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SUPER SCOOP

Summer is just around the corner. It is hard to believe, but it is on its way. With that comes some opportunities to celebrate what the students at Shickley Public School have accomplished in the 2013-2014 School year. On April 22, we will be having our BDS athletic banquet at the school in Bruning. This will be a time to celebrate the athletic accomplishments of our students. On April 29, we will be having an Awards night at Shickley. This is going to be different then it has been in years past. We will be adding a more academic focus to the awards night. Each teacher in the high school will be giving out an award for who they feel is the best student in their area. They will be giving at least two awards: one for junior high and one for high school. We will continue to have the National Honor Society Induction ceremony, as well as honoring the Speech and One Act students. It will be a great opportunity for everyone to come celebrate some significant accomplishments of our student body. In addition to honoring students, a new award will be given to honor an individual or business who has shown significant commitment to Shickley Public Schools. Make sure you do not miss these opportunities to celebrate with our students. It has been a great year!

Bryce Jorgenson
Superintendent



*On Tuesday, March 25th an all-school assembly was held. The theme for the gathering was "YUS" (as in "Yes") — we do know how important it is to do our best academically: It is essential for **You** as an individual, **Us** as a class, and **Shickley** as a school.*

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HESSTON COLLEGE RECRUITS SHICKLEY 'S CHRISTY SWARTZENDRUBER

Hesston College volleyball coach Jessica Cleveland announces Christy Swartzendruber, a 5'7" outside hitter from Shickley (Neb.) High School, as the newest addition to the Larks 2014 recruiting class.

A two-time Omaha World Herald first-team all-state and first-team all-conference player, Swartzendruber recorded 374 kills and 630 digs as a senior, leading a consolidated Bruning-Davenport-Shickley team to a 30-4 record and state tournament runner-up finish.

"I'm happy to add Christy to the 2014 roster," Cleveland said. "Her high school team took second in state so I know she will adjust to the college level fast. She's an athletic outside hitter who knows how to put a ball away."

Swartzendruber is the daughter of Will and Marge (1980 Hesston graduate) Swartzendruber, of Shickley. She attends Salem Mennonite Church, in Shickley, and is active in the youth group and youth band there.

In volleyball, Hesston College competes in Division II of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA). Located 30 miles north of Wichita, Hesston College is the two-year liberal arts college of Mennonite Church USA.



Christy Swartzendruber signs to play volleyball with Hesston College.

THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT RECEIVES IPADS

The Shickley Business Department received a \$3,000 grant from the Shickley Community Foundation to purchase 10 iPads. The iPads will be used in business classes to engage students in learning activities. The iPads are currently being used by the Careers 7 and the Information Technology II classes. The students are using a variety of apps to create picture collages, make videos, and take photos to be used in class projects. The students will then collect projects in an e-Portfolio using the Livebinder app and website. Students' final projects will be shared at Mrs. Yantzie's school website.

The Career 7 class uses the iPads to create their digital Roadmap of My Life Projects.

The Information Technology II class explores the variety of picture production and video apps available to showcase their IT Career Research Project.



Freshmen Class using the iPads to work on Livebinders projects.

ENTERTAINING END TO THE SHICKLEY SPEECH SEASON



Class D-2 Entertainment Champion Chris Lichti and Runner-Up Kristin Troyer return to school following the their successful run at the state contest.

Shickley's state qualifiers competed in the Class D2 NSAA Speech Championships on the University of Nebraska-Kearney campus on Friday, March 28, 2014. Entertainment speakers Kristin Troyer and Chris Lichti made the final round and finished runner-up and state champion respectively. Coach Jennifer Ippensen said, "Their speaking abilities certainly played a huge role in their success this season; however, their writing skills, fun-loving personalities, and hard work were also major contributing factors. I was especially impressed by how much they supported each other throughout this very competitive season. It's exciting to see them have so much success; it is well-deserved." The success of these two competitors went beyond the speaking floor this season. Both these student-competitors also recently earned NCPA NSAA Academic All-State Awards.

In addition to Troyer's and Lichti's Entertainment speeches, Shickley's other qualifying entries in the state contest included Lichti with his acting partner Bret Smith in Duet and Logan Rosenquist in Oral Interpretation of Serious Prose.



Class D2 state champion Chris Lichti presents his Entertainment speech during which he discusses the long-term effects of growing up with his sisters, including having to try on multiple outfits before being able to choose one.



In her Entertainment speech about being sassy, Kristin Troyer explains that it is a great way to get what you want and provides some historical examples. Troyer is this year's Class D2 state runner-up in this speaking event.

SHICKLEY FFA COMPETES AT DISTRICTS

On March 12th District VI Career Development Events were held at Hastings Community College. Shickley FFA had 23 members competing in different contest and they learned from their experiences. In Stick/Arc welding Ben Row got a white, In O/A Dillon Deepe received a white. The Livestock Management team consisting of: Rio Mohrmann, Nathan Hendrickson, Sam Plock, John Alfs, Dakota McBride and Carley Swartzendruber were awarded a blue ribbon. The Ag Sales team qualified for state and received a blue ribbon. Bret Smith placed third overall and was awarded a purple ribbon. Red ribbons were awarded to Blake Stengel and Courtney Kamler. Kale Kleinschmidt received a white. The Food Science team qualified for state while receiving a blue ribbon. Members of the Food Sciences team were: Jennifer Mick, blue ribbon; Christy Swartzendruber, blue ribbon; Tyler Reece, blue ribbon; and Matyson Kleinschmidt, red ribbon. The Floriculture team was awarded a blue ribbon. Catherine Mick and Megan



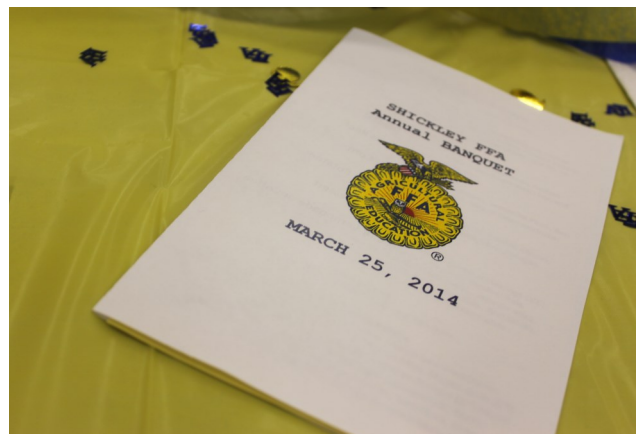
Students who attended districts pose here with Ms. Witte.

Swartzendruber received purple ribbons. Jacey Shipley received a blue ribbon and Tristen Mosier got a red ribbon. Members who qualified for state will compete in April at the Nebraska State FFA convention.

35th ANNUAL BANQUET HELD BY SHICKLEY FFA CHAPTER

On Tuesday, March 25th the Shickley FFA Chapter held their 35th annual FFA Banquet. Parents, supporters and members were in attendance to recognize the achievements of the members. Following the meal awards were presented to members. Receiving the first degree of membership, the Discovery degree, were the 8th grade members, which are: Anthony Beavers, Wyatt Deepe, Carley Elznic, Megan Grote, Lexi Kadel, Thomas Mick, Kellen Reinsch, Holden Stengel, Jacob Swartzendruber, and Nicole Swartzendruber. Freshman members were awarded their Greenhand degrees, these were awarded to: John Alfs, Courtney Kamler, Kale Kleinschmidt, Christian Lichti, Dakota McBride, Rio Mohrmann, and Carley Swartzendruber. Receiving their Chapter Degrees were the following Sophomores: Ben Elznic, Catherine Mick, Tristen Mosier, and Madison Yantzie. Members were awarded gift cards for being the top fruit salesmen in the chapter, those members were: Nathan Hendrickson, John Alfs, Courtney Kamler, Dakota McBride, Carley Swartzendruber, and Anthony Beavers. Star degrees were selected based on the most involved and active member of each degree recipient class. The Star Discovery Degree was given to Holden Stengel, the Star Greenhand Degree was awarded to John Alfs, and Catherine Mick was selected as the Star Chapter Degree Recipient. The Outstanding Member award was given to the student who had achieved the most FFA points out of all the members; Blake Stengel was the recipient. The Chapter Leader award was given to Jennifer Mick. Ben Row was recognized for his three dis-

trict proficiencies and one state proficiency which received a silver. The Honorary Chapter Degree was given to Doug Straight, who had served as advisor of the Shickley FFA for over 33 years. Doug also is very involved with the Shickley FFA Alumni. Executive Officers for the 2014-2015 school year are: John Alfs, Kale Kleinschmidt, Holden Stengel, Carley Swartzendruber, and Nicole Swartzendruber. The officers elected to serve the chapter were: President Nathan Hendrickson, Vice President Megan Swartzendruber, Secretary Blake Stengel, Treasurer Ben Row, Reporter Catherine Mick, Sentinel Sam Plock, and Parliamentarian Tristen Mosier.



SHICKLEY FBLA CELEBRATES FBLA WEEK

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) students at Shickley joined others across the state during the week of February 9-15 to celebrate FBLA Week. This week provides members the opportunity to demonstrate how FBLA educates their members in the fields of business, technology, and career skills. Moreover, members showed their appreciation for the FBLA as they continued to “Ignite Innovation.”

The special activities held this week included the “Jammies for Babies” fundraiser for the March of Dimes. Students and Faculty donated money to wear pajamas to school. This activity raised \$124.50 for the March of Dimes. The FBLA chapter promoted their “Going Green” project by holding a poster contest for the 5th and 6th grades, sponsoring a Shickley recycling center trivia question, providing daily “Going Green” facts, and wearing green to school. Each winner received a Walmart gift card.



Students that dressed in pajama's for the day in support of the March of Dimes.



Left: The winners of the FBLA “Go Green” poster contest were Brooke Jorgenson, Alyssa Nolt, Briana Janing, and Zach Mosier. Each winner received a Walmart gift card.



Right: Students wore green to show their support for FBLA's Go Green project.



Left: Shickley 5th & 6th Grade students competed in the FBLA Week poster contest. They designed a posters promoting “Going Green”.

BAND

The Shickley High School and Jr. High band members have been busy attending many honor bands.

Meridian Honor Band:

Jackson Grote, Megan Grote, Josiah Kamler, Jadyn Kleinschmidt, and Holden Stengel.

Cross Roads Conference Honor Band:

Courtney Kamler, Matyson Kleinschmidt, Chris Lichti, Catherine Mick, Jennifer Mick, Tristen Mosier, Logan Rosenquist, Bret Smith, Blake Stengel, Christy Swartzendruber, Megan Swartzendruber, and Kristin Troyer.

York Honor Band:

Nicole Swartzendruber.

Class D Band:

Chris Lichti, Catherine Mick, Tristen Mosier, Kristin Troyer, Bret Smith, Megan Swartzendruber, Jennifer Mick, Matyson Kleinschmidt, and Christy Swartzendruber.

Shickley Junior and Senior High Bands and Choirs performed a concert on Thursday, March 20th, at Shickley High School. Desserts were provided for those attending the concert by the Music Boosters. The music for the concert was all from popular genres over time. The High School Choir debuted their new choir robes, which were purchased by the Music Boosters and Shickley Public School.



The Crossroads Conference honor band and honor choir took place on March 24th at the Edwin and Bernice Lock Theater in Central City. Fourteen students from Shickley participated in the two ensembles. Seven of the students were selected and performed in both the band and the choir.



Class D All-State band took place on the UNK campus Saturday, March 22nd. Nine students were represented from Shickley across the three bands. The three ensembles comprised of around 150 students from all across Nebraska.



Nicole Swartzendruber was selected to perform at the York Honor Band on Saturday, March 1, 2014. Nicole was one of 150 8th graders who participated.

CHOIR

The Shickley High School and Jr. High choirs have also been busy.

Meridian Honor Choir:

Anthony Beavers, Carley Elznic, Victoria Escalera, Lexi Kadel, Thomas Mick, Caitlin Mosier, Kellen Reinsch, and Nicole Swartzendruber.

Doane Honor Choir:

Kristin Troyer.

UNO Honor Choir:

Chris Lichti and Kristin Troyer.

UNK Honor Choir:

Kristin Troyer.

CRC Honor Choir:

Kristin Troyer, Christy Swartzendruber, Matyson Kleinschmidt, Nate Hendrickson, Chris Lichti, Blake Stengel, Catherine Mick, Kale Kleinschmidt, and Bret Smith.

Weslyan Honor Choir:

Chris Lichti.

NOTE FROM MR. HARRIS

I attended the Nebraska State Bandmasters Association Convention. The Shickley High School Band was awarded the Excellence in Academic Achievement award. This is awarded annually to high school bands that have an accumulative GPA of 3.5 and above. This is the 10th consecutive year that Shickley has received this prestigious award. I would like to recognize all of our students and teachers as this award was due to your hard work in and out of the classroom. It is a privilege to be on a staff that allows excellence to be their standard. Please keep up the good work.



The Junior High Choir serenading Mrs. Caroline Mosier on stage by singing "Sweet Caroline."



The Shickley Choir performed at the Crossroads Conference Junior High Vocal Clinic held at Hampton Public School. They performed 4 mass choir selections with nine other schools. The Shickley students also performed as their own choir by singing "The Water is Wide."

SHICKLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL HOSTS RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

On Friday, March 21st, Shickley Public School held their second annual blood drive. The Red Cross's theme to their blood drives this year is "Choose to stand out, be a Red Cross Blood Donor."

At the blood drive, the National Honor Society stood out by providing the personnel needed to load and unload the equipment and staff the registration table. The faculty and staff of Shickley Public School stood out by providing the food and drinks for donors during the drive. And, 33 people chose to stand out on Friday by donating 37 total units of blood. This helped Shickley to meet the goal set of 36 units, and has qualified the school to be eligible for a \$250 scholarship for one senior from the Red Cross.

The Shickley Public School blood drive is one of three held each year in Shickley, with the others being held in the fall and in the summer. Shickley Public School is proud to be a part of this rotation, and proud to have chosen to stand out and help save lives.

MATH DAY

Harvard High School hosted their third annual Harvard Math Day on March 1, 2014 with three schools participating. Jennifer Mick, Christy Swartzendruber, Nathan Hendrickson, and Rio Mohrmann competed for Shickley High School. The day consisted of three events. Each student started the morning with a 25 question individual written test. Jennifer Mick placed 4th and Christy Swartzendruber took 5th. While the tests were being scored, students participated in a 60 question quick clicker competition. Mick finished in 3rd place and Swartzendruber in 4th. The day concluded with a math quiz bowl. Shickley had a strong performance but did not bring home a medal. A great day was had by all.



The members of the National Honor Society helped make the blood drive a success. Back row: Logan Rosenquist, Megan Swartzendruber, Jennifer Mick, Christy Swartzendruber, Blake Stengel, Rio Mohrmann. Front Row: Nate Hendrickson, Matyson Kleinschmidt, Kristin Troyer.



Jennifer Mick and Christy Swartzendruber show off the awards they received at Harvard Math Day.

JR. HIGH SPELLING BEE

The 2014 Fillmore County Spelling Bee took place on Tuesday, February 18 at the Fillmore County Courthouse. The elementary students participating in the event were: Dalton Kleinschmidt, Blake Schlegel, Reid Richards, Macy Kamler, Brooke Jorgenson, Regan Alfs, and Raegen Fiala. The junior high students participating were: Caleb Hendrickson, Josiah Kamler, Jadyn Kleinschmidt, Kellen Reinsch, Megan Grote, Anthony Beavers, and Wyatt Deepe. Winning 1st and 2nd place respectively in the junior high division were Megan Grote and Kellen Reinsch.



Megan Grote and Kellen Reinsch with their first and second place spelling bee trophies.

JR. HIGH BASKETBALL

The Bruning-Davenport Shickley Junior High Boys Basketball team wrapped up their year with a 42-29 victory over Giltner in the Cross Roads Conference Junior High championship game Saturday. With the victory the team of 19 boys completed a 9-0 record in A team games as well as a 5-1 record in B team games. In addition to the Crossroads championship the team was also the winner at a 4 team Friend tournament earlier in January. The group was co-head coached by Russ Reinsch and Fred Kluck and the coaches both commented that they felt like the group was made up of hard working, good listeners who were easy to coach. The BDS junior high girls basketball team capped their conference play-off with a win over the Giltner Hornets 36-21 in the conference championship game.



Above and Below: The CRC Jr. High basketball champions pose with their plaques.



SHICKLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

"[It] is the little causes, long continued, which are considered as bringing about the greatest changes of the earth."

– James Hutton

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It may seem strange to be thinking about next year already, but as the end of the year draws near, we need to begin planning for next year and the changes in store. The idea of evolution, or change over time, is interwoven into the fabric of a school, of our school. Education is built upon the idea that our understanding of concepts grows and changes over time. Our students change over time: as individuals, as classes, and as an entire student body. Our staff changes over time too, just like the students: as individuals, as grade-level groups, and as an entire staff. And, just like the student body and the staff, the building, the environment and the culture evolves. Over the course of the next few months, there will be a number of changes occurring: graduation, selecting new classes, hiring new staff members, and adding new landscaping are just a few of them. The key in this process is to embrace the change, because just like winter turns to spring, change brings excitement and life.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the changes happening 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
Shickley Public School



Shickley FFA Members received numerous awards at the 35th annual banquet. See related article on page 4.

