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Shickley Public School - Preparing Students for Success

Mark your calendars for the following important dates:

November 4th School Dismissed at 2:30 P.M.

November 7th School Assembly at 1:30 P.M.

November 7th Fine Arts Night at 7:00 P.M.

November 9th Veterans Day Program in gym at 10:00 A.M.

November 14th School Board Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

November 16th
Host Conference
One Act.
No School PreK-6.

November 18th School Dismissed at 2:30 P.M.

November 23rd School Dismissed at 1:00 P.M. for Thanksgiving Break.

Please check Joyce's calendar for more events.

# Notes from Mr. Jorgenson

Safety: What should schools do? There is a wide variety of responses across the state for this question. Some schools are locked down like Fort Knox and others are open for anyone to enter. No one wants their school to feel like a prison, but on the flip side, no one wants to regret not having more security after an incident happens at their school. So where is the correct balance?

There is no definite answer, but I will tell you what we are doing at Shickley. Moving the offices this summer was a great change. Joyce or I can now see all of the people who will enter the building before they get to the front door. Prior to this, we couldn't see people coming into the building until they were already in the lobby. By itself, this has been a tremendous improvement. However, we have also added cameras and electronic locks to the facility. Starting October 25th, the school is now locked, including the front door.

When you visit the school, at the main entrance, there is button you will need to push that will ring in Joyce's office, my office, and Mr. Ippensen's office. We will then unlock the door for you to enter the building. When you push the button, there is also a camera that will show us who is at the front door. There are other cameras throughout the facility as well. We are now able to better monitor the playground, drop off points, and parking lots with the additional cameras. During public times of games, concerts, etc., the front doors will be open and there will not be any need to push the button. We are able to set when the doors remain unlocked and when they are closed. I am even able to control it with my cell phone.

These changes that have been made to the facility are a large step towards making Shickley Public Schools a safer place to be.

Bryce Jorgenson
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# **Angel in School**

The K-4<sup>th</sup> grades have an 'angel' who has graciously agreed to be our Foster Grandparent for another year. Her name is Grandma Nancy Hanouw and the students absolutely love having her in the classrooms. She assists students who need some extra support in reading and math. Her quiet demeanor is what makes her such an asset to Shickley Pubic School as she is able to help students in a calm and respectful manner. Foster Grandparents agree to volunteer for at least 15 hours per week and are part of the Blue Valley Community Action Program based out of Beatrice. If you are interested in signing up for this program, please contact Mrs. Nelson at the school (627-3375).

Grandma Nancy is shown with first graders Eli Margheim, Cameron Wilson, Max Andersen, and Veronica Flint.



# **Grandparents Everywhere!**

The lower elementary students are very fortunate to have a community of volunteers who dedicate their time to helping students succeed in school. Some of the volunteers are actual grandparents, but many of them are not. They come to listen to students read during their independent reading time from 1:00-1:30. Pictured are Iris Wagers and Maxximus Andersen, who is a first grader. Some of the other grandparents include: Marj Dowdy, Larry Carlson, Larry and Mary Paul, Sandra Shafer-Nagy, Beth Schweitzer, Camella Waters, Frances Heinrichs, Maurine Domeier, Jean Oswald, Deb Carlson, Connie Fiala, and Diane Schweitzer. Beth Schweitzer is our newest volunteer. Thank you, Beth, for choosing to help us!



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#### **ASVAB**

Having an idea of what to do with the rest of one's life can sometimes be confusing and other times difficult. The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) has two purposes. First, it is an entrance exam used by the military to determine a future recruit's qualifications and proper placement. Second of all, and how we use the ASVAB at our school, it gives students, parents, and counselors an overview of a student's strengths, weaknesses, and possible career options. The sophomores and juniors will be taking the ASVAB test on November 28, with their results likely being interpreted in December.

# Trick or Treat for Food Pantry (written by the third graders)

Trick or Treat! The Shickley third grade went trick or treating, but it was not for candy, it was for the food pantry. We put on our costumes and got into groups to go all over town to collect food. When we got to someone's door, we shared that we wanted to make a difference. So we wanted to know if they would like to donate. We had a lot of Shickley members contribute.

We collected canned and boxed goods, soap, laundry detergent, and so much more! We collected 441 items in just an hour! Our goal is to help people who need it. We made a difference! We loved doing it!

Pictured are the third graders holding up some of the items they collected for the food pantry.



#### **Red Ribbon Week**

Red Ribbon Week began in 1985 in honor of Enrique Camarena, a DEA Agent, who was killed in the line of duty. Camarena dedicated his life to decreasing drug use and distribution. As a symbol of commitment, students, parents, and families began wearing red ribbons as a sign of their willingness to stop drug abuse. Red Ribbon Week has expanded to sharing information about alcohol and tobacco use as well. The Student Council gave small treats throughout the week of Oct. 24-28 as a way to bring awareness to the harmfulness and destruction caused by addictive substances. A special thank you goes to the Fillmore County Coalition for the treats they provided for the elementary and secondary students.

# **FFA Competes at Land Judging Contest**

On Wednesday, October 5th FFA members traveled to Marquette, Nebraska to compete in the South Central Regional Land Judging Contest. At the contest students determined soil texture, permeability, amount of

erosion, and slope and depth to which roots can grow. They then used this information to determine land capability class and prescribe land treatments.

The chapter had a good showing with almost everyone who competed earning a ribbon. The champion South Central Land Judging Team (which is pictured) was Chris Lichti (7th purple), John Alfs (purple), Courtney Kamler (red), and Anthony Beavers (10th purple). Shickley Team 2 received a white ribbon with members Thomas Mick (blue), Lexi Kadel (blue), Holden Stengel (blue), and Jacob Swartzendruber (blue). Also competing at the land judging contest were: Jadyn Kleinschmidt (blue), Mikaela Andersen (red), Isaac Kamler (red), Caleb Hendrickson (red), Caitlin Mosier (white), and Josiah Kamler.



# Arrghh you ready for the Fall 2016 Book Fair? Visit our pirate-themed Bookaneer Book Fair: Where books are the treasure!

The 2016 Scholastic Book Fair will be held at Shickley Public Schools from November 7th-11th in the Distance Learning Room with a variety of hours open for shopping. During the book fair week, the family event night will be Monday, November 7th from 5:00-9:00 P.M. If you are unable to attend the Book Fair in person, you still have the opportunity to purchase books through the online store (October 31st-November 10th).

Online Book Fair Shopping is located at:

http://www.scholastic.com/bf/shickleyschool



# **Book Fair Shopping Schedule**

#### Monday, November 7th:

7:30-8:10 A.M. Open for Morning Shopping 9:15-9:45 A.M. 5th Grade Class Preview 2:00-2:30 P.M. 4th Grade Class Preview

Family Night 5:00-9:00 PM

#### Tuesday, November 8th:

7:30-8:10 A.M. Open for Morning Shopping 9:15-9:45 A.M. 6th Grade Class Preview 2:00-2:30 P.M. 3rd Grade Class Preview 2:30-3:00 P.M. Kindergarten Class Preview 3:00-3:30 P.M. 1st Grade Class Preview 3:30-5:30 P.M. Open for After School Shopping

#### Wednesday, November 9th:

7:30-8:10 A.M. Open for Morning Shopping 9:15-9:45 A.M. 5th Grade Class Shopping 2:00-2:30 P.M. 4th Grade Class Shopping 2:45-3:20 P.M. 2nd Grade Class Preview 3:30-5:30 P.M. Open for After School Shopping

#### Thursday, November 10th:

7:30-8:10 A.M. Open for Morning Shopping 9:15-9:45 A.M. 6th Grade Class Shopping 2:00-2:30 P.M. 3rd Grade Class Shopping 2:30-3:00 P.M. Kindergarten Class Shopping 3:00-3:30 P.M. 1st Grade Class Shopping

Friday, November 11th:

7:30-Noon Open for Shopping

# **Fine Arts Night**

Fine Arts Night will be held on Monday, November 7th at 7:00 P.M. Mark your calendars and come see the wonderful talent our Shickley students have.

There will be a K-12th grades Art Show. The One Act Team will perform "Crazy Stevens" by Michael Soetaert. The High School Band will perform a Court Show.

#### **National FFA Convention**

National FFA Convention was held October 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> in Indianapolis, Indiana, and six Shickley FFA members attended. Anthony Beavers represented the chapter in the National FFA choir, performing at sessions and award banquets. Raegan Fiala, Sam Fiegel, Nathan Nelson, Blake Schlegel, and Josh Swartzendruber attended multiple sessions, career development events, FFA expo and leadership workshops while attending convention. They had the opportunity to meet and network with FFA members from across the United States. During the trip they toured the Dallara IndyCar Factory where they learned how the cars are made and some of the science behind the engineering. Jacob Swartzendruber said, "National Convention had great speakers who motivated us to continue to be active members and it was a lot of fun."



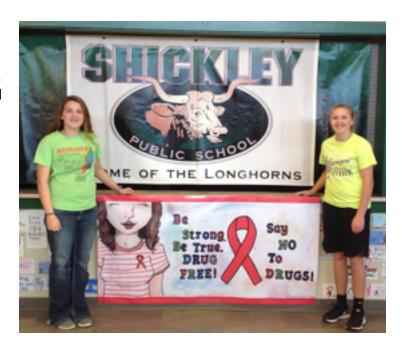
Pictured are the FFA kids at the Dallara IndyCar Factory.

#### **Red Ribbon Week Banner**

The Fillmore County Coalition recently held a contest for K-12th grade art students. The students were asked to design a banner with the theme "Red Ribbon Week" being the focus. The winners of the contest were Brooke Jorgenson and Taryn Fiala. Their winning designs were combined to make one banner to be hung at our school.

Pictured to the right are Brooke Jorgenson and Taryn Fiala with the winning banner. Brooke designed the girl on the left and Taryn designed the lettering.

Congratulations Brooke and Taryn!



### NHSPA Presents Awards & Award-Winning Ideas

The Nebraska High School Press Association's (NHSPA) fall convention was held on Monday, October 17, 2016 at the UNL Student Union, during which awards were presented for last year's publications and professionals shared award-winning ideas during various sessions for students and advisors.

Shickley's 2015-16 yearbook received a Superior rating and two Golden Kernel awards—one for indexing and one for coverage of our people. Our one full-time 2015-16 staff member was Carley Swartzendruber who played a major role in the development of the book. She took a journalism class first semester and continued second semester with the yearbook as a co-curricular activity. Additionally, last year's freshmen and sophomore classes contributed articles, captions, ad designs, and occasionally photographs. Advisors were Mrs. Jennifer Ippensen and Mrs. Becky Jorgenson.

Six members of this year's yearbook staff attended the fall convention: Brooke Jorgenson, Alyssa Nolt, Kaylee Noel, Carley Swartzendruber, Nicole Swartzendruber, and Regan Alfs (pictured outside the UNL Student Union). The keynote speaker was Erin Grace, columnist for the *Omaha World-Herald*, who discussed journalists as storytellers. Students also attended a number of breakout sessions on special topics:

- o Photographer Wyn Wiley shared techniques and ideas for capturing unique and authentic personalities.
- UNL journalism instructor Jessica Fargen Walsh shared how to craft headlines and edit copy for maximum impact.
- o *Omaha World-Herald* columnist Matthew Hansen presented his methods for brainstorming and thinking creatively about story ideas.
- o Shannon Williams of A Momentous Group exposed shortfalls and misconceptions related to yearbook creation.
- o *Omaha World-Herald* sports writer Dirk Chatelain shared insights on telling powerful sports stories that resonate far beyond the playing field.

The NHSPA feedback on last year's publication and the ideas that were presented at the convention will provide guidance as the yearbook staff works to publish the 2016-17 yearbook.

Students who attended the NHSPA Fall Convention pictured outside the UNL Student Union: Brooke Jorgenson, Alyssa Nolt, Kaylee Noel, Carley Swartzendruber, Nicole Swartzendruber, and Regan Alfs.



# **Upcoming Scholarships and Dates They Are Due:**

American Legion: Voice of Democracy Program

Deadline: November 1

Print & Graphics Scholarship Foundation

Deadline: Submitted between November 1 and March 1

American Legion: Department Oratorical Awards

Deadline: November 1

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

Deadline: November 8

Kearney Hub Scholarship

Deadline: November 15

The Hagan Scholarship

Deadline: November 15

Susan G. Komen for the Cure College Scholarship

Deadline: November 15

Wayne State College Art Scholarship Competition

Deadline: November 15

Rural Health Opportunities Program (RHOP) through Chadron State, Peru State, and Wayne State

Deadline: November 15

Kearney Health Opportunities Program (KHOP) through University of Nebraska-Kearney

Deadline: November 15

Raikes School Scholarship through UNL

Deadline: November 15

Secure Optimal Yield (SOY) Scholarship

Deadline: November 20

# **College Representatives Will Be Visiting**

November 15th - Joseph's College of Hair Design at 1:45 P.M.

November 17th - Air Force at lunch time

# Preschool Happenings by Miss Wolfe

Fall is one of my favorite seasons. I don't know about you, but I find the fall season to be absolutely breathtaking; the colors, the sunsets, the trees, and decorations just bring a smile to my face. In Fall there is so much for students to witness and learn about!

Preschool students at The Early Learning Facility have been enjoying the fall season by learning about The Life Cycle of a pumpkin and searching for signs of fall. Students have enjoyed many walks around the community searching for clues that fall is here. On these walks we have spied squirrels digging for acorns, geese flying south for the winter, pumpkins on front doorsteps, blue skies, trees changing colors, and leaves falling down.

Preschool students were also given the opportunity to go to Mrs. Schultz's beautiful garden, which in fact has pumpkins! While we were there we looked for the flowers blooming on the vines, for tiny green pumpkins and gourds, and big ripe orange pumpkins ready to be harvested. We picked a few pumpkins to take back to the classroom with us and learned some fun scientific terms. Some vocabulary words students have been exposed to are as follows: stem, vine, sprout, blossom, ribs, pulp, seed, and harvest.

With our tiny pumpkins that were graciously donated to us by the Schultz family, we were able to conduct many science experiments. We tested to see what our pumpkins would do in water, guessed how much our pumpkins weighed, found out who had the fattest pumpkin, and made pumpkin squish bags and pumpkin volcanoes.

Preschoolers have been busy scientists this past month! Feel free to ask them what they have discovered or to sing you their favorite song: "I'm a Little Pumpkin."

The preschoolers are pictured in Mrs. Schultz's yard with a lot of her pumpkins and gourds.



#### 2016 BDS JH FOOTBALL

The 2016 BDS Junior High Football season came to a close in Harvard, October 10, with a 26-0 win over the Harvard Cardinals. The final game was the most complete game played by the squad throughout the year. The team ended the season with a 3-3 record, with all three wins being shut-outs. "We, as coaches, really enjoyed working with this group of young men throughout the year. They really practiced well and didn't give up on their season after some disappointing showings on the game field. In the end it culminated in us finally playing a complete game to end the season, which hopefully gave the boys some justification for the work that they did to improve and get ready for the next level of their football careers," said Coach Schroeder. "We really had good leadership with fourteen older guys, so going into next year we will be looking for our five younger guys coming back to be ready to step up and take on a big load because there will be a lot of shoes to fill."

## 2016 Junior High Volleyball

What a wild ride we had this season. We had our ups and downs. Battling injuries and a helicopter ride to the ICU, we saw it all. We opened the season with two victories in the Lawrence-Nelson triangular against Superior 25-12, 25-17 and Sandy Creek 25-17, 25-17. In our game against Exeter-Milligan, we defeated them 25-7, 25-12. Then we turned around and defeated Hampton 25-18, 25-16. Our toughest game in our conference was against an evenly matched McCool Junction, and we beat them 25-18, 25-20. From there we played and beat the following teams: Sandy Creek 25-10, 25-15; Meridian 25-10, 25-11; Fillmore Central 25-18, 25-21; Dorchester 25-16, 25-22; Harvard 25-13, 25-16; and Giltner 25-20, 25-19. The B-Team participated in our BDS Tournament and finished 5th. The A-Team played in Sandy Creek's Quad Tournament, switching some girls to positions they weren't use to playing. We dropped our first set of the season against Hastings Saint Cecelia in the second set and beat them in three (25-15, 20-25, 15-8), which put us in the championship game against a hungry Fillmore Central where we dropped the first set to them 20-25, and won the second and third sets 25-22, 15-12 for the championship. The road to CRC was tough and the scores do not the tell the whole story. These young ladies have been forever changed. Saturday morning of the CRC championship parents had a breakfast for the team. We stepped on the court against undefeated Shelby Rising City, the returning CRC Champions from last year. We went three sets with them, losing in the end 21-25, 25-22,12-15. "It's not the will to win that matters-everyone has that. It's the will to prepare that matters." -Paul "Bear" Bryant

#### **Quarter One Honor Roll**

#### **All A Honor Roll**

Seniors: Courtney Kamler

Juniors: Carley Elznic, Megan Grote, Lexi Kadel, and Nicole Swartzendruber

Sophomores: Jackson Grote and Jadyn Kleinschmidt

Freshmen: Regan Alfs, Raegan Fiala, Kaylee Noel, Alyssa Nolt, and Justin Stengel

7th Graders: Tyler Grote, Madeline Kamler, Courtney Nolt, and Mariah Sliva

#### A Average Honor Roll

Seniors: Christian Lichti and Carley Swartzendruber

Juniors: Anthony Beavers, Karlea Reed, Kellen Reinsch, Holden Stengel, and Jacob Swartzendruber

Sophomores: Mikaela Andersen, Caleb Hendrickson, Isaac Kamler, and Josiah Kamler

Freshmen: Samuel Fiegel, Brooke Jorgenson, Zachary Mosier, Brock Swartzendruber, and Josh

Swartzenbruber

8th Graders: Mikenzy Andersen, Macy Kamler, Aaron Mick, Nolan O'Brien, Reid Richards, Blake Schlegel,

and Raleigh Shipley

7th Graders: Taryn Fiala, Landon Johnson, Elijah Noel, and Taylor Sliva

#### A & B Honor Roll

Juniors: Wyatt Deepe and Thomas Mick

8th Graders: Dalton Kleinschmidt

## Letter from Mr. Ippensen, Principal

When the Nebraska Department of Education looks at the AQuESTT tenet of Positive Partnerships, Relationships, and Student Success, they look at cold, hard numbers such as the school's attendance rate and the dropout rate. In other words, they look to see if the kids are in school and staying in school. But there is much more to developing positive partnerships, relationships, and student success.

President Theodore Roosevelt said, "No one cares how much you know, until they know how much you care." And this thought, this kernel of truth, is where positive partnerships, relationships, and student success all start. Fortunately for us, here in Shickley, we have the benefits of a tight, close-knit community supporting the school, its teachers, its efforts, and its students. In our recent surveys, over 80% of the parents and community members, and 88% of our former students indicated they have developed positive partnerships and relationships at school. When positive relationships exist, we have the ability to push harder, work harder, and accomplish more. Through these partnerships and relationships with our students, their parents, and the Shickley community members, we are able to continually work to prepare students for success.

As always, if you have any questions or comments regarding the work we are doing at Shickley Public School, if you would like to share in the process of preparing our students for success, or if you would just like a tour of all the changes that have happened here at the school, please don't hesitate to stop in and talk, or give us a call.

Derek Ippensen PK-12 Principal Shickley Public School