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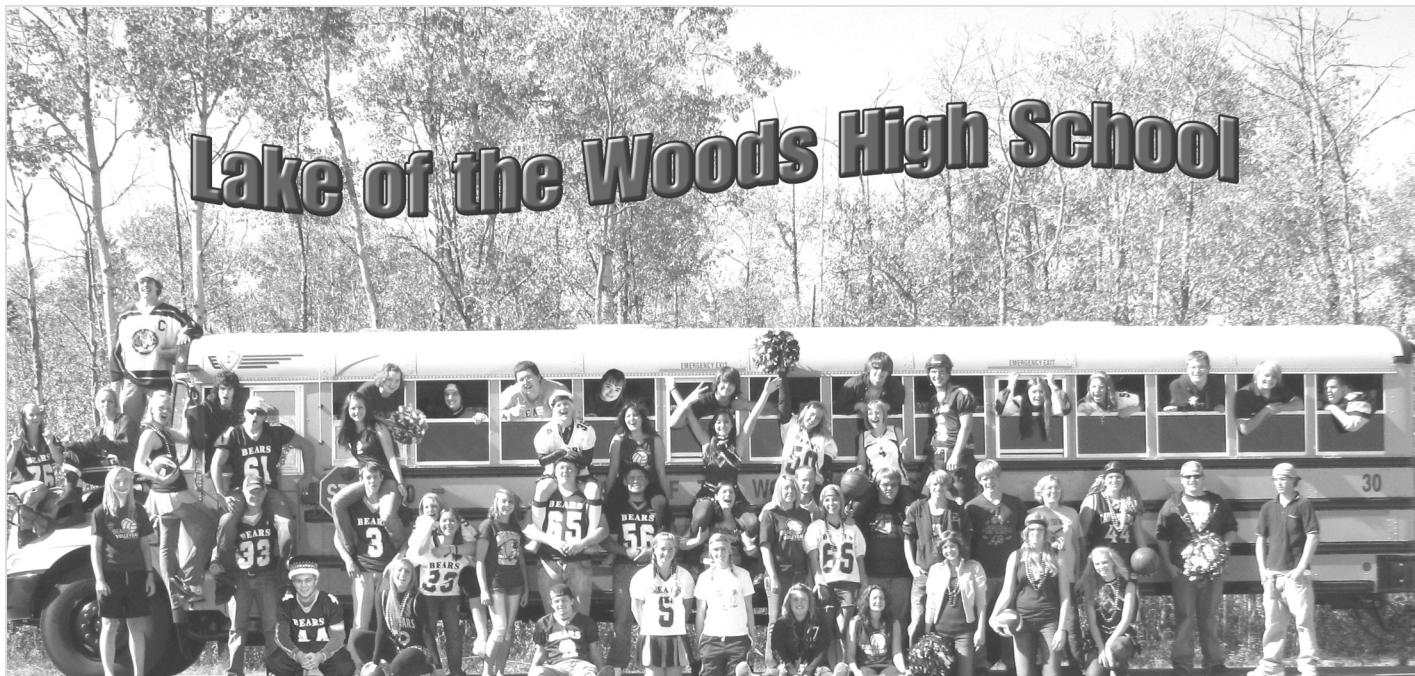
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Graduation - Sunday, May 30, 2010 @ 2:00 p.m., Lake of the Woods High School Gymnasium

Knowledge Bowl Goes to State

Submitted by Marjorie Stintzi

The Lake of the Woods Knowledge Bowl Team placed 15th out of 24 teams in the A division of the Minnesota State tournament held on April 15 & 16. This was the second year in a row the team has advanced to state competition.

The finish is still excellent for the school as 800 teams competed this year for a place at the tournament which hosted both A and AA schools, a total of 48 teams. The team worked hard this year and had a great season, consistently placing high at every meet. The elusive first place ribbon never got back to the school but the team competes against strong AA teams like Bemidji and Thief River Falls during their season. The team placed fifth at the regional meet held on March 22 in Thief River Falls, earning their spot to State by just one point.

Bryce Palm, the perennial spokesperson for the team, got involved as he loves game

shows. Jeopardy is one of his favorites. "I like trivia," Palm said. He brings to the team his strong knowledge of math, English and adds decisiveness as another attribute. Palm is a senior, a National Merit Scholar Finalist and also a member of the Cross Country team and the National Honor Society. He was named to the All Region Academic Knowledge Bowl team.

Nolan Lapos, the other senior on the team, said, "I am the buzzer." He joined the team because people told him he was smart and he thought it would be interesting. His major strength for the team is history. He is a member of the Cross Country team and the National Honor Society. Lapos was also named to the All Region Academic Knowledge Bowl team.

Zach Lockner joined the team because "Nolan and Bryce told me to do this." His strong background in geography encouraged them to peer pressure him into joining the team. Lockner won the school Geogra-

phy Bee four years in a row and went to State each time. The strengths he brings to the team are geography, history, science and environmental science. Lockner is a junior and a member of the First Robotics team, the Envirothon team and the National Honor Society.

Ryan Cooper, the other junior on the team, said he provides "comic relief" for the team. He joined when he quit hockey and was looking for something to do. His strengths on the team are literature and environmental science. Cooper was in the One Act play, and is a member of the Envirothon team and the National Honor Society.

David Stintzi is the only sophomore on the team and joined this spring at the end of the regular season. His teammates call him "the lucky one". He said Knowledge Bowl is fun. His strengths are mythology and astronomy. Stintzi was in the One Act play, and is a member of the First Robotics

team and the Envirothon team.

"All of the state team members have been involved in Knowledge Bowl since Grade 7," Coach Deb Perala said.

Other team members are Seniors John Huerd, Kye Langrehr and Amber Stavig. Juniors are Natalie Barsness, Lexi Ubel, Jason Stull and Amity Whipple. Sophomores are Cori Nesmith and Dyson Dahl.





Superintendent's Corner

It's hard to believe that the 2009-2010 school year is drawing to a close. The older I get the faster the time seems to pass. What a great year this has been for Lake of the Woods School.

Outstanding athletics, arts and academic performances by the students have been a constant source of pride for the school and community. The benevolence of others and the commitment of many have elevated the educational opportunities for our students.

The most recent meeting of the Lake of the Woods School Forest Committee revealed tremendous strides toward development of an environmental learning center on school property. The Lake of the Woods School has received approximately \$17,350 in grant dollars for restoration of wetlands, boardwalk construction, outdoor classroom construction and curriculum development. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) has awarded two grants of \$6,000 each for the wetlands restoration and boardwalk construction at the Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area (ALELA) School Forest. Lowe's has awarded Lake of the Woods School a grant of \$5,000 for the construction of the outdoor classroom through the Lowe's Tool Box for Education Grant. Additionally, Lake of the Woods County has donated equipment and personnel to clear the trails through the ALELA School Forest. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Forestry Division has developed stewardship plans for the Lake of the Woods School Forest near Pitt as well as the Lake of the Woods School Forest near Williams. The DNR Forestry Division has also assisted in the School's effort to plant trees and harvest timber. The Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has donated numerous hours assisting in the writing of grants, trail marking, soil testing, and much more. The Master Gardeners are developing plans for es-

tablishing various gardens and flower beds that can be planted by our students to further their education through the study of our flora and fauna.

A School Forest Sub-Committee of Lake of the Woods School teachers has been established for curriculum development that may be applied during student or class visits to the ALELA School Forest. This sub-committee includes Jenny Moorman, Cindy Hanson, Laura Jo Pieper and Mary Johnson. They have been meeting regularly to develop easily accessible curriculum for teachers who choose to utilize our outdoor classroom. Their dedication to the students of the Lake of the Woods School District is demonstrated by their selfless commitment of time and energy to this educational project.

The Lake of the Woods School Forest Committee members are Jenny Moorman, Science and Enrichment Program teacher, Lisa Brien, Science teacher, Katie Hasbargen, Industrial Technology teacher, Steve Levasseur, DNR Forestry Division, Wade Mapes, DNR Forestry Division, Corryn Trask, SWCD, Bruce Hasbargen, School Board, Tim Lyon, School Board, Mark Nohner, Principal, Jeff Nelson, Principal, and Reed McFarlane, Facilities and Transportation Supervisor. This group has met virtually monthly during the past two and a half years to develop a comprehensive plan for the management of our school forests and other school owned property. We extend our sincerest appreciation to the committee members for their service to the Lake of the Woods School District.

The Lake of the Woods School Website has become a very user friendly environment to seek information about our school activities and programs thanks in large part to graphic and

web designer Katie Pieper, owner of Sand Pieper Design. I hope you will take the time to review the various pages on the website. One in particular, is the superintendent's page. This page features a new podcast every week or two. This means of electronic communication continues to be a challenge for an Information Technology immigrant. Gcast's embedded podcast player widget had been in use for a year on the superintendent's page but Gcast stopped accepting new podcast uploads so the search was on for a new player. A trial of Podomatic demonstrated that the functions of the widget were incongruent with a commodious webpage. A decision was made to use PodBean.com. The embedded player updates the latest upload and only plays when the user pushes the play button on the widget.

In any case, I would like to use PodBean.com. The embedded player updates the latest upload and only plays when the user pushes the play button on the widget.

In any case, I would like to encourage you to subscribe to this podcast or visit the superintendent's page regularly to hear the latest news from Lake of the Woods School. You can set-up a Really Simple Syndication (RSS) subscription pretty much anyway you would like. Check it out and let me know what you think. The URL address is: <http://lakeofthewoodsschool.org/index.php?nav=district&page=superintendent>

The Lake of the Woods County Economic Development Committee has launched a campaign on a new website [Get Hooked For Life.com](http://gethookedforlife.com) (gethookedforlife.com). Having been involved with the initial development phase of this crusade for the past year or two, it is gratifying to see the website and FaceBook page launched. It was inspiring to witness the courage demonstrated by the Lake of the Woods County Commission when they made a financial commitment to this economic development operation. This is a community-wide endeavor that everyone needs to support with pictures,

stories, updates and promotion with your family, friends and acquaintances. Ask them to become a friend on the FaceBook page so they can share their stories about life in, on and around Lake of the Woods. We have a great way of life and we want everyone to know about it.

As another Lake of the Woods High School graduation draws near, it is appropriate to remember the precious resource the community has entrusted to our care and nurturing. I have had the privilege of knowing members of the graduating Class of 2010. I know them to be creative, growth oriented citizens of the 21st Century. Individually, they are personable and pleasant. Collectively they are a force capable of transforming lives, both ours and theirs. While these children, now young adults, ascend to a new stage in their life, we join with their parents and guardians in wishing "our kids" the very best.

We seek to increase parental involvement. Research suggests that parents lay the foundation on which a child's future is built. The parents of every child in our district are the most important partners we will ever have. Therefore, we need our parents' continued support. We simply will not be nearly as successful if we don't have parents who come to the school often and relay to their children that education is an important factor in their lives. We truly believe that parents are our greatest asset.

Education is a joint venture. We must work together to enable students in the Lake of the Woods Public School to thrive and achieve at their highest levels. I need and value your input. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions, suggestions, or concerns. I look forward to working with you.

Steve Wymore, Superintendent
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Community Education Meeting Date:
June 10, 2010 - 4:30 p.m. - ITV Room

Community Education:
Cece Charlton - Coordinator
Lisa Beckstrand - Pool Coordinator
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Envirothon Team will go State on May 17th

By Lisa Brien

Envirothon is an environmental competition where area schools compete in six events. Five of the events consist of a 20 point test on the subjects of wildlife, soils, waters, forestry, and the current event. This year's current event was ground water quality.

The sixth event is the oral presentation. Each team gives a 10 minute presentation on the current event. This year students were required to provide solutions to a

mock problem of nitrates pollution in ground water.

The year's event was held at Lake Bemidji State Park on April 21, 2010 with 14 teams from districts around north central Minnesota. Lake of the Woods School took 1st place for the second year in a row!

The top 3 teams go to the State Envirothon on May 17th in Deerwood, MN.

Go Bears!



Coach Lisa Brien, Brandon Lockner, Zach Lockner, Ryan Cooper, David Stintzi and Devlin Reasy.

Congratulations!
Students of the Month
Heather Stanton, December
Nolan Lapos, January
Ali Hasbargen, February
JonCarlo Westerlund, March

Have been chosen to be the "Student of the Month" because of their academic excellence and their participation in the extra curricular programs at Lake of the Woods School

Smoke Free Class of 2022



On March 30th several members of the "Kids Against Tobacco" team went into the kindergarten classes to discuss the importance of not smoking. Activities, questions

and answers all played a valuable part of smoke free and drug free. They tried on the lesson. "Smoke Free Class of 2022" T- shirts and smoke free pins were given to each student. All made pledges to remain

smoke out about the importance of remaining chemically and smoke free. They represent a healthy lifestyle and want to make a difference in their community.

Food Service Receives Grant Award

Lake of the Woods School Food Service has been awarded a \$24,000 grant from the National School Lunch Equipment Assistance Grant Program. Lake of the Woods District #390 was selected from a limited number of eligible school food authorities. A new dishwasher will be purchased with this grant.

Technology Grant Award

Brian Wikstrom, Wikstrom Telecom Internet, and Alan Lundeen, Plant Manager of Wikstrom Telecom Internet, presented Lake of the Woods School Superintendent Steve Wymore with a check for \$7,356. The money was a technology grant from Wikstrom Telecom Internet of Karlstad, MN.



L to R: Superintendent Steve Wymore, Alan Lundeen and Brian Wikstrom

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We're here...the ROBO BEAR TEAM is here to stay!

By Melisa Stokke

What is FRC/Robo Bears?

FRC stands for the FIRST Robotics Competitions. It challenges teams of young adults and their mentors to solve a common problem in a timeframe of six weeks. Teams build robots from the parts given to the school and enter them in competitions designed by Dean Kamen, Dr. Woodie Flowers, and a committee of engineers and other professionals.

FIRST redefines winning for students because they are rewarded for excellence in design, demonstration of team spirit, gracious professionalism and maturity, and the ability to overcome obstacles. Scoring the most points is a secondary goal. Winning means building partnerships that last.

Who are the ROBO BEARS? We are a rookie FRC team made up of thirteen students and eleven mentors. We've all worked together to build a robot.

What do you learn from this experience? You learn about pre-engineering using science, math, and technology. You also learn how to work in a team and how to be creative.

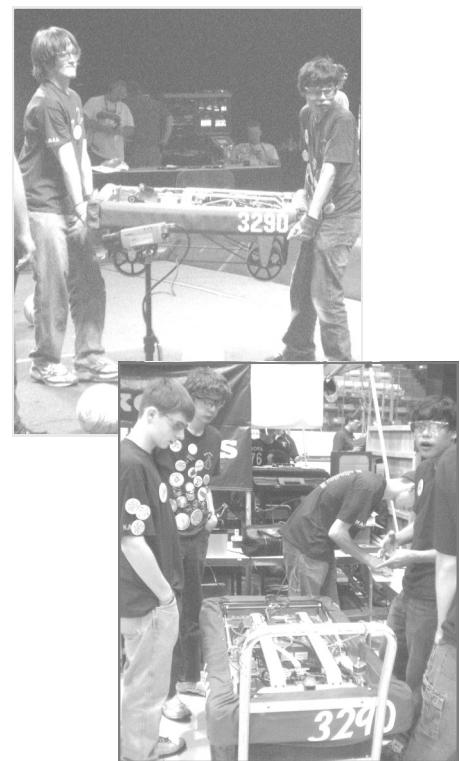
The first day of the FIRST Robotics build was on January 13, 2010. This is when we got to uncrate and inventory the parts that we could use to build our robot. This \$6000.00 kit was provided to Lake of the Woods School through a NASA grant.

We worked on the robot at our school the days when mentors were available and whenever possible. We would meet at least two days a week.

The FIRST Robotics Competition for the FIRST Minnesota North Star Regional teams is held in Minneapolis, at the Mariucci and the Williams Arenas. April 1-3 the Robo Bears team competed against sixty-three teams in the Mariucci Arena.

The ten match competitions lasted for two minutes and fifteen seconds each. The Robo Bears placed 56th out of 64 teams. Great job for a rookie team.

Why should you want to join the FIRST Robotics team? For experience in pre-engineering, science, and math. Ryan Davis and Kye Langrehr did the CAD work; Ryan said that he joined "to help with the Computer Aided Design part of it." Kelly Friemoth, the Safety Captain, Jr. in training, says that she joined, "to learn new things and it helps with scholarships." Mrs. Redeker, as one of the mentors said, "I wanted to work with the students facilitating, mentoring, and helping to build team spirit." Students also have the opportunity to practice skills in journalism, business and marketing, safety, industrial technology, electronics, and working as a team.



Seniors Fundraise, Plan Class Trip to Twin Cities

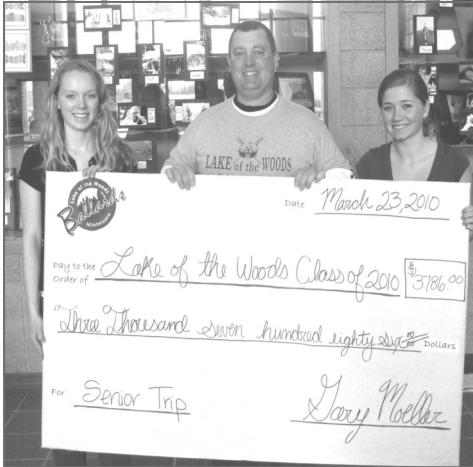
By Rebecca Ney

As May quickly approaches for the seniors, the stresses of AP tests, scholarships and graduation are already starting to build. Thankfully, this year the seniors have something fun to look forward to. Thursday May 20th, the seniors will leave for the Twin Cities to enjoy three full days of fun together for one of the last times.

Students plan on attending a Twins game at the new Target Field, spending hours in the sun at Valleyfair, and dressing up and attending *Footloose* at Chanhassen Dinner Theatre. There will also be new educational

visits as well. Mr. Krause plans on getting students up and close to the gold horses on top of the Capitol building, and the seniors will also enjoy a boat tour on the Mississippi. At the end of the day the students get to go back to the hotel and relax at the hotel's indoor water park.

Senior Jamie James says of the trip, "I'm excited to have all our class together, because it's one of the last times we may get that chance!" Senior Deanna Olson is mostly excited to try and get our advisors on all the rides at Valleyfair!

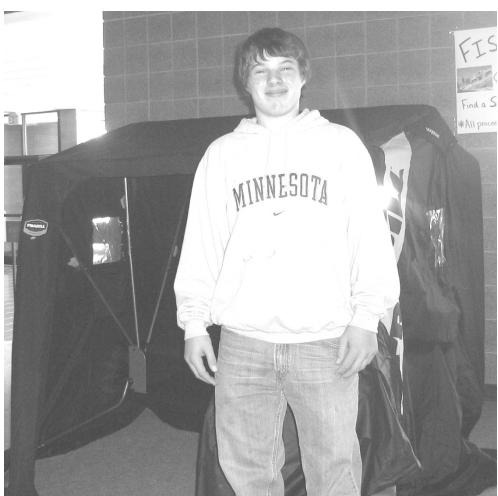


Senior Check

Gary Moeller presents a check from Ballard's Resort to the 2010 Senior Class President Rebecca Ney and Vice President Katie Laugtug. The money was earned in a unique fund-raising effort. Ballard's Resort hired the seniors to stuff and address envelopes including advertisements to people all across the country. Ballard's provided food and even took the crew fishing.

Haiti Fundraisers a Success

By Billie-Rae Henkemeyer



The Student Council worked hard to raise money for Haiti this winter coordinating the "Fish for Haiti Raffle" which raised \$1,023 and the class-donation contest which raised \$591. Both were a success; \$1,614 was collected in total. The money was recently sent to the UNICEF Children's Relief Fund for Haiti. The Student Council would like to thank Outdoors Again for graciously selling them the three-man Frabill fish house for the bargain wholesale price of \$350. Both Student Council and Brock DeBilzan, the fish house winner, appreciate this generous gesture. When asked if he had

Class of 2010 - Recipient of Region 2 Arts Grant

The Class of 2010 was the recipient of a Region 2 Arts Council Grant to help fund their trip to St. Paul in May to see a production of "Footloose" at the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre. The students are looking forward to this "exhilarating musical filled with high-energy acrobatics and electrifying music."

The Chanhassen Dinner Theatre is nationally known for their professional performances. This will be the first time that most of the 53 students will have experienced a play of this quality. As Mr. Don Krause wrote in his grant proposal, "There is simply something magical about

a well-done musical. It lures the audience into an unexplainable symbiotic connection with the performers. There is more to it than toe-tapping. There is a give and take between the two groups that uniquely includes the audience as part of the artistic experience."

This activity is funded, in part, by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund as appropriated by the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.

The seniors secured the rest of the money for their trip through a variety of fund-raising efforts.

Order your Elementary Yearbook now--books should be in before school ends this year. Make payment to the Lake of the Woods School with the notation for Elementary Yearbook--Child's name and teacher. Each book is \$12.95. If you have missed any issues for the past 10 years of the Elementary Bear Cub Books--call Cynthia Hanson at 218-634-2510 x 1704.

Open Enrollment

For more information contact:

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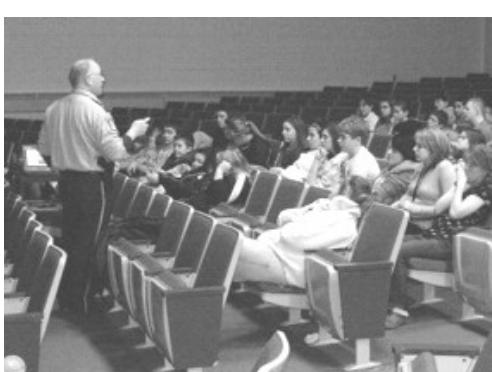
O'Connell Selected for People to People Program



Amber O'Connell, a freshman at Lake of the Woods School, has been accepted into the People to People student Ambassador Program, an educational travel program founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. O'Connell will explore Europe for 19 days in summer 2010 as a member of the Northern Minnesota delegation. By participating in the England, Italy and France itinerary, O'Connell can earn academic credit while getting to know the people, culture and history of the places visited. She will take part in a variety of activities such as rappelling down a castle wall in Assisi, Italy, meeting with a priest or monk in Italy, honor the war's heroes at the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial and walk the beaches, and stay with a welcoming host family in France's second largest city. She will attend several orientation meetings with program leaders and fellow delegates to learn about the destination and travel for over 50 years.

Amber is the daughter of Nyla and Dan O'Connell from Williams. Amber is an active participant in basketball, softball, One Act play, Relay for Life, and Bethany Church. She volunteers for community activities during Back Home Days, Potato Day or when ever asked to help. In the past she has been a Girl Scout and 4-H member. Several fundraisers will be held to help with the cost of this experience. Eric Buegler and his a cappella group gave a concert on April 17, 2010 with proceeds going to Amber's travel expenses.

Sheriff Dallas Block Presents to L/W Students



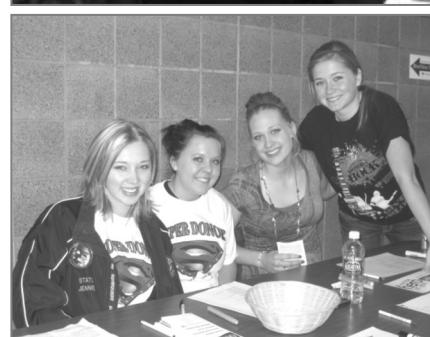
The technology available to youth today is a wonderful tool, but also comes with a great deal of responsibility. This would generally summarize a presentation given by Sheriff Dallas Block to Lake of the Woods School students on March 30 in the auditorium. Sheriff Block covered a variety of topics in two separate presentations; one geared for junior high students and another for the high school. Students received information on safe use of numerous technologies including cell phones, mobile cameras, and the internet, especially social networking sites such as FaceBook. Stressing the importance of thinking before texting or conversing on the internet was a major theme shared with students. Once information is in cyberspace, the creator of the information loses control of how, and with whom, that information will be shared. Lake of the Woods School wishes to thank Sheriff Block for an enlightening presentation.

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Coach Erickson Presented Butch Nash Award



Billie Rae, Jennie B, Ali H, and Becca working at the 2010 blood drive.

Longtime Bear assistant football coach Roger Erickson was recently awarded the Butch Nash Award by the Minnesota State Football Coaches Association. The award was presented at the Hall of Fame Banquet held at the Doubletree Inn in Minneapolis. Coach Erickson has served as assistant football coach for the past 22 years, the last several of which he has been the offensive coordinator. Only eight assistant coaches are eligible to receive this award in a given year, and all recipients must be "front liners" - recipients of praise/criticism approaching the level of the head coach. During Coach Erickson's tenure, four of the teams which he has coached have advanced to the State Tournament.



As Mrs. Pieper's 6th grade students learned about various simple machines, they grouped together to build examples demonstrating levers, pulleys, gears, wheel and axel, and screws.



Taylor Solo, Sara Stanton, and Daniel Edwards try on equipment used by soldiers in Vietnam, Iraq, and WWII, respectively. Mike Bellos and Sgt. Zach Lee from the National Guard's Education Liaison Program presented an overview of World War II for the students in Mr. Krause's American History II class.

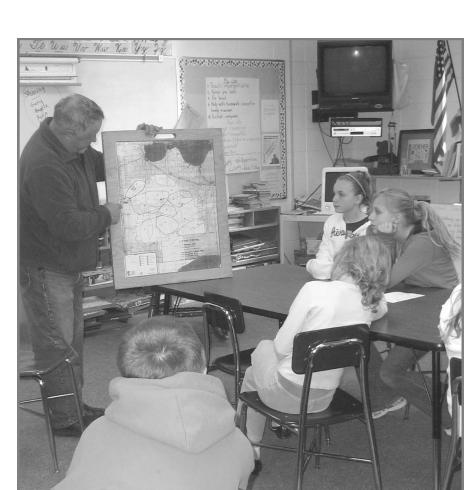
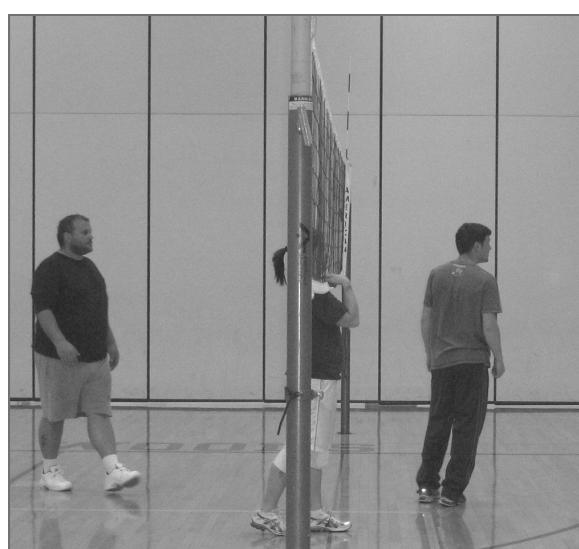


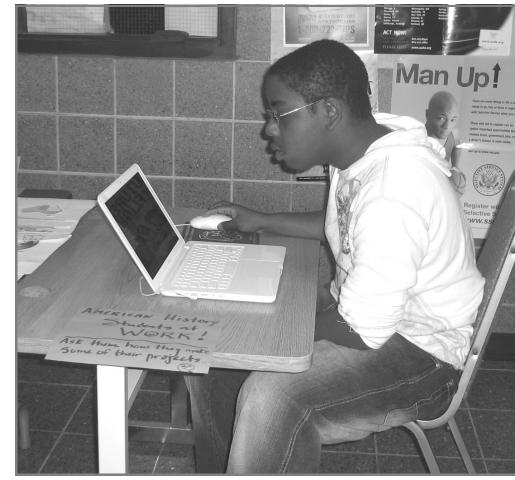
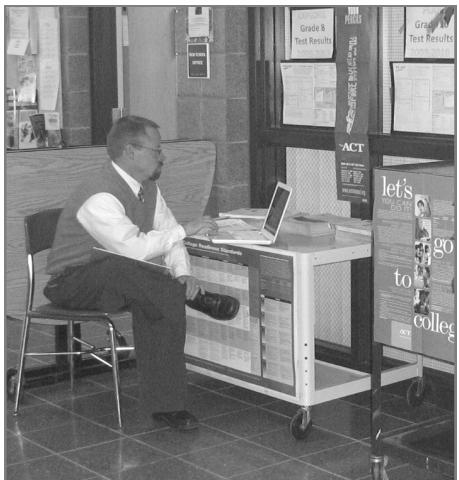
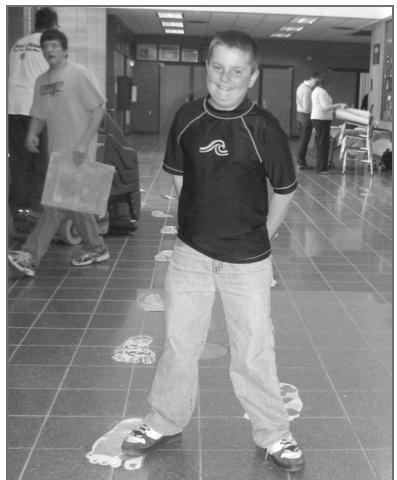
Pictured are Jake Pelach, GiGi Marvin, and Joncarlo Westerlund. GiGi Marvin recently visited Lake of the Woods School and met with both the high school and elementary students. GiGi is a member of the US Olympic Women's Hockey Team that took silver in the 2010 Olympics. She talked about her experiences at the Olympics. GiGi is the daughter of Connie Marvin, who is the French teacher at L/W School.

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Reading Across America



Dr. Seuss' birthday was celebrated in style in the Elementary School during "Read Across America" week in March. Kindergarten classes made Green Eggs and Ham and had pajama day. The bulk of the celebrating was held in the Media Center.

Head Start students had their first visit ever to the Media Center and enjoyed a story read by Librarian Kelli Pelland. Members of the Baudette community and the school also volunteered to read to classes. School Nurse Lisa Beil, Baudette Mayor Rick Rone, High School Senior Jackie Williams, School Volunteer Marjorie Stintzi, One Act Play Director Joyce Washburn, Policeman/Fireman Bob Mollberg and School Head Cook Brenda Wahl, read books to the elementary classes. Media Center Teacher Assistants Laura Charlton, Haley Ney, and Andrew Carlson (pictured at left) helped Librarian Kelli Pelland with a creative writing story contest for the Grade 6 students. They worked on seven different stories. The top storywriters won Tootsie Pops.

Elementary students are now busy participating in the Spring Reading contest. Students who read for the most hours win prizes or Scholastic Book Fair gift certificates.

Sixth Grade Math Masters Attend Regional Competition

By Jenny Moorman, Enrichment Program Coordinator



The 2010 Sixth Grade Math Masters Team: Front row: Shalese Snowdon, Lanie Krause, Jaiden Dahl. Back row: Jacob Stephani, Jonah Schmisek, Dylan Lowes and Coach Moorman.

Sixth graders Lanie Krause, Jaiden Dahl, Jonah Schmisek, Jacob Stephani, Shalese Snowdon, and Dylan Lowes participated in the regional Math Masters of Minnesota Challenge at the Evangelical Free Church in Bemidji on Friday, March 12th. As their coach, I was delighted when Lanie Krause received a purple ribbon for her outstanding performance in the number facts drill. *Congratulations, to Lanie and the team!*

Math Masters of Minnesota began as a fifth grade math competition program in 1989 with teams from 44 schools taking part. In 1995, the competition was expanded to include sixth graders and this year there are approximately 4,000 fifth and sixth graders competing.

L/W Band Receives a Superior at Contest

By Katie Laugtug

On Friday, March 5th the L/W School put on a spectacular band concert with songs performed by the fifth grade, sixth grade, junior high, and senior high band. It was well attended and greatly enjoyed by the public.

One of the highlights of the concert was a song played by the junior high band, the Mission Impossible theme song. It was a difficult piece, but the band definitely pulled it off, playing it very well.

Previous to the concert, the senior high band had large group contest the same week, where they performed two songs: "Cajun Folk song" and "Spirit of the Falcon". The band impressed the judges and was given a superior rating, which is the highest rating a group can achieve.

Senior John Huerd commented, "This is definitely one of the best years of band I think we've had. The superior definitely proves that!"

New Baby? New to the Area?

It is important for our future planning to have all children in our census files. Census numbers help determine the amount of levy funding that our Early Childhood Program receives from the State of Minnesota. When you are listed on our census, you will receive updates from our Early Childhood program and pre-screening information for kindergarten.

"Jump Rope For Heart"

The 2010 Jump Rope for Heart was another successful event at L/W Elementary School. The Kindergarten through Grade 6 students raised nearly \$3000 for the American Heart Association. These funds will go towards research and education for heart disease and stroke. The school will receive a \$100 gift certificate for sports equipment that will benefit all the students. This year's Heart Hero is Kindergarten student Nicholas Solar. He raised over \$300 all by himself! Way to go, Nicholas!!



Real-Life Experiences

By Laura Jo Pieper

Each year the Northern Light invites our students to be part of the publication, *The Northern Light Jr.* The sixth graders are given the opportunity to design and create ads for local businesses. Through this experience, they have the chance to practice many important skills.

We start by discussing the intent of most ads. We talk about ads we've seen. Next we look through newspapers and magazines to find various advertisements. From there we discuss the layouts that appeal to us and slogans that catch our eye. Each student then selects one or two businesses from the 40-50 that have purchased an ad for the *Northern Light Jr.* We generate a list of basic questions that the students need answered in order to design a successful ad. In some cases, this may simply include what service or product the business offers, hours of operation, or specials they are currently running. The students are then required to contact their place of business to gather the necessary information. For most students, this phone call is the first "business" call they've ever made. They are nervous. We discuss phone etiquette, and then they practice with partners exactly what they plan on saying. Some

students model their phone conversation and let us critique them. This way we learn from one another. Students then make their phone calls from school. They learn the frustration of being put on hold and of being passed onto a different person and having to repeat their introduction. They also learn the importance of speaking clearly and listening carefully.

After gathering their information, they design a sample layout for their ad. Some find it difficult to fit everything into the 4-inch square that the ad allows. Upon completion, we share our ads with each other and again allow for constructive feedback. At the end of this project, the students reflect on which part they felt most comfortable doing. Some prefer the gathering of information, others found their artistic talent being put to use, and some liked designing the ad. The students are often surprised to learn that the different pieces of advertisement are actual jobs in the real world.

Thank you to the *Northern Light* for giving our students this opportunity for real life experiences. Thank you also to the businesses for their patience as we gathered information.

Lost & Found Items

There are numerous lost and found items that have been turned into the offices. Items are located on tables in front of the elementary and high school offices. **Any items not claimed by the end of the year will be donated.**

Godfather's PIZZA \$1.00 off any large specialty pizza
Offer expires 8/30/10
Baudette location only

Inside Howards on Hwy. 11
218 - 634 - 3317

Northern Sports & Machine

- ATV & Snowmobile
- Golf Cart Sales & Service
- Full Service Machine Shop
- Sled Bed Trailers

Randy Orton, Dealer

651 County Road 1 SW * Baudette, MN 56623
Phone 218.634.1089 * Fax 218.634.2707
3/4 Miles South of Baudette Motel



To view your student's meal account balance, visit www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org

Early Childhood Family Education

Early Childhood Family Education

Lake of the Woods School

2010-2011 Schedule

Coordinator/Instructor: Theresa Brown

Paraprofessional: Muriel Crandall

218-634-2510 ex. 1564

tbrown@blw.k12.mn.us

School Readiness I

This class will be held each Tuesday of the month. For the first half of the school year (until February), there will be a morning and an afternoon session available. The morning session will be offered from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and the afternoon session will be offered from 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Transportation will be available one way via the school bus (to school for morning session and home in the afternoon session). In February, the two sessions will combine (as long as there are fewer than 20 children combined/schedule will not change if over 20 children combined) to make one session from 8:00 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. Transportation will then be available both to and from school via the school bus. The class is for children turning age four by September 1st of 2011. The class focuses on socialization, problem solving, sharing, turn taking, and various school readiness skills. There is tuition of \$300.00 for the school year (half due in September and half due in February).



School Readiness II

This class will be held each Monday and Wednesday of the month. There will be a morning and an afternoon session available. The morning session will be offered from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and the afternoon session will be offered from 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Transportation will be available one way via the school bus (to school for morning session and home in the afternoon session). The class is for children turning age five by September 1st of 2011. The class focuses on socialization, problem solving, sharing, turn taking, and various school readiness skills. Conferences will be held throughout the school year to discuss the progress made by the children. There is tuition of \$600.00 for the school year (half due in September and half due in February).

Family Education and Recreation/Event Nights

Classes and events will be held every first and third Tuesday of the month from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The classes and events are for age birth to 5 years old and their parents/family members. Every 1st Tuesday of the month will be a family event night (gym night, swim night, circus, Zoomobile, etc.) A schedule of events will be made available at the beginning of the school year. Every third Tuesday of the month will be parent education classes. Centers will be set up around the room according to a given theme. There will be story time, guest speakers, parent pullout sessions, as well as free exploration. There is currently no fee for these classes/events.

Parent and Infant/Toddler Class: "Play with Me"

This class will be held every second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Parents are required to attend with their child/children. The class is for children ages' birth to 3 years old. Snacks will be provided. There will be guest speakers from the community as well as opportunities to discuss issues of concern. There is currently no fee for this class.



Please send registration form to:

P.O. Box 310, Baudette, MN 56623

Attn: Theresa Brown/ECFE

*Please include a copy of your child's updated immunization records

ECFE REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Child's name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State, Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Child Birth Date: _____
Classes registering for _____

What is Head Start?

Head Start is a Federal & State funded comprehensive child and family development program designed to meet the needs of lower income children ages 3-5 and their families. Head Start is a free program that serves children of all ability levels, including children with disabilities and enhances children's cognitive, physical, social and emotional development. It assists parents in meeting their goals and

supports parents in being their child's best and most important teacher and caregiver. Contact Pam Horntvedt or Nicole Gates at 218.634.9963 or the Head Start Office at 800.568.5319 or www.nwcaa.org for more information.

Head Start is currently taking applications for the 2010-2011 school year.

What is Early Head Start?

Pregnancy through age three is an amazing and important time of brain development and healthy growth for your child. Early Head Start provides services to eligible parents expecting a child and to families with infants & toddlers. EHS assists families in providing the best possible start for children. The program provides services that encourage children's cognitive, physical, social, emotion, and

brain development including children with disabilities. It assists parents in meeting their goals and supports parents in being their child's first and most important teacher and caregiver. Contact Deb Sindelir at 218.634-2097 or the Early Head Start Office at 800.568.5319.

Early Head Start is currently taking applications for the 2010-2011 school year.

Community Education/Pool Classes/Activities

Community Ed Class Registration

Registration forms for Community Ed spring/summer classes/activities will go out to all elementary students at Lake of the Woods School and registration forms may also be picked up in the Elementary, High School, Pool and Community Education offices. A registration form is also included in this paper. **Class registration is required.** Many classes have a minimum number of people needed to offer the class, and if enough people have not registered **one week prior** to a class, the class will be cancelled. Also, check out our website for a schedule of our community education classes. **All checks are to be made payable to Lake of the Woods School (American Funds).**

Adult Basic Education

GED - Preparation for the high school equivalency diploma. Set of 5 tests; math, reading, writing, social studies, and science.

Basic Skills Enhancement - For learners who need to brush up on basic skills such as math, reading, writing, spelling, or basic computer literacy.

ESL - English as a Second Language is for learners whose native language is not English.

Citizenship Education - Instruction for the INS U.S. Citizenship exam including preparation of the N-400 form.

Instructor: Rose Anderson @ 634-1563

Must be 16 years old or older and not enrolled in secon-

dary school.

Facility Use, Policies, and Procedures

The Community Education Department coordinates use of all school facilities and equipment beyond the regular school day. School functions take priority. School activities may be scheduled subsequent to approval and the affected party will be notified if that situation occurs. The use of facilities is governed by policies and regulations approved by the Board of Education. **No activities will be scheduled on legal and/or school holidays.** For more information contact the Community Education Office.

To view the District Calendar, visit www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org

Community Education/Pool Classes/Activities

Red Cross Baby Sitting Class

This class will promote safe, sensitive care for children and help to develop skills for providing care, entertaining children and handling emergencies. Class participants who have attended all classes will receive a babysitting certificate. The class is for ages 5th grade and older. There must be a minimum of 10 paid and registered students or the class will be cancelled.

Date: TO BE ANNOUNCED

Time: 3:00-5:30 p.m.

Location: High School Life Skills room

Instructor: Erin Heinen

Class Cost: \$5.00 payable to Lake of the Woods School

Material Cost: \$25.00 payable to Erin Heinen

Firearm Safety

The course consists of classroom and field experience in the safe handling of firearms and hunter responsibility. The field experience allows students to learn and demonstrate commonly accepted principles of safety in hunting and the handling of firearms. The course will include live fire on a rifle range.

Ages: 11 years or older

Dates: May 17, 18, 20, & 21

Time: 3:05-5:30 p.m.

Location: ITV Room

Instructor: Jeff Birchem

Field test: May 22, 2010

Cost: \$15.00

T-Ball

Practice for T-Ball will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 p.m. The season will run approximately from June 10 - July 8, 2010. Players will learn the fundamentals of throwing, hitting and base running. Children - 4 years to just completing 1st Grade.

Cost: \$15.00/resident; \$20.00/non-resident

Farm Ball

Players will work on the basic fundamentals of throwing, hitting, fielding and base running. For players just completing 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade.

Practices for Farm Ball will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The season will run approximately from June 10 - July 8, 2010

Cost: \$15.00/resident; \$20.00 non-resident

Baseball

Players will work on the basic fundamentals of throwing, hitting, pitching, fielding, base running and be exposed to basic baseball strategy. For students just completing 5th and 6th grade.

Practices for baseball will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The season will run approximately from June 10 - July 8, 2019 Cost: \$25.00/resident; \$30.00/non-resident

10U Fast-Pitch Softball

Players will learn the fundamentals of fast-pitch softball. This is a traveling team. Call Dave Buegler for more information at 634-2818 or 634-9477.

Cost: \$35.00/resident; \$40.00/non-resident

12U, 14U & 18U Fast-Pitch Softball These are traveling teams. Registration forms can be picked up in the Com-

munity Education Office. For more information please call Dave Buegler at 634-2818 or 634-9477.

Cost: \$60.00/resident; \$65.00/non-resident

Pitch, Hit & Run, May 22, 2010

Registration forms will be sent home with all students ages 7 to 14. Contact Brian Novak at 634-2735 ext. 1423 for more information.

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Lake of the Woods School Track

“Kick It” Soccer Camp

This is a great camp for the soccer enthusiast who is looking forward to improving their skills, working hard and having fun. It is the perfect camp to improve in all areas of the game and will be beneficial for beginners as well as advanced players. Wear shorts and a tee-shirt. Bring a sweatshirt or long sleeve shirt and a water bottle. Need to wear tennis shoes or soccer cleats if you have them. Football/baseball/softball cleats are not allowed. The camp is run by Amy Piersak. She played for the University of Wisconsin River Falls. Starter every college game and played nearly every minute of her college career. She is also a former high school All-State player, played in the Senior Classic, 2 time All-Conference, 4 year Varsity letter winner at Mounds View High School. She has helped her high school coach run camps for 9 years and she has run her own camps for 4 years. She has also been a trainer for Eagan, Prior Lake and Bloomington Club/In-house teams. She also helps run try-outs for various club and high school teams. This spring she is also an assistant coach at New Richmond High School in Wisconsin.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS

Dates:

**Time: 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. – for ages 5-8 year olds
10:30 a.m.-12 noon – for ages 9-13 year olds**

Tuition Fee: \$35.00/resident; \$40.00/non-resident

Location: Football Practice Field

Basketball Camp

Campers will develop all of their basketball skills – shooting, dribbling, rebounding and defense. Over the course of the camp, your self confidence will grow along with your skills and overall appreciation of the game. The camp is run by Amy Piersak. She played high school basketball at Mounds View High School and has co-run a camp in the Twin Cities area for the past 5 years. She has also worked at that same camp for 10 years. She is an education major (teacher) and has a lot of coaching experience with soccer and basketball. She also had been a basketball referee for 9 years.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY,

Dates:

**Time: 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. – for ages 5-8 year old
10:30 a.m.-12 noon – for ages 9-13 year old**

Tuition Fee: \$35.00/resident; \$40.00/non-resident

Location: Multi-purpose gym

Summer Band

The Lake of the Woods Band Department will offer summer lessons and kick-start the community band for its second year. Band lessons consist of five 30-minute lessons. The lesson cost is \$45, plus cost of lesson book or solo.

Lessons available to all band students and incoming fifth

graders that want to join band. Contact Liz Tange for scheduling at 634-2735 ext. 1140.

Community Band

Community band is open to all adults and band students! Rehearsals will take place in the school band room. This year's goal is to perform 2-4 concerts prior to the final performance, during the 4th of July parade! Anyone interested can sign up with community ed., or contact Liz Tange. Rehearsals will begin either end of May or early June, and will run approx. two hours. **No cost for involvement in the community band.**

More information will be available in May. Send questions to Liz at school ext. 1140.

Adult Weight Room Membership

The usage fee for the Lake of the Woods School weight room is \$30.00/month, resident; \$40.00/month, non-resident; \$20.00/month college student (with college ID); \$10.00/month Senior Citizen and a \$5.00 fee for FOB (keyless entry). Members must be 18 years old and not in high school. All fees are non-refundable. Before access to the weight room is given out, the participant is required to sign "A Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnification for Use of the Lake of the Woods School District's Weight Room" and pay the required fees. **The weight room is closed on holidays and from 7:30 a.m.-3:10 p.m. during the school year.** Hours during the school year are: Monday, Wednesday & Friday-5:00 a.m.-7:30 a.m. and 3:10 p.m.-9:00 p.m.; Tuesday & Thursday-7:00 a.m.-7:30 a.m. and 3:10 p.m.-9:00 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday-1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. For information on how to join the Lake of the Woods School weight room, call 634-2735 ext. 1504.

Tae Kwon Do

Learn stretching techniques, exercise and self-defense along with the art of Tae Kwon Do. You may start at any time and the first two times are free.

Dates: Tuesdays, & Thursdays (No classes in July/August)

Time: 6:30-8:00 pm

Location: Multi-purpose Gym

Fee:\$30.00/month/resident; \$35/month/non-resident;

Family rate: \$55.00/month/resident, \$60.00/month/non-resident, maximum of 4 family members. Each additional family member is \$10.00.

Instructor: Dave Kempenich - 2nd Degree Black Belt

TKD for Kids

Learn basics of Tae Kwon Do in this introductory course developed specifically for young people. Parents are welcome to participate along with their children. This class will help children to develop better balance, concentration and self-control. Ages 3-9 welcome!

Date: Third Saturday every month (No classes in July/August)

Time: 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Location: Multi-purpose gym

Fee: \$5.00/resident child/per class; \$10.00/non-resident child/per class

Instructor: David Kempenich 2nd Degree Black Belt - 12 years teaching experience in this self-defense art form.

For Community Ed activities, visit www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org

Community Education/Pool Classes/Activities

American Red Cross Swimming Lessons 2010

Session 1

June 14th-25th

9:00-9:30-Preschool level 1 & 2
9:00-9:30-Level 1
9:00-9:30-Level 2
9:00-9:45-Level 3

Session 1B

June 28th-July 2nd

10:00-12:00
Levels 1 & 2
Levels 3 & 4
Levels 5 & 6
9:00-10:00 a.m. will be
available for private lessons
please contact the pool office
for more information.

Session 2

July 12th-23rd

8:30-9:00-Preschool level 1 & 2
8:30-9:00-Level 1
9:00-9:30-Level 2
9:00-9:45-Level 3
9:30-10:30 Level 4
10:00-11:00 Level 5
10:30-11:30 Level 6
11:00-11:30-Level 2
11:30 -12:00-Level 61
10:30-11:00-Preschool Level 1 & 2
11:00-11:45-Level 3

Session 3

August 2nd-13th

9:00-9:30-Level 1
9:00-9:30-Level 2
9:00-9:45 Level 3
9:30-10:00-Preschool Level 1 & 2

9:30-10:30-Level 4

9:45-10:45--Level 5

10:00-10:30-Level 2

10:30-11:00-Level 1

10:30-11:15-Level 3

10:45-11:45-Level 6

11:15-11:45 Preschool Level 1 & 2

Evening Classes

5:00-5:30- Parent/Tot
5:30-6:00 -Preschool Level 1 & 2
6:00-6:30-Level 1
6:30-7:00-Level 2

M/W/F July 12-23
M/W/F July 12-30
M/W/F July 12-30
M/W/F July 12-30

Parent/Tot

6 months to 3 years
The purpose of this class is
for parents and children to
become comfortable in the
water. Each child must be
accompanied by an adult
in the water.

Costs

Resident/Non-Resident
Parent/Tot-\$20.00/\$22.50
Preschool Level 1 & 2-\$25.00/\$27.50
Level 1-\$25.00/\$27.50
Level 2-\$25.00/\$27.50
Level 3-\$30.00/\$32.50
Level 4-\$35.00/\$37.50
Level 5-\$35.00/\$37.50
Level 6-\$35.00/\$37.50

Due to recent changes
Preschool Level 1 & 2 will
replace our previously
offered Guppies Class
REQUIRED



Requirements

Please use the registration form and
return it to the L/W pool.
Only those registered and paid are
guaranteed a spot in a full class. Be
sure to register in advance or call the
pool office (634-2735) ext 1101 before
coming to class—lessons may be full,
cancelled or rearranged depending on
the number of swimmers.

Pre-registration and Pre-payment is REQUIRED

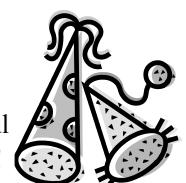
For information about exercise classes, swimming lessons, (private & group), open swim/adult swim times call Lisa at Pool Office - 218-634-2735 ext. 1101 or email lbeckstrand@blw.k12.mn.us

Summer 2010 Pool Schedule - Starts Monday, June 7, 2010

Schedule subject to change.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5-8 a.m. Adult Swim		5-8 a.m. Adult Swim		5-8 a.m. Adult Swim		
3:30--8:30 Open Swim				3:30-8:00 p.m. Open Swim	1-4 p.m. Open Swim	1-4 p.m. Open Swim

Birthday Parties at the Pool



The pool is a wonderful place to hold birthday parties! Parties can be held during open swim hours and the observation area overlooking the pool is a great place to have games and lunch as part of your celebration. If you have any questions or would like to book the pool and observation area for your next party, call the pool office at 634-2735 ext 1101.

Summer Youth Program

The Summer Youth Program is gearing up for its 7th summer of fun activities for kids of all ages. The Summer Youth Program will begin the week of June 13 and will end the last week of July. The program will meet on Tuesdays at the Williams City Park and on Thursdays in Baudette at Timber Mill Park. The program runs from 2:00 - 4:00 in both communities. There is no charge for this program, thanks to the support of donations from the community. Children birth - 6 must be accompanied by an adult. Children 7 and older can be dropped off and picked up. All those who participate must be registered. For more information, please contact Cece Charlton, program coordinator, at 634.2510 ext. 1504



Lake of the Woods Community Education

P.O. Box 310

Baudette, MN 56623

634-2735 ext. 1504

Name (adult): _____

Name (student): _____ Class/Activity _____ Fee \$ _____

Age: ____ Grade: ____ Teacher: _____ T-Shirt Size: (If applicable): _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ (Parent/Guardian must sign if under 18)

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (Day) _____ Phone (Eve) _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

I certify that myself/dependent is adequately covered by insurance. _____ Signature _____

I certify that we do not have insurance, but will assume all legal responsibility for accidents or injuries arising therefrom. _____ Signature _____

For the pool schedule, visit www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org

Outdoor Classroom to be built at the Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area School Forest

The Lake of the Woods School Forest Committee was recently notified that they have received a Lowe's Lumber Company **Toolbox for Education** grant. The grant is designed to assist in building an outdoor classroom at the new Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area School Forest. The outdoor classroom will be built onsite on the 120-acre parcel, which was awarded School Forest status last year. The new School Forest acreage is just west of the school building.

The Lowe's **Toolbox for Education** grant enables qualifying districts to provide outdoor, hands-on environmental education to students in grades K-12. Offering environmental education in outdoor classrooms has proven to enhance core curriculum in all subjects. The funding will be used to build a platform with benches and a large table area for the teacher to use as a lectern.

Our Lake of the Woods School Forest Committee includes two school board members, the Superintendent of Schools, the Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, staff from the Lake of the Woods Soil and Water Conservation District, DNR per-

sonnel, science teachers, both the elementary and high school principals and the Lake of the Woods School Forest Coordinator. The Lake of the Woods School Forest Committee meets on a monthly basis and has set goals and objectives to develop the Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area as an onsite outdoor classroom. The classroom will provide students and staff with a safe, user-friendly area to host lessons outdoors.

Several Lake of the Woods School teachers are also working with the School Forest Coordinator as a sub-committee to assist in developing an age appropriate environmental education curriculum for all students at the school. This curriculum, along with the Outdoor Classroom and a series of interpretive nature trails, will round out the school's commitment to offering quality environmental education to all students.

The Lake of the Woods School, Independent District 390, is located in Baudette, MN, on the Canadian border. The Lowe's Home Center, in Hibbing, MN, will assist to help coordinate the Outdoor Classroom Project.



Teachers from the Lake of the Woods School have worked with local organizations to secure funding for their Outdoor Classroom. Pictured are the Environmental Education Curriculum Team, L to R: Cynthia Hanson, Mary Johnson, Lisa Brien, Laura Jo Pieper, Jenny Moorman and Corrynn Trask from the Lake of the Woods Soil and Water Conservation District, who is a member of the School Forest Committee.

Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area School Forest

"In the end, we will conserve only what we love, we will love only what we understand, and we will understand only what we are taught."

This quote from a Senegalese conservationist describes almost perfectly the mission statement for the Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area. This outdoor learning site, also known as ALELA, is currently being developed on school forest land adjacent to the Lake of the Woods K-12 School. ALELA will provide a unique opportunity to get students and staff out of their classrooms and into a hands-on natural learning setting.

The School Forest Committee, a committee of school staff and board members and local natural resources staff from the DNR and the Soil and Water Conservation District, has been the main driving force behind the efforts to develop the outdoor classroom.

A team of teachers from the school is also working to develop curriculum packets which can be used to teach hands-on lessons in this outdoor classroom. As the excitement has built, other partners have also signed on to offer their help and support for

the project.

Upcoming improvements include a wetland restoration and construction of a boardwalk to help access the site. Two grants have been received from the US Fish and Wildlife Service to pay for these projects. A grant was also received from Lowe's Building Center to purchase materials for an outdoor classroom at the trailhead. And, as conditions allow, a prescribed burn will be conducted on the southern portion of the site to help rejuvenate the brushland area and provide a diverse array of habitat.

Interpretive signs and the development of learning stations are just some of the projects to come as ALELA continues to evolve. The biggest payoff will be providing an accessible open space where students of all ages can build an appreciation for the natural environment around them.

If you would like to learn more about the Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area, you can contact the School Forest Coordinator, Jenny Moorman at (218) 634-2510 ext 1728

Scholarship updates from Dollars for Scholars

Submitted by Tanya Hasbargen

Congratulations to the graduating Class of 2010! The Lake of the Woods Chapter of Dollars for Scholars looks forward to awarding many scholarships at graduation on Sunday, May 30, 2010. For those who receive a scholarship, funds are available to students once they have completed their first grading period of post-secondary schooling (trimester or semester). Simply stop in to see Ramona Zimney at Wells Fargo Bank with your transcript (reflecting the completed grading period and enrolled list of classes for the next semester/trimester).

For students who are already off to post-secondary schools (colleges, univer-

sities, technical schools, etc.), and will be in their 2nd year or so...stop by Border State Bank, RiverWood Bank, or Wells Fargo Bank to pick up a post-freshman/continuing education scholarship application. Applications will be available June 1, 2010 and must be postmarked by July 15, 2010. Students are eligible to receive up to two post-freshman scholarships during their academic career, so be sure to take advantage of it!

If you have any questions about Dollars for Scholars, please contact Chapter President Tanya Hasbargen at 634-3350.

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STUDENTS ENJOYED ANTARCTICA RESIDENCY SESSIONS FROM THE MINNESOTA SCIENCE MUSEUM

By Jenny Moorman, Enrichment Program Coordinator



This year, all students from first through sixth grade were treated to an outstanding residency program about Antarctica from the Minnesota Science Museum. Every year, these wonderful programs are provided for our students thanks to a donation from **Barbara Bergeron** in memory of her husband **Burton Bergeron**. This annual gift has offered our students internships,

residencies, workshops and assemblies from the quality staff at the Minnesota Science Museum. Mrs. Bergeron is a retired teacher from Lake of the Woods School and we thank her so much for her donations and continued support of our Enrichment Program.

The two programs we selected for this year's residency were **Antarctic Animals** and **Glaciers & Ice Cores**. The week

before our residency program, Dr. Sue Olin prepared the Young Scientist's Club members with a slide show of her experiences working in Antarctica. Dr. Olin was stationed at the American base called McMurdo. The McMurdo base is built on land beside the coast of continental Antarctica and is at the edge of McMurdo Sound.

McMurdo base shares Ross Island with the New Zealand Scott base and Mount Erebus, a 12,448ft. active volcano. Nearby the research facility, the scientists can view Adelie penguins and colonies of skua. The Young Scientists were able to ask questions about how you can apply to work at McMurdo Base and what to expect if hired.

The residency programs provided further, more in-depth explorations of Antarctica, with the workshops **Antarctic Animals** and **Glaciers & Ice Cores**. Here is a sampling of their day with the scientists from the museum:

Antarctic Animals

Students in first through third grade were fascinated with the unusual animals living on the land and in the oceans around Antarctica. Each class became acquainted with over 15 different animals as they compared and contrasted picture sets of ani-

imals. Then, the students developed ways to categorize the animals as they examined the animals' physical features, environmental needs, and food sources.

They also investigated ways the animals adapted to living on the highest, driest, windiest and coldest continent in the world. Finally, they discovered how these animals depend upon each other by designing food webs for their sets of animals and by seeing the effect of each web on the rest of the animals when certain species are removed.

Glaciers & Ice Cores

The fourth through sixth grade students used "Glacial Goo" to observe how a glacier forms, how it moves and how it changes over time. Then, they sped up time using a landform model to see how a glacier travels across the landscape. A PowerPoint presentation helped students see how scientists collect information from ice cores taken from glaciers in Antarctica and other locations. The students used models of yearly snowfall layers in ice cores to see how scientists are able to determine weather conditions in the past.

Camp Boost

By Jennifer Nordlof

Camp Boost is an after school time program developed by Healthy Lifestyle Choices. The program gives children the opportunity to play, socialize, be active, and engage in enrichment activities while learning and practicing vital health skills. The afterschool program was led by Jennifer Nordlof every Thursday for a total of five weeks. The lessons focused on topics of nutrition and fitness. The four nutrition lessons covered were food groups, eating a variety of foods, servings from the food groups, and eating a balance of various foods. The four fitness lessons focused on physical activity, daily exercise, balance of moderate/vigorous exercise, and stretching/

yoga. Family newsletters were sent home with the children with information and useful tips so parents can help their child succeed in staying healthy. This pilot program was created to raise awareness of the growing health problem of obesity in our children and adolescents.



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Community Education's Holiday Craft & Vendor Extravaganza
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November 20, 2010

Physical Education Classes Go Ice Skating & Bowling

By Curt Storbeck

In January the Lake of the Woods 7th, 8th, and 9th grade physical education classes had the opportunity to go ice skating and bowling as part of the lifetime activities unit. The students learned how to skate and bowl, but more importantly they learned to do activities which they can keep fit with for the rest of their lives. Here at Lake of the Woods School we are gearing our Physical Education & Health classes to learn about fitness for life and to keep active throughout our lives in order to avoid obesity and the other diseases that can come with a sedentary lifestyle and poor nutritional habits. The Physical Education and Health departments are working on grants to acquire equipment, like cross-

country skis and GPS units (for orienteering & geo-caching), to expand our curriculum to include more lifetime fitness activities that would be fun and yet accomplish fitness goals and improve our intellectual capabilities.

The Physical Education department would like to thank the ownership of the Splitz Bowling Center for donating their time and use of their facility to hold our classes. We would also like to thank the Baudette Arena for the use of their facility as well. Without the generosity of these businesses, we could not do these activities.



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From the School Nurse

To parents of the 2010-2011 kindergarten & 7th grade classes



According to the Minnesota Department of Health, for the 2010-2011 school year, parents of children entering kindergarten and the parents of children entering 7th grade need to:

- show proof their child has either received two chickenpox (varicella) shots or has had the disease, OR
- show proof of a medical exemption signed by the child's health-care provider, OR
- file a notarized waiver with their school if they are conscientiously opposed to the chickenpox vaccine.

Minnesota's School Immunization Law requires students starting Kindergarten to have documentation of five doses of DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis), four IPV (Inactivated Polio), two MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella), the Hepatitis B series (HBV), and either two varicella immunizations or a history of having had the chicken pox disease.

If your child has had chickenpox, please let me know as soon as possible. If I am not notified before September 1, 2010, a doctor will need to complete a form, verifying that your child indeed has had chickenpox.

If you do not want your child to receive these immunizations for medical reasons or because of your conscientiously held belief, you must sign a notarized exemption form and return it to the school office by September 1, 2010.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the school, Monday through Friday, between 9:30 am—1:00 pm, at 634-2056, ext. 1522, or at LakeWood Nursing Service, 634-1795.

Farm to School

By Patti Davidson

A few employees from Lake of the Woods School have an innovative plan to provide healthy foods for the students. They will make use of an otherwise idle greenhouse to shelter a container garden. Brenda Wahl, Curt Storbeck, MJ Hanson, and Cece Charlton have put their heads together and plans are developing. This garden will house such plants as tomatoes, green and red peppers, cucumbers, broccoli, leaf lettuce and several other healthy foods. The produce from these plants should be ready for use in school meals by fall. This project is sponsored by the Statewide Health Improvement Program, a grant awarded to LakeWood Nursing Service.



Cece Charlton, Curt Storbeck, Brenda Wahl, Lisa Beil, Patti Davidson, Hope Milbrath and Michelle Brown pictured in front of the Lake of the Woods School Greenhouse receiving the SHIP Grant check for the Farm to School project.

Grand Theater

Fundraising Auction

Saturday, June 19th

L.O.W. County Fairgrounds

10:00 am

DONATE TO THE THEATER AUCTION

Donate your household items to the Baudette Community Foundation for the Fundraising Auction. Some items you may



want to consider include furniture, large and small appliances, dishes, lawn and garden equipment, tools, electronics, household goods, sporting goods, and other typical auction items. No clothing. All items should be in good repair & good working order. Gift certificates for goods and services will also be accepted.

Donations are tax-deductible.

Receipts are available upon request.

Items can be dropped off at the 4-H Building:

Friday, June 18th between 12:00 noon - 7:00 pm

Saturday, June 19th between 8:00 am - 10:00 am

If you have questions about the auction, or would like help transporting your donation(s), please contact Larry or SharRay Feickert at 634-2401, Bill Mouw at 634-2815, Tom Mio at 634-3034, or LakeWood Health Center at 634-2120.

Proceeds from this Fundraising Auction will directly support the Grand Theater in Baudette

Lake of the Woods School has three Automatic External Defibrillators (AED). The three AED's are located in the cafeteria/commons area, by the multi-purpose gym/pool area and in the east hall of the elementary/high school area.

For school announcements, visit www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org

Spend Some Quality Time with a Little One and Take Them Fishing!

“Take a Kid Fishing” - June 23, 2010



to shore by 4:00 p.m. to enjoy a delicious cookout for everyone, including family members. This is a great time to hear all the wonderful fish stories. Each child has the chance to win some wonderful door prizes, which include: fishing rods, life jackets, tackle boxes, coolers, and other neat fishing gear.

Applications are available online at www.lowtakeakidfishing.com and at Lake of the Woods School. Be sure to get your applications in to Lisa Beckstrand at Lake

of the Woods School by the end of May! We have openings available to the first 120 registrants. We are happy to continue this fine tradition here on Lake of the Woods.



The 2010 Lake of the Woods “Take a Kid Fishing” event will take place on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at Sportsman’s Lodge on beautiful Lake of the Woods! This will be our 13th year in hosting the event. We hope to entertain 120 kids between 9-14 years of age. This program has been designed to teach kids the joy of fishing – a lifelong activity! The day begins with all participants meeting out at Sportsman’s Lodge at 10:00 a.m. and meeting up with their guides for the day. Each young fisherman or fisherwoman will receive a bag of goodies, which includes pop, snack and a variety of prizes. All boats will return

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MinnAqua Summer Program!

MinnAqua is sponsoring a three-day, three-city, program entitled “A River Runs Through It.” This program will start at Thief River Falls on Tuesday, August 3rd, 2010 and move to Roseau on Wednesday, August 4th, 2010 and end in Baudette on Thursday, August 5th, 2010.

This is an opportunity for your son or daughter to have a fun day at the park, learn about nature, and go fishing! The goal of this program is to get kids, ages 6-13, excited about aquatic environments by giving them a “hands-on” experience. Trained volunteers and staff will be teaching the group about fishing, fish management, aquatic habitats, aquatic insects, wildlife, and safety.

This program provides opportunities to go fishing, practice casting, and do other outdoor activities. Therefore, it is important that everyone come dressed for the weather, including a hat and sunscreen. MinnAqua will provide any other needed equipment or materials including fishing rods and tackle.

Please fill out the participant release form available at your local community education office to grant permission to participate in one of the three programs. Return the signed form to your local community education office or the Baudette area DNR fisheries office. The community education offices involved include the Lake of the Woods Community Education Office (located at Lake of the Woods School), Warroad Community Education Office (located at Warroad School), Roseau Community Education Office (located at Roseau Community School), and the Thief

River Falls Community Education Office (located at Thief River Falls schools District Office). Pre-registration is strongly encouraged but will be available on-site.

If you or your child has any special needs (medical, etc.) that we should be aware of, we would appreciate a call or a note prior to the program.

We look forward to a fun time. Parents or volunteers are also welcome. If you have any questions please contact the DNR Fisheries Office in Baudette at (218) 634-2522 or your local community education office, or visit the Baudette area fisheries website for up-to-date information.

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Student Art Tour

By Qi Zhu, exchange student from China

Fifty tired, but dedicated students boarded a charter bus at 4:15 A.M.

on Wednesday, December 2, headed for Minneapolis. The art and French students and four teachers were on their way to visit the Louvre Exhibition at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. This was a first ever art tour with exhibits from the famous Louvre Museum in Paris, France.

Mrs. Marvin and Mrs. Carlson, the French and art teachers at Lake of the Woods, arranged the trip for the students. The exhibition delivered as promised: "Superb art objects from France's great museum. Drawing from each collection area, this fascinating exhibition explores why some artworks are considered masterpieces, while others are runners-up. Feast your eyes and get art smart by looking at side-by-side comparisons of objects spanning 4,000 years. A once-in-a-lifetime event!"

Students saw a variety of masterpieces such as "The Card-Sharp with Ace of Diamonds," "Christ Carrying the Cross," "Child with a Top," and so on. In addition to the masterpieces in the Louvre exhibition, the museum collection also included African and Native American art, ancient art, decorative

arts, paintings, photography & new media, prints and drawings, and contemporary art.

The students' adventure continued from the museum to the Mall of America where they tasted French foods before heading back to Lake of the Woods.

Zach Lockner said, "Some of the art exhibits were really interesting. I like the giant lion sculpture and the various culture exhibits in the MIA." Jason Stull also commented that the bus trip was really fun, "The best part was when we went to the Mall of America and just got to wander around." Some students rarely get to Minneapolis, others may not get to experience this kind of cultural activity, and so educational adventures such as these are appreciated by teachers and students alike. This one was no exception.

More Differences than the Chocolate...

By Eduardo Thome



Melissa Gutekunst, our foreign exchange student from Germany, who has been here since the beginning of the year, has a lot to tell about the differences between the USA and her home.

When she was questioned about the differences between Germany and the USA, she said the school was the biggest difference. At her school classes started at 7:40 a.m. and finished at 12:50 p.m. and twice a week she had classes in the afternoon. To get to school, Melissa rode her bike every day. Also at her school, the students didn't go to the teachers' classrooms. The teacher came to your classroom, so her sophomore class was divided and had assigned classrooms.

Melissa also mentions the difference between German and American chocolate! Apparently, there is no comparison.

When she was not at school back home,

she used to go swimming every day for two hours, and go out for swimming competitions. For fun, she would go out with her friends and play with her brother and sister. Here in the USA after school she sits on the couch in front of the TV and does her homework.

Melissa has visited many countries, but thinks Italy's beaches, warm weather, and food are very appealing. One thing she liked about being in the USA was going to the Mall of America and Nickelodeon Universe. She also looks forward to going to South Dakota in April.

When she came to the USA, Melissa left at home her mother, Sabine, her dad, Horst, a sister, Annika and a brother Felix.

Melissa says she likes America, especially the people and she will find it hard to leave and go back home. Melissa is also taking Yearbook Journalism, so will be able to take home a yearbook to remember all the friends she has made this year, and she will be able to show her German friends and family a book that she helped to make.

Qi Zhu Enjoys Freedoms at LHS

By Holland Johnson



Qi Zhu is one of two Chinese exchange students at LHS this year. If you meet her, you'll find her a cheery, enthusiastic young lady. In China, Qi was an only child and her father was a Cosco section manager while her mother is retired.

She loved to go shopping with her friends and sing some karaoke or KTV in China. Qi enjoys shopping here in America because she loves the different types of styles.

Some types of classes she took in China were English (Chinese), Math, Chemistry, PE, Computer class, and some art classes.

There are many differences between LHS and Qi's old school. They do not have lockers there, and instead of students switching classrooms, the teachers switch classrooms, 10 minute breaks are offered in between

classes, and they wear uniforms every day. Each day the whole school, even the teachers, must do exercises, like gymnastics. Along with gymnastics, Qi also had to run, play basketball, swim, and play volleyball. Qi says that nothing is similar between China and America. But one really huge difference is the food and dishes.

The most difficult thing about living in America is the English language; she feels she speaks very poor English. Qi likes Lake of the Woods School because, "we are free!" We are able to wear what we want and you're able to explain to teachers why you have missing assignments. So far her favorite teacher is Mrs. Carlson because she talks to her the most. She also enjoys taking pictures for the Yearbook Journalism class.

Qi plans to attend a famous college after high school but she has lots of dreams about what she wants to do. She misses her friends, family, food, and doesn't like how expensive America is. She is looking forward to making millions of friends this year!

Eduardo Insider: Life in Brazil

By Robert Fish



South American foreign exchange student Eduardo Thome has a lot to say on what life was like in Brazil. For entertainment in Brazil, he wanted to go snowboarding here, but when he would do it, he found out there are no mountains his most things plans were lost. Things he has done here

people around here do-like hang out with friends, watch TV, and play video games. One interesting thing to do in South America is go to Argentina and go snowboarding in the mountains. "I also used to play center for my soccer team," said Eduardo.

Eduardo has one sibling, a sister named Elisa. His dad is an electrical engineer and his mom is a college economics teacher. Eduardo wants to go to college for civil engineering after high school.

He had two language classes in Brazil, English and Spanish, but he first learned English when he was twelve. He said he wanted to go snowboarding here, but when he would do it, he found out there are no mountains his most things plans were lost. Things he has done here

include pretending to go ice fishing and living in the snow. I asked him if he liked the snow and he said he was used to it from Argentina.

He had many of the same classes in South America as he does here, but his old school offered many more language classes. He said that the weather in South America is a lot different from northern Minnesota. Brazil is much hotter than here, but he said he really wanted to go ice fishing. His favorite part of the year so far was being homecoming prince. Eduardo is enjoying this year at a different school and so far is enjoying Yearbook Journalism class.

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Meet Ryo

By Holland Johnson

Ryo "Yo" Sasaki is our only foreign exchange student from Japan. If you meet him you will find him to be very intelligent and friendly.

He told me he knows many languages but he only speaks Japanese, English, and Korean. Back home in Japan, Ryo has one younger brother, Shigeru, and one younger sister, Nao. His father is a water system engineer and his mother is a housekeeper. In Japan, Ryo and his friends would watch cartoons, play video games, and go to friends houses for fun. The big difference he notices with television in America is there are longer commercials. In America, Ryo's favorite television show is CSI: Las Vegas. In Japan, he really enjoys watching bowling and playing it.

At his old school, he took some similar classes to what we offer here. For example: Math, English, World History, and Chemistry. Ryo said the one thing besides

family he misses is eating sushi. Comparing Japan to America, he felt nothing was the same. While here in America, Ryo discovered he really enjoys American food. His favorite teacher at Lake of the Woods is Mr. Krause for his American History class.

Ryo has visited Korea and while here in America he plans to visit Washington State. He is looking forward to meeting new people and experiencing new things here in America.



"Book-in-a-Bag"

By Marilyn Mai



The 7th grade students presented their second "Book-in-a-Bag" data file. There were many very interesting stories that were covered. The creativity of the 7th grade is awe-inspiring. After the presentations, I find I would like to read the books, some of them for the second and third time.

Students displaying their work in class: Monte Gubbels, Dominic Krause, Kendall Erickson, Sara Achen, Cole Easthouse, Aimee Borg and Katie Spina.



PLAN Test

Each year Lake of the Woods School administers the PLAN test to the sophomore class to aid students in making class choices and prepare for post secondary education or the workforce. The **PLAN** program helps 10th graders build a solid foundation for future academic and career success and is a strong predictor on how students will do on the ACT test. The ACT test is one of the tools used by college admissions officers in determining if a student is ready for the academic rigor expected by a particular college.

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June 5 marks eighth consecutive year for Willie Walleye 5K

The Lake of the Woods Triple A Booster Club and Brockie's Jewellers, Fort Frances, invite you to take part in the annual Willie Walleye 5K Run/Walk to be held Saturday, June 5, at 9 a.m. Race headquarters is the ambulance garage behind The Ranch House restaurant, and the race will start and finish on 1st Street. This event will kick off Baudette's 19th Annual Willie Walleye Day celebration.

Plaques will be awarded to the overall male and female winners, and medals will be given to the top three finishers in several age groups, male and female. All participants will receive a T-shirt and goodie bag. Refreshments and door prizes will also be provided.

The entry fee is \$20 and early registration is recommended. Registrations received after June 2, including race day registrations, will cost \$25. The entry fee includes a Willie Walleye Day button that automatically enters participants in a cash drawing, sponsored by the L/W Women of Today. Forms are available at Lake of the Woods High School, Rainy River High School, Rainy River Recreation Centre, The Baudette-L/W Area Chamber of Commerce, and Brockie's Jewellers in Fort Frances. Additional forms or more information can be requested from race director Sariina Kalli at 218-783-3006.

Proceeds from this 5K event go to the Lake of the Woods-Rainy River-Atikokan Cross Country program and the L/W Women of Today.

2010 Choir Contest Results

Superior Ratings:

Harvey Lein & AJ Washburn - duet
Billie-Rae Henkemeyer & Devlin Reasy - duet
Katie Laugtug & Billie-Rae Henkemeyer - duet
Senior Girls: Deanna Olson, Kyra Hanson, Billie-Rae Henkemeyer, Lindsay Payne, Katie Laugtug, Kelsey Rioux, Becca Ney, & Jackie Williams
Quartet: Billie-Rae Henkemeyer, Deanna Olson, Katie Laugtug & Devlin Reasy
Quartet: Devlin Reasy, Katie Laugtug, Harvey Lein & AJ Washburn

Excellent Ratings:

Ninth grade girls: Kelsey Jonassen, Tori Sindelir, Ally Beil, Amber O'Connell, Kerista Johnson & Emily Ney
Tenth grade girls: Cori Nesmith, Qi Zhu, Melisa Stokke, Sara Larson & Rhea Dawson
Duet: Lindsay Payne & Kelsey Rioux

Harvey Lein and AJ Washburn also received the outstanding ensemble for their site. There are only 4 of these given out among 80+ ensembles!

2010 Band Contest Results

Excellent Ratings:

Percussion Ensemble:
"Latin Rondeau", Jamie James, Nolan Lapos, Bryce Palm, Jomari Arda, Max Kasberger, Harvey Lein, Emily Ney & Nick Fish
Bass Quartet:
"Havah Nagilah", Beth Crompton, Lexi Ubel, Alicia Beckel & Chris LaValla
French Horn Duet:
"Andante", Katie Pepera & Alicia Beckel
Trumpet:
"Viennese Sonatina No. 1", Morgan Davis & Sadie Wilemon

Superior Ratings:

Low Brass Quartet:
"Three Madrigals, mvt. II, April is in My Mistress' Face", John Huerd, Nolan Lapos, Shae Pepera & Doug Potts
Alto Saxophone Duet:
"Gavotte", Cori Nesmith & Sara Stanton
Flute Duet:
"La toupee", Chelsea Anderson & Katie Freeman



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Government Classes attend City Council Meeting



The Baudette City Council held their April meeting in a different venue than most other months of the year. They met at the Lake of the Woods School to allow

the students in Mr. Don Krause's government classes an opportunity to witness local government in action. Mayor Rick Rone answered questions from the students before the meeting. As the official gathering progressed, Mr. Rone and the City Council members explained their actions and gave the students a chance to learn about their decision-making process. The Lake of the Woods County Commissioners also meet at the school during the year to assist the students' government experience. These are valuable lessons for the future decision-makers of our community.

Artist-in-Residence Teaches Mosaics



Lake of the Woods School has an artist-in-residence for two weeks. Mosaic artist Marsha Wolff is teaching mosaics to all the art students at the school thanks partly to a grant by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. Art teacher Deb Carlson applied for the grant to "expose students to fresh ideas and new artists." The school gets to keep all the mosaic tools and by the end of the two week session with Wolff, 125 students will be trained in the art of mosaics, Carlson added.

Students said they are having fun learning mosaics with Wolff. She started learning mosaics herself in school 40 years ago. Her first project was made with Noxzema jars, beer bottles and pop bottles in a Grecian Design. Before she retired as a high school English teacher in Nevis, she helped students do mosaics for all the walls in the school.

Now a full-time artist, Wolff takes com-

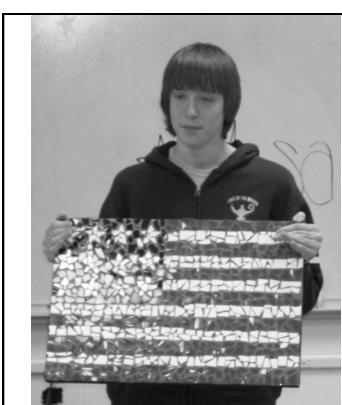
missions and has done installations all over the US. Her mosaic work is featured in floors, walls and mirrors to name a few.

This is her first time as an artist-in-residence in a school. She usually gives lessons at her studio, Wolff Works, in Nevis. She said she loves being at the school and added she is also having fun sharing her talent with the students.

The students' work was displayed to the public at an open house on Friday, April 30, 2010.

This activity is funded, in part, by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund as appropriated by the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.

Any questions, contact Deb Carlson at Lake of the Woods School, 634-2510



Prairie Fire Children's Theatre performance of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"

July 23 & 24, 2010

Join the cast of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs!" Registration opens 7:30 a.m., Monday morning, July 19, 2010, at Lake of the Woods School. Auditions begin at 8:00 a.m. and rehearsals will take place Monday morning after auditions, as well as Tuesday through Thursday mornings and Friday afternoon. Performances will be Friday, July 23, 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 24, 2:00 p.m.

The performances of "Snow White and

the Seven Dwarfs" are the culmination of a week-long residency by Prairie Fire Theater, sponsored by Pequana Playhouse.

There is no charge for registration, and ticket prices are \$5.00 with a \$20.00 family maximum.

This activity is made possible in part by a grant from the Region 2 Arts Council through funding from the Minnesota Stage Legislature.

Please contact Elissa Breuer for questions at 634-1350.

Mosaic Unveiling

The art students at L/W School had an "Unveiling" of the mosaics that were created during a 2 week artist in residence program. The public "Unveiling" was held from 3:15 p.m. on Friday, April 30 in the ITV room.



Dates to Remember

- May 8 Sixth Grade Rummage Sale
- May 11 Band Concert
- May 11 Park & Legacy DNR Mtg.
- May 15 Prom
- May 15 Williams Garden Club Plant Sale
- May 16 Academic Awards Night & NHS Induction
- May 17 Baudette Hockey Skills Camp
- May 22 ECFE Rummage Sale
- May 23 Baccalaureate
- May 24 School Board Meeting
- May 30 Graduation
- May 31 Memorial Day
- June 1 Kindergarten Open House
- June 4 Last Day of School
Noon Dismissal
- June 5 Baudette Willie Walleye Day
- June 5 Baudette Willie Walleye 5K
- June 10 Birchdale Pioneer Days
- June 19 Wildflower Route
- June 23 Take A Kid Fishing
- June 28 School Board Meeting
- July 4 Old Fashioned 4th, Baudette
- July 4 Roosevelt Flea Market
- July 5 L/W Hockey School, Baudette
- July 9 William's Back Home Days
- July 10 "Got Shoes" 5K Run, William's Back Home Days
- July 15 Dollars for Scholars Post Freshman Scholarship Apps. Due
- July 19-24 Prairie Fire Children's Theater "Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs"
- July 26 School Board Meeting
- July 31 Crazy Daze, Baudette
- Aug. 4 MinnAqua, Roseau
- Aug. 5 MinnAqua, Baudette
- Aug. 7 L/W Relay for Life
- Aug. 26 L/W County Fair
- Aug. 31 Roosevelt Steam & Gas Show
- Sept. 24 Oktoberfest, Baudette
- Oct. 9 William's Potato Day
- Nov. 20 L/W School Holiday Craft & Vendor Extravaganza
- Nov. 20 VFW Craft Fair
- Nov. 26 Frost Fest, Baudette

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The Williams School

By Marlys Hirst



New Consolidated School
Williams, Minn.

The first official school building at Williams was built in 1909. This came about with the organization of a school board. Prior to that time several school sessions had been held, first in a private home and then in a former bunkhouse. The first school building still sits on its original site and, after its school function ended, it was used as the Congregational Church.

With a growing community, it wasn't long before a bigger and more modern school building was deemed necessary and, in 1915, construction began on a large wood frame building. At a cost of \$15,000, the new six-room Williams School was completed in January of 1916. The school opened with an enrollment of eighty-six students. One of those students, Mabel

McCourt, recalled her first day in the new school. She wrote:

In the fall of 1916, we started school as usual in the little old school. One morning our teacher told us to pack up our stuff and we would walk to the new school. She escorted us there but as she was not qualified to teach in a consolidated school we did not see her again. A new teacher met us at the door... The room we went to was for the first three grades. It had windows all along the outside wall and I had never seen so many windows in my life. They were so large they almost reached the ceiling and there was even glass in the door. There were new desks and lovely hardwood floors...

We didn't see a stove or a water pail, but we soon found out that the building was heated by steam thru those odd looking things that were called radiators... There was a drinking fountain out in the hall but the washrooms were not yet ready for use. Plumbers were busy installing the toilets so outhouses had to do for a while.... There were also electric lights which were something new to most of us. Would wonders never cease?

We were taught the basics, reading, writing, spelling, grammar, history and geography. There was no sports program but a few years later we had domestic sci-

ence (home economics) and shop classes... The auditorium was built later and with

these new facilities a hot lunch program and band and basketball were made possible."

The building was eventually sold.

The first session at this new school opened in the fall of 1917 with an enrollment of 86. Carroll S. Faunce was the first superintendent, and his staff included: Miss Anna Lemack, George Morlander, Kathrine Marven (Mrs. J. M. Mason), Cora Trudeau and Lewella Penrod, Miss Webber and Charles Dyer was the janitor.

The graduating class of 1917 had four graduates: Maude Beebe, Marie Siggrud, Mae Charlton and Hazel Kelly.

Additions were made to the school building as enrollment increased. In 1938 a gymnasium and two classrooms comprised the first addition. In 1944 the school district purchased the Gracetown schoolhouse and moved it to Williams, attaching it to the east side of the school where it served

as the industrial arts department. In 1948 the elementary building was added.

Enrollment reached its peak in the 1950s, and 1955 saw the largest graduating class of 33 pupils. Enrollment began to decline, and in 1966 only 17 students were graduated. School was held in Williams for all twelve grades until consolidation began with Baudette in 1969. The last senior class to be graduated from Williams High School was the class of 1973.

Kindergarten through sixth grades were held in Williams until 1979. In 1980, 81 kindergarten through third grades were all that remained in Williams, and in the fall of 1981 the Williams School was closed by the district and the new name of Lake of the Woods School was chosen to represent both school districts.

The building was sold to the Village of Williams and housed the community center, the library, a Christian school and several private businesses.



"Got Shoes" 5K Fun Run/Walk - Williams-Back Home Days, July 10, 2010

Two local sisters will be taking an incredible journey to help end breast cancer forever. Chrissy Draper and Cyndi Heibel will be walking sixty miles in three days for the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure™ in the Twin Cities.

In addition to walking the sixty miles they have each committed to raising \$2,300. The money raised will be used for breast cancer research and community-based breast health and education programs.

As part of their fundraising efforts for the 3-Day, Chrissy and Cyndi have organized the **Got Shoes? Back Home Days 5K Fun Run/Walk** in their hometown of Williams.

Although this event is not sponsored by

or affiliated with the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure™ we encourage everyone to bring or wear your "pink" to the event. All net proceeds will be donated to Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure™.

Information and registration forms are on: www.northlandrunner.com click on races and then select July 10th.

Registration and packet pick up begins at 9:00 a.m. at the Williams City Park on July 10th. The 5K entry fee is \$20.00 (\$25.00 after June 25th).

If you "Got Shoes" grab them, lace them up and join us "Back Home" for the Fun Run/Walk! For all you spectators let's line the streets of Williams and support the runners and walkers!

Williams Back Home Days July 10, 2010 Schedule of Events

July 9 - 1950, 1955, 1960 Class Reunions, Williams Arena

July 10 - 9:00 a.m. "Got Shoes" 5K Run/Walk Registration and packet pickup

July 10 - 10:00 a.m. "Got Shoes" 5K Run/Walk

July 10 - 2:00 p.m. Kid's Races at Williams City Park

July 10 - 4:30 p.m. Community Barbeque at Williams City Park

The Lake of the Woods School Alumni Foundation meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at The Smiling Moon.

Alumni of all area schools, current students and staff and community members are invited to attend.

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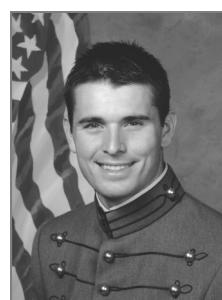
Triple A Booster Club meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the L/W School Commons at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For a link to the Alumni Foundation website, visit

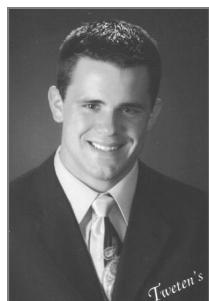
Military Salute - to all alumni actively serving...



Sergeant Jordan Block
Graduate 2004
Stationed: Fort Bragg, NC



Cadet Jay Clark
Graduate 2006
US Army West Point
West Point, NY



Cadet John Clark
Graduate 2007
US Army West Point
West Point, NY



Sergeant Jennifer Dalton
Graduate 2000
Stationed: Barksdale AFB
Shreveport, LA



Jacob Edwards
Graduate 2006
Stationed: California



Private E-1 Seth Faye
Graduate 2009
Iraq January 2010



Specialist Brandon Foldoe
Graduate 2006
Stationed: Bemidji, MN
Deploying 2010



Nicholas Gustafson
2009 Graduate



Specialist, Alpha2/136 CAB Kyle Huerd
Graduate 2006
Stationed: Duluth, MN
Deploying 2010



US Navy Electronics Tech
Nuclear Power Corey
James
Graduate 2009
Naval Station Norfolk, VA



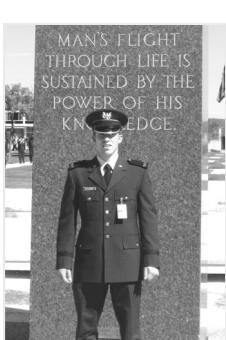
Sergeant First Class E7 Dennis
Kramer
Graduate 2000
Afghanistan January 2010



PFC, 3rd Platoon Brandon
Knutson
Graduate 2008
Bemidji, MN



Private Meghan Linder
Graduate 2009
Camp Pendleton, CA



Cadet Brett Nylander
Graduate 2004
US Air Force Academy
Colorado Springs, CO



2nd Lieutenant Brent Olson
2004 Graduate
Stationed: Hanscom AFB, MA



Captain Corey Rudd
2002 Graduate
Stationed: Kandahar,
Afghanistan

Brandon Synder
U.S. Navy
2009 Graduate
Stationed in Italy



Airman Theodore Schoper
Graduate 2009
Stationed: Sheppard AFB, TX

If you know of any Lake of the School graduates that are currently serving in our armed forces, please contact Bertel Anundson at 218.634.1377 or email him at banundson@blw.k12.mn.us