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MORE THAN JUST ATHLETICS

Amazing! Recently, we had a very exciting week as the BDS Eagles made their run for the state volleyball title. The play was great and our girls did a great job of competing, making it all the way to the championship match. Even though they did not win that game, they had a great season and we all are very proud of them. Also, I am very proud of the student bodies from both schools. The kids from each school did a great job of coming together to cheer on the girls and play the pep band. We have received numerous complements regarding this during the state tournament. In fact, Rhonda Blanford-Green, the director of NSAA commented to Mr. Ippensen how much she enjoyed our pep band. If you get the Lincoln Journal Star, the pep band and student section were mentioned in the article about the game. I am very proud of students from both schools and even though we did not get the sportsmanship award, our crowd and students were very deserving. Hopefully we can carry this enthusiasm into the basketball season to make every game more exciting for all. Thanks for all the hard work!

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Catherine Mick stands ready at the net against St. Mary's at the state volleyball tournament.

Kale Kleinschmidt leads the student section in a cheer against Howells-Dodge.

NEW EARLY LEARNING FACILITY

To complete the new Early Learning Facility, Shickley Public Schools has opened a daycare. The district has hired Sue Loseke (pictured below) to be the director of the program. It is designed to provide childcare for children 6 weeks - 3 years of age.

It will also provide some after school care for school age children. The program will be run according to Rule 11 which is set by the Nebraska Department of Education.



*Sue Loseke
Daycare Director*

NEW DAYCARE DIRECTOR

I am originally from Geneva, Nebraska and graduated from Geneva High School in 1981. I went to college at Kearney State College from 1981 to 1985. I majored in Elementary Education with an Early Childhood Endorsement. I taught 3rd at District 60 in Hastings, NE for 2 years before moving to Texas., where I lived from 1987 to 1993. I was an executive secretary and underwriter during that time. My first son was born while I lived down in Texas. I moved back to Nebraska in 1993 to marry my current



Above and Below: Children playing at the new daycare.



dentist office as an assistant. When my second son was born, I started an in-home daycare which I ran for seven years. During that time, my third son was born. When my last child went to kindergarten I decided to change careers and went to Geneva State Bank. I was a teller there for 11 years. The opportunity came up for me to become the Director of the Shickley Public School Daycare, and it was a dream come true for me.

I always wanted to have a big daycare, but never had the chance to make it happen. I was very pleased the day I received the phone call and was offered the position. I plan to make this daycare fun and loving with a home-like atmosphere each and every day. Stop by anytime, there are always lots of smiles, hugs, and activities going on. It is a fun place to be.

FEATURED NEW CLASSES

College Readiness

A new class being offered at Shickley Public Schools this year is our College Readiness class. This class will provide students with guidance and time to assist them in completing the FAFSA form, college applications, career aptitude testing, and other college planning. One of the things this class is currently doing is going through the book "What Color Is Your Parachute For Teens" by Christen and Bolles.



This photo shows students working in the new college readiness class.

Introduction to Business, Marketing and Management

A new class being offered at Shickley Public School this year is Introduction to Business, Marketing and Management. Currently in this class the students are discussing basic economic concepts. In their first few chapters they were introduced to economic activities, the decisions that need to be made, the various economic systems used, and the global economy. They are learning to apply basic business operations to their everyday lives. An example of this is assisting the school in the operation of the concession stand. For the concession stand they have priced and stocked the merchandise, organized and cleaned the workplace, and are planning on calculating the total profit. This class is helping the students obtain more knowledge about basic business procedures.



Pictured is class teacher Karma Yantzie, discussing with Business, Marketing, and Management students Delaney Davis, Madison Yantzie, and Tristen Mosier.

FINANCE CHALLENGE

The Exploration of Business & Entrepreneurship and Introduction to Business, Marketing & Management classes recently participated in the Nebraska Finance Challenge. The students were divided into teams and competed online by answering 30-questions, a rapid-fire exam consisting of categories on Income and Money Management, Spending and Credit, and Saving and Investing.

The Exploration of Business & Entrepreneurship class competed in the Middle School level. Here are the teams and results out of 38 teams:

Green Team – Megan Grote, Nicole Swartzendruber, & Anthony Beavers – 5th

Horns Team – Carley Elznic, Holden Stengel, & Jacob Swartzendruber – 11th

Black Team – Kellen Reinsch, Wyatt Deepe, Thomas Mick, & Lexi Kadel – 14th

The Introduction to Business, Marketing & Management class competed in the High School level. Here is the teams result out of 276 team:

Longhorns – Delaney Davis, Tristen Mosier, & Madison Yantzie -27th

The high school business competition team: Delaney Davis, Tristen Mosier and Madison Yantzie.



SHICKLEY BUSINESS DEPARTMENT RECEIVES GRANT

The Shickley Community Foundation awarded \$3,000 to the Shickley High School Business Department for the purchase of iPads. The iPads will be implemented in business & computer courses to enhance student learning. The Business Department was also awarded \$500 for use in the Exploration of Business & Entrepreneurship class. The class has created a Classroom Economy in which students earn money for performing classroom jobs and bonuses while paying expenses and fines for poor behavior. The money will be used to purchase items for their classroom auctions held during the course of the semester.



Mrs. Yantzie accepts the Shickley Community Foundation grant during their fall banquet held on November 13th.

FIRST GRADE NEWS

The first grade students have been learning about veterans and how they are important to our country and our daily lives. Mr. Shipley was our guest speaker and he elaborated on his experiences overseas. We wrote a letter to a veteran, and in the process we learned about the format of a letter and an envelope. We are anxiously awaiting replies to our letters.

The children have watched some science experiments and were amazed at how some substances react to each other. They have just finished learning about the design process and wrote a detailed plan in order to solve a problem that they were having.

In reading the students have been learning how details of a story support the main idea. They are also working on retelling a story to include the most important details. Mrs. Noel, who teaches our grammar group, has been teaching the difference between proper and common nouns.

In math the children are learning the moves to a Skip Count song which focuses on counting by twos. Subtracting one from any number has also been a main focus.

THIRD GRADE ART PROJECT

The 3rd graders are doing a unit on Japanese Art. They watched a video about a real Japanese Tea Ceremony and discussed their traditions and customs. Next, students used the pinch pot method to create a teacup. They added a coil to the bottom to make a foot for their pot and “scored and slipped” the clay to make sure it was attached securely. Leaves were pressed into the clay because Japanese art is often based on nature. Japanese teacups do not have handles, so we left handles off too! After the art pieces were bisque fired in the kiln, students used dinnerware safe glazes to complete their projects. Finally, we had a class tea party to celebrate and invited Miss. Millnitz! Students had lemonade (because we don’t care for tea) and we read the book “DogKu” to learn more about Haiku poetry for our next project.



The third graders have a tea party using the pottery they made.

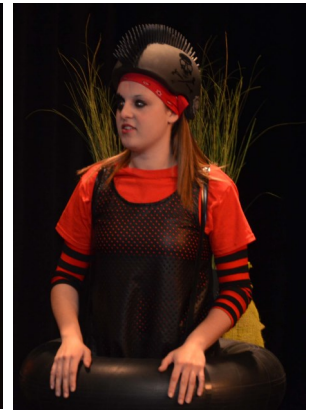
FINE ART'S NIGHT

On Monday, November 11, 2013 Shickley Public Schools hosted their annual Fine Arts' Night. The evening's activities began at 7:30 P.M., featuring the one-act play production, an artwork exhibit, and the marching band's court show.

Alien Fish

The one-act play, "Alien Fish" by Bradley Walton, was an upbeat and silly play that sent a heartwarming message about protecting those who are innocent and vulnerable and recognizing the contributions of all.

Ten high school students comprised the cast and crew, and the play was directed by Jennifer Ippensen and student director Delaney Davis.



Actors getting into their roles explore Billy's Discount Fishing Supply Store. Top Left to Right: Chris Lichti, Catherine Mick, Bret Smith, Tristen Mosier, John Alfs. Bottom Left: Bret Smith and Tristen Mosier. Bottom right: Logan Rosenquist



Action paintings done by 5th and 6th Graders

Shickley Artwork

Artwork from Shickley students in grades K-12 was exhibited. Art projects included drawings, paintings, collages, prints, ceramics, and mixed media inspired by a variety of artists and art styles. All displayed artworks were created this fall under the instruction of Rebecca Jorgenson.

Shickley Marching Band

The Shickley marching band performed its 2013 season finale at the Fine Arts' Night. The band is under the direction of Joshua R. F. Harris.



The Shickley High School band about to start the court show.



Seniors band members Christy Swartzendruber, Matyson Kleinschmidt, Jaycey Shipley, and Jennifer Mick are pictured here at their last court show.

Those in attendance viewed artwork and enjoyed an ice cream social sponsored by the band boosters during the intermission between the play and the band's court show. There was also a "behind the scenes" slideshow playing in the lobby, giving people a glimpse of students working hard and having fun while participating in the fine and performing arts.

SHICKLEY FFA ATTENDS NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

From October 29th through November 2nd five Shickley FFA members had the opportunity to attend the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Members attending were: Dillon Deepe, John Alfs, Chris Lichti, Carley Swartzendruber and Nicole Swartzendruber. During Convention, members attended different leadership workshops where they learned how to ignite their leadership abilities. They also attended the Career Expo and were able to meet representatives of different agriculture colleges from across the U.S. Members were able to see fellow Nebraskan and National Officer Brennan Costello give his retiring address during a general session.

Students went on a tour through the Louisville Slugger Museum and were able to see how the famous bats were made. Members also saw the National AgriScience contest finalists' projects and ask the participants questions about their projects. It was a great trip and learning experience for the attending FFA members.



FFA Members before their session.



FFA members in front of the Expo Center in Kentucky



Left: FFA members with Ms. Witte in front of the Louisville Slugger Museum, from left to right: Ms. Witte, Dillon Deepe, Carley Swartzendruber, Chis Lichti, Megan Swartzendruber and John Alfs.

SHICKLEY FFA ATTENDS LIVESTOCK JUDGING

On Wednesday, November 13th Shickley FFA Members traveled to Hastings where they competed at the District VI Livestock Judging contest. Members attending were: Jacob Swartzendruber, Anthony Beavers, Kellen Reinsch, Thomas Mick, Megan Grote, Carley ELznic, Wyatt Deepe, Lexi Kadel, Holden Stengel, Courtney Kamler, Kale Kleinschmidt, Carley Swartzendruber, John Alfs, Chris Lichti, Bret Smith, Sam Plock, Megan Swartzendruber, Blake Stengel and Nathan Hendrickson.

Members judged seven classes of livestock and took a written exam. The Jr. High team of Holden Stengel (2nd), Anthony Beavers (3rd), Megan Grote (6th) and Lexi Kadel (8th) were awarded the first place team in the Jr. High Division.

Also placing in the top 20 in the Jr. High division were: Carley Elznic(12th), Nicole Swartzendruber(14th) and Kellen Reinsch (17th).

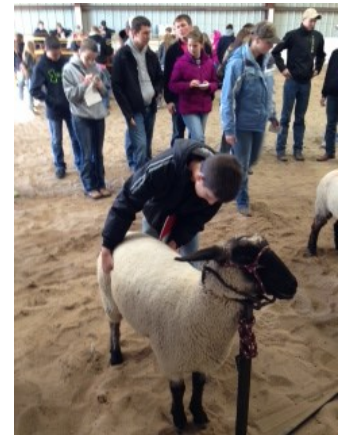
In the senior division Nathan Hendrickson placed 6th and Blake Stengel placed 7th overall out of 104 participants.



FFA members who attended the district VI Livestock Judging Contest in Hastings.



Anthony Beavers and Chris Lichti judging sheep.



Jacob Swartzendruber judges a sheep.



Courtney Kamler judging swine.



Carley Elznic judging.

STATE VOLLEYBALL 2013

Congratulations, Lady Eagles, on your State Volleyball Runner-Up title!



State Runner-Up Photo. Back Row left to right: Head Coach Sorge, Coach Yantzie, Coach Swartzendruber, Coach Witte, Middle Row left to right: Johanna Kluck, Catherine Mick, Kristin Troyer, Madison Yantzie, McKenna Shardt, Jaycie Hoins, Tristen Moiser, Brice Ardissono, Front Row left to right, Emily Folkerts, Jill Schroeder, Kalli Schroeder, Matyson Kleinshmidt, Christy Swartzendruber.



Matyson Kleinshmidt preparing to put the ball down on the other team.



Team members on the bench cheering on their teammates.



Christy Swartzendruber set up at the net, waiting for the serve.



Varsity members getting ready for the match.



Christy Swartzendruber cheering on her teammates.

STATE VOLLEYBALL 2013

Thank you to the band and student section for showing their support for the Lady Eagles at the state volleyball tournament!



Our band members all in white at the last match of the Class D-1 State volleyball Championship, supporting the Lady Eagles.



Above Logan Rosenquist playing along with the pep band supporting the BDS Eagles.



Ben Elznic cheering on BDS in the second match of the State Volleyball Tournament.



Between sets the pep band kept the crowd and the team fired up.



Ben Elznic and Kale Kleinshmidt dressed in neon to help lead our student section.

SHICKLEY'S VETERANS DAY PROGRAM



Mrs. Shultz leads her Kindergarten class in the Pledge of Allegiance in the Veterans' Day program.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

The kindergarten class at Shickley Public School had the honor of being part of the Veterans' Day program held at Shickley Public School. The class led the whole assembly in saying the Pledge of Allegiance. They did an awesome job! Members of the kindergarten class are teacher Mrs. Schultz, Jaxen Heath, Oliver Oglesby, Evan Swartzendruber, Levi Kamler, Brady Noel, Lexie Johnson, Olivia Schlegel, Luke Elting, and Carter Dunlap.

LEGION AWARDS

The Shickley Legion honored several veterans for their service to the American Legion. The ceremony was held on Monday, November 11th, at the Veterans Day program which was held at the Shickley Public School. Commander Gerry Stengel presented 65 year medals to Earl Anderson and Elmer Reinsch. Sixty year medals were presented to Francis L. Reinsch, Gerry Grote, Dale Johnson, Dick Hendrickson, and Francis. J. Reinsch. The auxiliary gave each honoree a gift certificate.



Pictured left to right: Gerry Stengel, Dale Johnson, Dick Hendrickson, Francis J. Reinsch, Francis L. Reinsch, Jerry Grote, Elmer Reinsch and Earl Anderson.



Megan Swartzendruber receives her chair from a veteran during the skit at the Veterans' Day program.

REMEMBERING WHAT VETERANS HAVE DONE

The Shickley Jr. High Choir sang and the High School Band performed songs and helped with a skit showing sacrifices veterans have made for our country. The band members came out and realized they had no chairs. The veterans got up and got chairs for all the members of the band and didn't sit back down until they were sure everyone had a place to sit. It was a good reminder of what veterans have done for us and that we need to thank them.

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

Foster Grandparents are volunteers, 55 years of age or older, providing support to children. Foster Grandparents are role models, mentors, and friends to children. This program provides a way for people to stay active by serving children and youth in their communities. Foster Grandparent Volunteers may be in your child's classroom as special helpers. If your child talks about "Grandma or Grandpa" at school, they are probably talking about the Foster Grandparent Volunteer.

The Program is always looking for more people who love children and are looking for something to do 15-40 hours a week. When volunteering, you are not only helping others and your community, you are helping yourself. For more information, contact the Community Action office at 402-223-6036/ 1-800-540-8981.

The Foster Grandparent Program is funded by the corporation for National and Community Service and sponsored by Blue Valley Community Action Partnership. Volunteers get paid a minimal stipend per hour, earn leave time, vacation time, supplemental accident & liability insurance, and meals while on duty.



Grandma Nancy helps Blain Kempf with his new book in the first grade room.

CHILD FIND

Do you know a child five years of age or younger who may not be developing appropriately because of difficulties with: seeing or hearing, talking, sitting, standing, walking, thinking or behaving appropriately? Call 402-627-3375 if you are served by the Shickley Public Schools.

Parents or guardians of children with special needs, from birth through the age of 21 years, can receive special education services. The testing and education services are of no cost to the parent. The service is provided through Nebraska School Law and Public Law 94-142. Anyone having a handicapped child in the Shickley School District may contact school administration at 402-627-3375 for details.



SHICKLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

"Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning."

- Benjamin Franklin

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is the mission of Shickley Public School to prepare students for success, and it is our goal to accomplish this by improving our students' reading, writing, and critical thinking skills. Notice, our goal is not to try and meet an established benchmark, but to see improvement in each of our students' skills, each and every day. We are doing this in a number of ways: introducing tools for the students to develop which will grow with them as they grow, teaching and practicing skills for critical reading and thinking about information taken in as a consumer, and developing the skills needed to organize and present thoughts and ideas in a logical manner. These may sound simple, but as the information and knowledge students encounter and develop becomes more complex, so do the tools needed to manage and process this information and knowledge. The key is to develop these tools and skills early on, and allow them to grow and develop along with our students. For our older students, the challenge is to accelerate the learning process, and to help them see the value in these tools and skills so they continue to use them in their journey from Shickley to college and/or career.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the work we are doing at Shickley Public School, or if you would like to share in the process of preparing our students for success, please don't hesitate to stop in and talk, or give us a call.

Derek Ippensen
K-12 Principal
Activities Director



Kindergarten



First Grade



Second Grade



Third Grade



Sixth Grade



Fifth Grade



Fourth Grade

HALLOWEEN FUN

Elementary students
paraded downtown
and had classroom
parties to celebrate
Halloween.