

The Badger Barker

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Badger School District #676

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Badger Students Participate in MBDA Northwest Region Honor Bands

Submitted by: Lisa Erickson, Music Instructor

It was a slippery road to success on Saturday, January 17, when parents braved the icy roads to bring their children to Fergus Falls, Minnesota. Their destination was the Fergus Falls and the Minnesota Band Directors Association (MBDA) Northwest Regional 6-8 & 9-10 Grade Honor Bands. Students from 40 school districts participated in the honor bands. Six Badger students attended the event. Isabella Monsrud (flute), Alyssa Rinde (trumpet), Emma Gust (flute), Morgan Praska (clarinet), Emma VonEnde (trombone), and Jordan Watson (trombone). Ms. Erickson even got in on the action by teaching a flute sectional and taking part in directors' workshops.

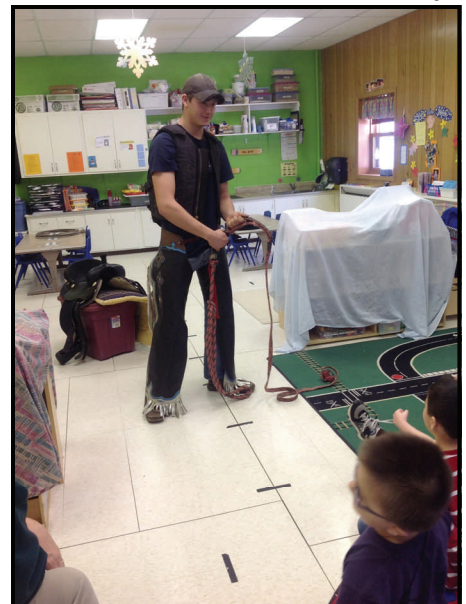
The culminating concert consisted of three bands. Grade 6-8 Yellow Band kicked off the concert with three pieces. Grade 6-8 Blue Band followed, performing four pieces. The show was closed by the Grade 9-10 Green Band playing five pieces. The concert was a complete success and the participating students had a wonderful time. Students were excited about the music they played and the new friends that they met.



Tractor Club

The Badger High School Tractor Club would like to give a big thank you to John's Auto of Greenbush for the donation a 1949 model 30 Gambles Farmcrest tractor for this year's project. Pictured is Jared Foss and Mike Coltom.

Thank You, Anthony



Junior Anthony Lawson shared his cowboy skills with the preschool class, who were learning about the letter "C." Anthony showed students his spurs, chaps, and bull riding vest. He also demonstrated how to lasso. He did a great job!

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Campus Comment

By: Devan Olson

What cartoon character do you most resemble?

Rebecca Dahlen (7th grade): A cartoon character that I think resembles me is Jerry from *Tom & Jerry*. I think this because I am a mischievous and strong person. I can think of smart ways to get myself out of any situation

Derrick Corneliussen (8th grade): What cartoon character do I most resemble? Bart Simpson is who I resemble most out of all the cartoon characters I know. *The Simpsons* was one of my favorite TV shows and movies. I picked Bart Simpson because he is the funniest character from the show. When Bart gets dared to do something, he will do it no matter how bad the dare. This is why I picked Bart Simpson.

Joanna Erickson (9th grade): Cinderella because she has blonde hair and has a similar personality. And we are both extremely Beautiful #MeganD said that. We both like the color blue!

Katrina Smith (10th grade): I think I most resemble Jessie from *Toy Story* because we both have that horse that is our best friend, and we both wear our cowboy boots everywhere.

Riley Sovde (11th grade): I think I most resemble Nemo because he can't say "anemone," and I don't say words correctly either.

Chris Larson (12th grade): I think I most resemble Bart Simpson. I am a trouble maker and a smart aleck.

Mr. Carpenter (Music teacher): The Hulk because you wouldn't like me when I'm angry.



February Gator Sports

By: Jack Peppel

Boys Basketball

- 2 Warren-Alvarado-Oslo @ BGMR
- 3 Warroad @ BGMR
- 6 @ Northern Freeze (Karlstad)
- 10 Roseau @ BGMR
- 12 @ Sacred Heart
- 14 Northome-Kelliher @ NCTC
- 19 @ Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
- 23 Pig Tail Play-in Game
- 26 Play-in Game
- 28 Section Quarter Finals

Girls Basketball

- 2 @ Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke (Grygla)
- 3 @ Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
- 5 @ Northern Freeze (Karlstad)
- 9 @ Stephen-Argyle (Argyle)
- 13 Warren-Alvarado-Oslo @ BGMR
- 17 @ Warroad
- 19 Roseau @ BGMR
- 20 Win-E-Mac @ BGMR
- 23 Sacred Heart @ BGMR

Wrestling

- 5 @ Thief River Falls
- 14 Team Sections @ Ralph Engelstad Arena, Thief River Falls
- 20 Individual Sections @ Glyndon
- 21 Individual Sections @ Glyndon



Band Musician of the Month Colby Wooten

Grade: 8

Sibling: Caitlyn

What instrument do you play? Percussion

Why did you choose to play this instrument? I was the only one that played it from 8th grade.

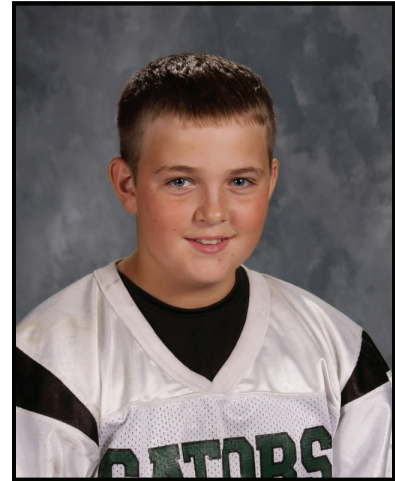
What is your most memorable moment in band? When Logan played so loud.

How long have you been in band? 4 years

What is your favorite song to play? *Party Rock Anthem*

What advice would you give to younger musician? It gets easier if you keep trying.

Does anyone inspire you to be part of band? Logan Klegstad because he always knows what he is doing.



Choir Musician of the Month Tatum Peters

Grade: 12

Sibling: Jessica

What section are you in? First soprano. I love being a first soprano because we get to sing high.

How long have you been in choir? 6 years

What is the hardest part about being in choir? Blending together.

What advice would you give other vocalist? When singing, open up your throat like your going to yawn. It will sound better. Also, have fun but respect the teacher!

What are you looking forward to this year? Singing in an ensemble with my senior class.

What kind of music do you like to sing? Pretty much anything. I love singing in general

What is your favorite choir memory? I don't think I have a "favorite" memory. Being in choir is amazing and I cherish every moment of it.

Trivia

By: Kaitie Hamann

- How many Oscars has Alfred Hitchcock won?
 - 4
 - 1
 - 7
 - 0
- Which U.S. state has the nickname *The Ocean State*?
 - Alaska
 - Hawaii
 - Rhode Island
 - Kentucky
- What was Edgar Allan Poe's first published collection of poems?
 - The Raven and Other Poems*
 - Poems, by Edgar E. Poe*
 - Tamerlane and Other Poems*
 - AL Araaf, Tamerlane and Minor Poems*
- What is Maine's state bird?
 - Red-Breasted Nuthatch
 - Snowy Owl
 - Black-Capped Chickadee
 - Oriole

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Adysen Gregerson

Parents: Angela & Joel

Age: 5

What do people do on Valentine's Day? People give other people stuff or they give away treats.

If you were on a deserted island and could only bring three things, what would you bring? My flashlight and my camera and my Barbie house.

What is your favorite movie? *Monster High* and I watch too much but my favorite part is when the girls get stuck on an island.

Who is your favorite superhero? Spiderman and Batman because I like the way they save people and fight bad people.

If you could turn into an animal, what animal would you be? I would be a lion because it's my favorite animal.



Kindergarten Korner

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Kylee Gust

Parents: Melissa & Steve

Age: 5

What do people do on Valentine's Day? It's when you give people stuff and care for other people.

If you were on a deserted island and could only bring three things, what would you bring? Food, my Rainbow Dash, and my Pinkie Pie because they are my favorite ponies.

What is your favorite movie? *Spiderman* because it has super heroes.

Who is your favorite superhero? I like Iron Man because he can fly and shoot blue laser balls.

If you could turn into an animal, what animal would you be? A tiger because tigers have black and orange stripes, and they have blue eyes.

Levi Olson

Parents: Sara & Brent

Age: 5

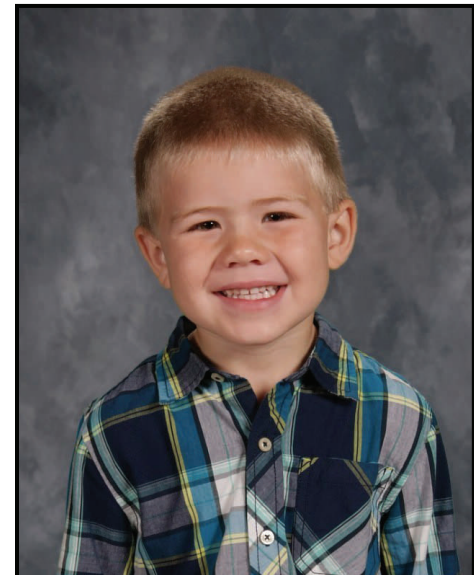
What do people do on Valentine's Day? You give stuff to others, like your friends.

If you were on a deserted island and could only bring three things, what would you bring? Clams because fish can eat them and I can catch them, a turtle so he can have his own house, a cat because it would be able to see the fish.

What is your favorite movie? *Turbo* because he goes super fast and he races all those cars.

Who is your favorite superhero? Flash because he goes super fast.

If you could turn into an animal, what animal would you be? A skunk so I can spray and nobody will bother me.



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Ramp-Up February 2015

Submitted by: Stacey Warne, Dean of Students

Ramp-Up for Readiness students will investigate the following topics during the month of February. Parents should feel free to use these as specific discussion starters about the Ramp-Up activities and workshops held during the month.

GRADE 6 – *Personal Readiness Evaluation for Postsecondary (PREP)*. This unit provides students with their first experience with PREP, something they should complete twice during the next couple of years. The design of the unit is for students to become engaged by their results before actually getting them. They take the PREP with a minimal explanation, and then predict how the other students in their group answered selected questions.

WORKSHOP: Ways to Pay for College

GRADE 7 – *Knowledge and Skills that Build Belief*. One element of a student seeing himself as college going material is a belief in his or her own abilities. This unit encourages students to identify their individual strengths in terms of knowledge and skills needed for college so they can further create an understanding and belief in themselves as college going students.

GRADE 8 – *Exploring the Right Postsecondary Fit*. This unit introduces students to factors to consider when they are exploring what may be the best postsecondary fit for them. Types of colleges and majors are discussed. Students are not expected decided on a college, but simply to explore options, and learn that the availability of majors they are interested in should be a primary factor. *Budgeting for Teenagers*. This unit on budgeting is intended to give students an idea about their own spending and savings habits. Students learn the definition of a budget, and set up their own budget.

WORKSHOP: Understanding Your EXPLORE Career Possibilities.

GRADE 9 – *Understanding Decision Making*. In these activities, students are taught five phases of decision-making (Clarification, Brainstorming, Evaluation, Decision, and Double Checking). These phases are something that can be applied to all sorts of decisions and will be useful far beyond 9th grade.

WORKSHOP: Global Knowledge Economy

GRADE 10 – *Access vs. Success*. This unit helps students understand that just gaining admittance to college will not guarantee graduation. *College Entrance Exams: ACT, SAT*. Students will review website and app resources used to study and prepare for these tests, and learn what these exams measure.

WORKSHOP: Understanding Your Plan Score.

GRADE 11 – *Finding the Right Postsecondary Fit*. In this unit, students get the time and opportunity to really begin narrowing their postsecondary options based on specific criteria like majors offered, type of degree program, school demographics and more. Both 2 and 4 year colleges will be explored.

GRADE 12 – *Building a Budget*. While many students have had some exposure to some money management in high school, this unit focuses on thinking about the money they earn and spend now, and the money that they may need to earn to spend in college.

WORKSHOP: Personal and Social Skills for Post Secondary Success.



Badger Arena is Open!

Grab you skates, your friends, and family ~
Get outdoors & enjoy!



Great lights so skating can be done in the evenings & the warming house is open!
Have Birthday Parties, Special Events for Church, 4-H, or Old-Timer Get Together!

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Senior Spotlight Aaron Dostal

Parents: Bob & Becky Dostal

Sibling: Nick

Nicknames: Big A, A-A-ron, Aar-Bear

Favorite:

Sport: Baseball

Song: *This is How We Roll* by Florida Georgia Line

Food: Tacos

Color: Volt (bright green)

Quote: "Sports do not build character. They reveal it."

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? Own a bunch of snowcats and ride all the time in the mountains with a cabin to live in.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? Travel around the world hunting and riding snowcat in the mountains with my pal Matt Howell.

What one word best describes your personality? Athletic

What was your most embarrassing moment in high school? Getting my eyebrows shaved off.

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? Be outdoors.

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? The lunch ladies and Mary.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? How far I've come as a person and as a student.

What do you plan on doing after you graduate high school? Going to a college of some sort.



Senior Spotlight Wyatt Peppel

Parents: Greg & Michelle Peppel

Siblings: Evan, Jack, Tim, Coryn, Anthony

Nickname: Pep

Favorite:

Sport: Baseball

Song: *We Own It* by 2 Chainz

Food: Bacon Cheeseburger

Color: Orange

Quote: "You miss 100% of the shots you don't take." ~ Wayne Gretzky

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? To be a professional baseball player.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? I would go with Alyssa Wahl (my girlfriend). I would go anywhere warm.

What one word best describes your personality? Athletic

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? Hit baseballs or see the girlfriend!!!

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? I will always remember how nice everyone was. The small school atmosphere where everyone

knows everyone. Also the teachers for just being easy to talk to and understanding.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? I'm proud that I will graduate with a great class. We've been there for each other since 7th grade.

What do you plan on doing after you graduate high school? I plan on attending the University of Minnesota- Crookston to study Elementary Education and to play baseball!!!





Senior Spotlight Kayleen Kjelland



Parents: Ron & Mindy Kjelland

Siblings: Alissa, Fedeline, Dorothy, Timmy

Nickname: Julia

Favorite:

Sport: Football

Song: *Bartender* by Lady Antebellum

Food: Bbq Ribs

Color: Green

Quote: "Sometimes you've gotta fall before you can fly."

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? I would wish that I could have many wishes, so that I could wish for more than one thing.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? I would take my Grandma to Iceland.

What one word best describes your personality? Quiet

What was your most embarrassing moment in high school? Any one of the times I have tripped and fell in front of my whole class.

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? Hang out with friends.

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? The teachers and students.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? That I stuck with band for all these years.

What do you plan on doing after you graduate high school? I plan on going to Thief River Falls at Northland and becoming a police officer after a few years.



Senior Spotlight Mariah Modahl

Parents: Bryan & Christine Modahl

Siblings: Tasha & Ryan

Nicknames: Moosh, MooMoo, Mer

Favorite:

Sport: Volleyball and basketball

Song: *Classic* by MKTO

Food: Tacos

Color: Orange

Quote: "Never frown because you don't know when someone will fall in love with your smile." ☺

If you had one wish, what would you wish for? Everyone to be happy and pain free.

If you could have one person travel with you to anywhere in the world, who would it be and where would you go? I would go to a jungle with my nephew to see the monkeys.

What one word best describes your personality? Smiley ☺

What was your most embarrassing moment in high school? I have too many that I try forget them.

What is your favorite thing to do with your free time? Spend time with my family and play games.

What is one memory you'll always remember from Badger School? When you walk down the hall and all the little kids yell your name and make you feel special.

What is one thing that you are proud of that happened to you in high school? When I went to state free-throw contest and got 2nd.

What do you plan on doing after you graduate high school? Going to college somewhere in the Fargo/Moorhead area.

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Badger School Superintendent's News



Badger School District Celebrates Paraprofessional Week

Badger School District Paraprofessionals:

Whitley Aamodt, Kay Clark, Tami Davy, Diann Hauger, Lorraine Kukowski, Elizabeth Lane, Annie Prestegord, Renee Rhen, Sue Smith

The Badger School District celebrates and formally recognized our paraprofessional staff as part of Paraprofessional Week January 26-30 as declared by Governor Dayton throughout the state of Minnesota. Paraprofessionals also known as instructional aides in many schools are often times the unsung heroes of a school district. Paraprofessionals assist teachers and students as needed throughout the school day on a regular basis. On any given day you may find paraprofessionals outside of school ensuring students safely board school busses, monitoring the playground during recess, or supervising the lunchroom. Paraprofessionals have many duties; however, the most important responsibility of the paraprofessional is assisting students as needed academically throughout the day.

The Badger School District is fortunate to have a group of dedicated paraprofessionals that understand their role and work collaboratively with the teachers they assist to ensure that students have the opportunity to maximize their potential as learners.

Thank you to all of the paraprofessionals employed by the Badger School District for your ongoing professionalism and commitment to our students. Your efforts to assist our students and staff help to make Badger the school where every student belongs.

Wolf Ridge Parent/Student Meeting

On Tuesday, February 3, a parent/student meeting will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Music Room at Badger School. During this meeting it is our intention to introduce the Wolf Ridge experience to you as parents and outline what is in store for your child. Badger 7th grade students will depart on Monday, April 20, and return to Badger in the evening on Friday, April 24. The week will provide countless hands on learning activities and many hours actively participating in educational activities.

Help Wanted

The Badger School District is seeking substitute bus drivers as well as substitute teachers and paraprofessionals. If you are interested and would like additional information regarding any of these opportunities, please contact the Badger School District at 528-3201.

Sincerely,
Tom Jerome, Superintendent
Badger School District

Shout Out To.....

All of the parents who transported their children on icy roads to the Minnesota Band

Director's Association northwest regional middle level honor band festival in Fergus Falls! With your support, your children had a great experience!

Faith Lutheran women's group for the recent donation to the Badger School.

Dianne Hauger for bringing in her saddle and horse blanket to the Preschool room for our cowboy/cowgirl unit.

Anthony Lawson for demonstrating his lasso roping skills to the Preschool students.

High school staff members from the Students Council for their cooperation during the afternoon of movies and fun the Tuesday before the winter break





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Daddy Daughter Dance

Friday, February 6, 2015

6:30-8:00pm

Badger School Cafeteria

Dear Parent:

The Badger Family, Career, & Community Leaders (FCCLA) of America Chapter will be hosting their annual Daddy/Daughter Dance on Friday, February 6, 2015, from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. in the Badger School cafeteria. We chose this date due to the 5th and 6th grade ski trip. The cost will be \$5 and refreshments will be available. We will provide fun music for kids of all ages to create an evening to remember for all. There is be no dress code, however, all princesses are encouraged to attend.

Studies have shown that fathers provide examples of how to relate to the opposite sex. Fathers show their daughters that their feelings count from a male perspective and give their daughters praise and admiration to help grow confidence. We also know that the first love of a female is her dad. The importance of this relationship is immeasurable because it can help give her the trust and confidence in herself to make good choices later on in her life.

Please consider having your daughter attend our dance with the man in her life. Maybe it's her dad, her grandpa, a special friend, an uncle, or a male who has made a difference in her life. We look forward to doing the hokey pokey, the chicken dance, and more with your daughter on Friday, February 6, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 528-3201.

Thank you,
Badger FCCLA



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February Dates to Remember

By: Devan Olson

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| 1 | Open Gym 3:30-5:00 pm | 17 | Comm Ed ~ 3-D Drawing 3:15 pm |
| 1 | Play Practice 5:15-7:00 pm | 17 | ECFE "Color Red - Wear Something Red" 6:30 pm |
| 2 | Comm Ed ~ Skating Lessons | 18 | 3 rd Quarter Midterm |
| 3 | Comm Ed ~ Come Draw with Me! 3:15 pm | 18 | Knowledge Bowl @ Thief River Falls |
| 3 | Comm Ed ~ Yoga (Adult Class) 5:45 pm | 19 | Parent-Teacher Conferences ~ Dismissed at 12:30 pm |
| 3 | ECFE "Star Shape" 6:30 pm | 22 | Open Gym 3:30-5:00 pm |
| 3 | Wolf Ridge Parent/Student Meeting 7:00 p.m. | 22 | Play Practice 5:15-7:00 pm |
| 4 | Knowledge Bowl @ Thief River Falls | 23 | Comm Ed ~ Skating Lessons |
| 4 | FCCLA Star Events @ Ada | 24 | Comm Ed ~ 3-D Drawing 3:15 pm |
| 5 | Comm Ed ~ Come Draw with Me! 3:15 pm | 24 | Comm Ed ~ Yoga (Adult Class) 5:45 pm |
| 6 | Daddy/Daughter Dance 6:30-8:00 p.m. | 24 | ECFE "Color Blue" 6:30 pm |
| 7 | One-Act Play Sections @ Bagley | 25 | Knowledge Bowl @ Thief River Falls |
| 8 | Open Gym 3:30-5:00 pm | 25 | Grades 11-12 NCTC Career Expo @ Thief River Falls |
| 8 | Play Practice 5:15-7:00 pm | 25-28 | Robotics @ Duluth |
| 9 | Comm Ed ~ Skating Lessons | 26 | Comm Ed ~ 3-D Drawing 3:15 pm |
| 9 | School Board 7:30 pm | | |
| 10 | Comm Ed ~ Come Draw with Me! 3:15 pm | | |
| 10 | Comm Ed ~ Yoga (Adult Class) 5:45 pm | | |
| 10 | ECFE "Valentine's Day Celebration" 6:30 pm | | |
| 11 | Class Group Picture Day | | |
| 12 | Comm Ed ~ Come Draw with Me! 3:15 pm | | |
| 13 | Grade 6 Ski & Science Museum ~ Bemidji | | |
| 15 | Open Gym 3:30-5:00 pm | | |
| 15 | Play Practice 5:15-7:00 pm | | |
| 16 | Presidents Day | | |

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Trivia Answers