delano also hinted that the "Marching season went band has 'surprise' music December.

> "I'm looking forward to They adds Delano. By marching



EATING school lunch has become more healthy for students. These junior high student choose from fruits and vegetables along with their main dishes which include a drink of milk

viewpoint photo by nicholas renteria

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FFA Labor Auction and Supper Soup Supper

Where: Lakeview Cafeteria

When: Monday, November 11, 2013

Time: 5:00 FREE Soup and Cinnamon Rolls

6:30 Labor Auction

Please come bid on the Lakeview FFA members and support the chapter! The money that is raised will go towards FFA Conventions, Leadership Training, and community service

activities.

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LAKEVIEW FFA:



By Wayde Rodehorst, Chapter Reporter

Greenhand Leadership Day was held on September 25. Traveling to CCC and learning about all



that Ag Education and FFA has to offer were the following Greenhands:
Bailey Sloup, Mandy Jaixen, Jordee Korte, Addi Wilke, Eriak Loseke,
Caleb Franzen, Dillon Sprunk, Cole Lutjens, Jarrod Blaser, Jordan Loseke,
Blake Langmack, Lane Egger, Drew Schaad, Reyes Soltero and Darien
Voecks. Helping to present were President Tim Kummer and Sentinel
Sam Morse.

Tuesday, October 1 saw the Lakeview FFA head to NECC for Impact Workshops. Attending for Lakeview, and pictured with State Officer, are Braden Wilke, Austin Maurer, Emily Critser, Baylee Barber, Wayde Rodehorst, Abbey Humlicek, Kyle Grotelueschen and Nick Harms.





Another event that the

chapter recently participated in was District Land Judging, held in West Point on October 8. In Land Judging a contest-ant must determine characteristics of soil plus recommend land treatments. Receiving ribbons for Lakeview was: Red - Addie Wilke, Sam Morse, Christian Loseke, Caleb Franzen; White - Blake Langmack, Tim Kummer, Whitney Coop, Melissa VanDerslice, Kyle Grotelueschen, Braden Wilke and Drew Schaad. Team White to Sam Morse, Tim Kum-

mer, Melissa VanDerslice, Braden Wilke and Addie Wilke, Erika Loseke, Reyes Soltero and Cole Lutjens.

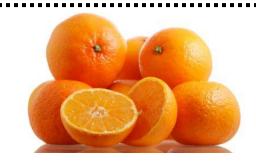
UPCOMING/CURRENT EVENTS

October 9 to November 4 – Fruit Sales (see members)

November 11 – Soup Supper and Labor Auction (see pg. 10)

November 27 – Leadership Skills Events Contests

December – Poinsettia Sales/Deliveries (call if interested)



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Seniors...it's time to start the admissions process!

Admission deadlines will start hitting this fall. Follow these steps to stay on track:

Contact your top colleges NOW and ask about deadlines and the process for applying for admission, college-based scholarships and financial aid.

Apply to your top 3-4 colleges before the deadline. Along with your application, the colleges will require your high school transcript, class rank, GPA and ACT/SAT score. They may also request a list of your extracurricular activities, letters of recommendation, an essay, and an interview.

Update your *Activities Resume.* Because extracurricular activities are an important part of the admissions application, keep them up -to-date by using the *Activities Resume* at **EducationQuest.org**.

Contact your admissions representative periodically to stay informed about deadlines and campus activities.

Attend a Financial Aid Program to learn college funding options

If you attend, you can register to win a \$500 scholarship!

Juniors and seniors - to learn about financial aid and other college funding options, attend an EducationQuest <u>Financial Aid Program</u> with a parent or guardian. Those who attend will be eligible to apply for a \$500 *Financial Aid Program Scholarship*! <u>Find details</u> at **EducationQuest.org**.

Juniors...start researching colleges

If you narrow your college choices by the end of your junior year, your senior year will be less stressful. Here's how to get started:

Review <u>College Profiles</u> at **EducationQuest.org** for information about colleges in Nebraska and across the country. If you're interested in an out-of-state school, check out the <u>Midwest Student Exchange Program</u> to learn about options for discounts on tuition.

Meet with college representatives who visit your school, and then visit the websites of the colleges that interest you to learn more about the schools.

Once you've narrowed your choices, **schedule campus visits**. Try to visit in the spring of your junior year while colleges are still in session.

For more tips, visit the <u>Selecting a College section</u> at **EducationQuest.org**.

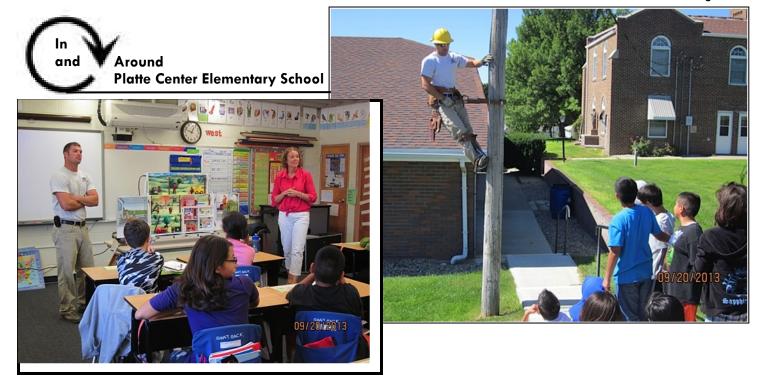
| November "To Do" List | | | | |
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| Juniors and seniorscomplete these tasks in November to stay on the path to college! | | | | |
| Seniors, register by November 8 for the December 14 ACT. | | | | |
| Seniors, register by November 8 for the December 7 SAT. | | | | |
| Attend a Financial Aid Program in your area and apply for a \$500 scholarship. | | | | |
| Apply for scholarships. Visit free sites such as <u>ScholarshipQuest</u> at EducationQuest.org . | | | | |
| Meet with college representatives who visit your school. | | | | |
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For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation or visit EducationQuest.org:

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5th Grade Gets Shocking Visit!!!

Theresa Grape and lineman Cory came to Platte Center to teach the 5th graders about electrical safety. Through the use of Hazard Hamlet, the students were able to see what happens when you touch electrical wires, drop an electrical appliance in water, overload an electrical outlet, or play around electrical equipment. The results were shockingly clear. Stay away from electrical hazards and be safe! Lineman Cody showed the students how to climb a utility pole and also talked about his training to become a lineman. He encouraged all the boys and girls to consider a job as a lineman as their career choice. We thank Cornhusker Public Power District, Theresa, and Cody for coming to our school with this valuable information!

Kindergarten and 1st Grade Visit Stuhr Museum

On October 2, the kindergarten and 1st grade students boarded the bus and headed for Grand Island. When we arrived, we had a picnic lunch in Stolley Park. They have a very unique park and the kids loved having their recess there. After recess, we went to the Stuhr Museum.





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The first graders learned about the Pawnee Indians and how they lived many years ago. Some of the highlights of the afternoon were grinding corn with a rock, making a teepee, meeting Sampson, the buffalo and sitting in an earth lodge. It was a great day!

Do you think you could live on a farm in 1890? The kindergarten class took a trip back in time to the Stuhr Museum and learned what life on the farm was like 100 years ago. We learned that boys and girls had many chores to do and we even got to do some of the chores. It was hard work! We had to gather eggs from the chickens and vegetables from the garden and then we had to do the laundry and grind the corn. After that we headed to the barn to feed and milk the cows and plow the fields. Petting the rooster and dancing in the barn were two of our favorite things to do. At the end of the day we were exhausted but learned many things about life on the





On September 25, the Platte Center's first grade class was able to participate in Vehicle Day at Ag Park. It was sponsored by "Drive for Five". There were many vehicles for us to see and learn about their uses. Our favorites were:

Carter ~ Tree Trimmer
Ana ~ Police Car
Alec ~ Tree Trimmer
Leah ~ Police Car
Eli ~ Police Car
Tripp ~ Police Car
Hayley ~ Police Car



Alyn \sim Tree Trimmer Jasmin \sim Fire Truck Adrian \sim Fire Truck Daniel \sim Police Car Brant \sim Spreader Emerson \sim Model T Clayton \sim Helicopter



Student Council Elections Held

Elections for the 2013-14 Platte Center Elementary Student Council were held in September.

President: Alexa Martinez (4) Vice President: America Rodriguez (4)

Secretary: Ila Holyoak (5) Treasurer: Emma Gill Einspahr (5)

Other members are: Rebecca Valdez (6), Heidi Alvarado (6), Austin Rollman (6), Erick Bello-Solis (4), and Janae Sliva (4). Congratulations to all of our Student Council Members! The first activity for the new members is picking up roadside trash along the spur into Platte Center. The student council also planned Red Ribbon Week Oct. 16-25. Themes for the week were: "Pajama Day", "Crazy or Mismatch Day", "Bright Colors or Camo Day", "School Spirit Day", and "Western Day".

Each theme addressed a way to avoid drugs and staying drug free.

Platte Center AR Students Kick Off

"Reading Around the World" is the theme for Accelerated Reader this year. We would like to take the kids on a trip around the world with books!! Thursday, September 19, began with a kick-off in the gym, explaining AR activities for the year including a slide show about some different foods that people eat around the world. Some of the foods were pretty yucky; Snakes, ants, even lizards! Then we played a game with 8 volunteer students who had to eat some weird food. The first student to eat it all got a prize. The food was lizard, snake, frog or spider. It wasn't so bad when they found out it was candy!! Damion Sapp was our winner!!



Many reading activities are being planned:

- ~ Reading "passports" will be filled out with books read and passed with 80% accuracy. A completed passport will earn a sticker from a country.
- ~ If a country or a US state is mentioned in a book the student is testing on, we will post it on our world map located outside the library.
- ~ We have two little stuffed animal friends that would like to go on vacation with you! Take them with you and take a picture of them at your destination! Bring the stuffed animal and picture back to school and we will post the picture on our world map. It will be fun to see where our animal friends have traveled throughout the school year. So, if you're planning a trip, have the kids check out one of the stuffed animals and take him on an adventure!!
- ~ Where in the World is Wormy?" We have another friend named "Wormy" that we will hide around the school. Students need to find wormy and report back to the library with the secret location.
- ~ Gold medals will be awarded to all students who meet their reading goals.
- A super- fun activity is being planned for all students who meet their goals.

So please help you kids by making sure they are reading every night!!!

READ Around The World!

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Kindergarten "Families on the Farm"

Shell Creek's Kindergarten class went back in time to visit "Families on the Farm." Both Kindergarten classes (almost 40 students) attended this field trip that was held at Stuhr Museum in Grand Island on October 9th. The children were able to visit a barn and a house that were placed in the year 1893. They learned about types

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portation back in the day. There were no cars or buses. Families had to use horses or trains to travel. The kindergartners also got to help around the farm by pumping water from the well, washing clothes, feeding the chickens, gathering the eggs, and much more! It was a learning experience for all as to how much our farms and our world have changed in the last hundred years!





McTeacher Night . . .

Shell Creek's McTeacher Night was a HUGH success!

PTO raised \$750 to be used towards a future Artist in Residence!

A big THANK YOU to the staff and parents who volunteered to help and make this fundraiser a MEGA-success.

SHELL CREEK'S STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

President -- Evan Tessendorf Secretary-- Karissa Gleason Vice president-- Ashley Behlen Tresurer-- Makenna Frenzen

5th graders: Sydney Briggs, Logan Jaixen, Cassie Rathbone, Haustyn Forney

FIRST GRADE VEHICLE DAY

September 25th had the first graders geared up and ready to experience Vehicle Day.

Vehicle Day was held at Ag Park and sponsored through the Drive 4 5, School/Business Partnership Program.

Students made their way around to many different vehicles. While there, the employees explained to students how their business/vehicle helps the community and a little about their job. Some of the businesses even demonstrated how their vehicle worked.

Some of the vehicles first graders experienced were a garbage truck,





truck, mail truck, a car that was 87 years old, and the Husker helicopter.

It was a great way to study our community and the vehicles that operate in and around our area.

Cornhusker Public Power District Visit

Once again, Cornhusker Public Power District made their annual visit to Shell Creek 5th grade. Mrs.

Teresa Grape and Corey Boryca gave a wonderful presentation on electricity safety. They set up a work center showing life like scenarios of just how easy it would be to get electrocuted. It was presented using group participation, making it easy for the kids to identify with. Corey then demonstrated how to be climbs the power poles to work on the wires if there are problems. The pres-



entation is concluded with a video of actual people who were affected by electrocution.

We are very thankful that Cornhusker visits

us every year to ensure that we are always safe with electricity!



Christmas Program

For those planning ahead, the Christmas Program for Platte Center & Shell Creek Students is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 17th at Lakeview High school. Page 16 November 2013— Issue 3

Viking Snippæts!!

THIRD Grade Friendship Inquiries...

The third graders at Platte Center Elementary had a great start to the year with their very first Inquiry Project. They read many stories about friendship and how you treat others. They culminated their reading unit by creating projects and sharing what they have learned. We heard many outstanding presentations that talked about many different topics such as loyalty, honesty, sharing, kindness, and staying connected.

The media that the third graders used were very creative. We had students create a video, make posters, build diaramas, and develop 3D models. They used these projects to share what they have learned about friendship. You may go to http://pc-3rd-

grade.lakeviewcs.esu7.org to see more pictures of our projects.



COMING SOON TO A
DISPLAY NEAR YOU!!!
Lakeview Jr/Sr High
Academic
Recognition

HELPHELP**

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

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Lynette's Dance Studio ALUMNI DANCE

May 3, 2014

For more information – contact Lynette at

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Or message Lynette on Facebook.

Participation deadline is

December 1, 2013.



