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Highmore-Harrold School District 34-2 Local High School Members Represent School at District FCCLA Meeting

Contributed by Alana Kroeplin

30 members of the Highmore FCCLA Chapter traveled to Huron, South Dakota to participate in the District VII Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America Meeting on Wednesday, January 14, 2015. They met with approximately 180 other students from 7 neighboring chapters to take part in various activities sponsored by this student-run organization. Adviser Mrs. Alana Kroeplin is very proud of all members attending and competing at the meeting. Highmore FCCLA represented our community very well.

Contests, known as STAR Events, took place at this meeting. STAR stands for Students Taking Action for Recognition. Events that students participated in at the meeting included Illustrated Talk and Job Interview. The following students from Highmore are some of the students who competed. Every STAR Event participant who received a superior rating and will advance to the state meeting in Sioux Falls in April. Students who competed in Illustrated Talk and received a superior rating were Jacob Moser & Riley Aasby. Students receiving an Excellent rating were Kimberly Moser, Ayden Aasby, Emily Semmler, & Lainey Aasby. Student members also participated in several different activities, including a tie blanket workshop led by Peer Educators Kaitlyn Hague and Brittany Hinkle, Chinese auction, and a penny war

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Kindergarteners Visit Historical Society and Thrift Store

The Kindergarten class visited the Historical Society in conjunction with their annual Christmas shopping at the Thrift Store. Half of the class shopped while the other half enjoyed cookies and juice at the Historical Society building. The children enjoyed seeing many antiques that were new to them. The class is pictured in front of the decorated tree at the Historical Society.



Students Win "Acalympic" Competition



By: Jennifer Mason

The annual Middle School Acalympics was held at Georgia Morris Middle School in Pierre on January 21, 2015. This academic challenge consists of middle school students in grades 6-8 from around the area who come together in hopes of winning the "traveling trophy." Highmore-Harrold sent the required two students from each grade: 6th – Mark Hague, Telson Cowan; 7th – Chesney Effling, Veronica Knippling; 8th – Nicole Pekarek, Spencer Lucas. This particular group of students have shown strength and consistency in all academic areas and WON first place at the completion; beating out larger schools such as Pierre MS, Miller MS, Stanley Co. and White River.

They will be traveling to White River where they will defend their trophy and honor in March!

FCCLA Continued: Local Student Chosen as State Officer

Rachel Houdek served as Highmore's time and door keeper. Brittany Hinkle served in the role of President and Shantay Werdel was our voting delegate. Many of Highmore's members were recognized for completing Step One and Power of One. District Officers presiding over the meeting included Co-Chairperson Kaitlyn Hague from Highmore. At the meeting, this group of officers installed the officers for the 2015-2016 year. Kaitlyn Hague and Madison Bollweg were Highmore's candidate and both did an amazing job running for office by performing a speech, taking an FCCLA test, and participating in an interview. Madison Bollweg is now the District VII Junior High Representative. Kaitlyn Hague received the position of District VII Chairperson which also means that she will become a State Officer. Her position as state officer will begin at the State Meeting in April. A huge thank you goes to chaperones Angie Bollweg, Jennifer Semmler, and Shannon Moser!



Quarter 2 Honor Roll

Class	"Merit" Honor Roll	"A" Honor Roll	"B" Honor Roll
Seniors	Jaxson Brueggeman Bennett Peterson McKenzee Zilverberg	Tristan Ashdown Sydney Cowan Chancey Feller Mary Reed	Collin Carroll Tyler Flaaen Tierny Hamlin Brittany Hinkle Rachel Houdek Clay Knox Brady LaMont Janelle Long Chase Reis Rittel Chantel Schroer
Juniors	Kaitlyn Hague Olivia Knippling	Josey Aasby Lucas Henry Makayla Kroeplin Danielle McCauley Logan Single Colin Weidenbach	Hadley Hamlin Kade Hieb Jarret Krause Matthew Pekarek Abigail Trevino
Sophomores		Cagney Effling Brittany Fyler Shelby Hattum Rachel Husted Kaitlyn LaVoy Max Ring	Theresa Alger-Wind Trevor Brueggeman Alia Converse Kaitlynn Dyer Shea Husted Gideon Jessen Trevor Ryan Isaiah Trevino
Freshmen	Brianna Beckler Natalie Leisinger	Digit Aasby Taylor Ashdown Rebecca Buchholz Tyra Flaaen Samantha Hoffman Halle Kroeplin Zoe Tvedt Shantay Werdel	Jace Baloun Henry Knippling Harlayna Lucas Dustin McCauley Madison Wieseler
8 th Grade	Jharett Bloomenrader Nicole Pekarek	Madison Bollweg Sydney Marso Jacob Moser Maria Pazour Halle Tvedt	Shiloa Bale Emily Converse Kassidy Dyer Treymaine Eagle Thunder- Alger Barry Johnson William Johnson Macy Labor Gage Rinehart
7 th Grade		Lainey Aasby Chesney Effling Blake Farstveet Dylan McDonnell	Jay Genzler Justin Hinkle Velvet Jessen Veronica Knippling

Parent Teacher Conferences on February 12

The Highmore-Harrold School District will have the spring semester Parent Teacher Conferences on Thursday, February 12 from 2:30-8:00. School will dismiss at 2:00 that day.

Elementary parentsplease be on the look-out for your child's conference schedule from his or her teacher. Please do what you can to arrive to the conference on time, and if the time does not work please let the teacher know.

Parents of students in grades 7-12: we are trying a different conference format this year called "Student Participation Conferences." We are inviting all students to join their parents for their conference with the teacher. Please bring your student, but if your schedules do not allow for it, we look forward to seeing you parents on Thursday!

National FCCLA Week/Activities

By: Alana Kroeplin

National FCCLA Week is next week!

Monday, February 9 – "Surf's Up with FCCLA" Day – Hawaiian Dress Up Day

Tuesday, February 10 – "Share our Strength –

FCCLA @ the Table Day" – FCCLA Shirt Day/Food Drive Day (Bring a non-perishable food item to school)

Wednesday, February 11 – "**Red out for FCCLA**" – Wear Red Day

Thursday, February 12 – "Throwback Thursday with FCCLA" – Decades Dress up Day (Crush for Your Crush & Silent Heart Game)

January Students of the Month

January Students of the Month were recognized at Highmore-Harrold School recently. Earning honors for the month of January were back row, Emily Converse, 8th grade daughter of Jeremy and Elisa Roth and Clay Knox, senior son of Paul and Kim Knox. In the front row are Callie Chavez, Kindergarten daughter of Steve and Jennifer Chavez and Grace Knox, fourth grade daughter of Doug and Mary Knox. Each of the recipients got a t-shirt and certificate to commemorate the achievement.

