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Hinton Second Graders & Teachers

Hot Chocolate Fridays Big Success

By Mrs. Mary Daniels

Seven very energetic second-graders learned a lot about serving others with their "Hot Chocolate Fridays" project in January. They approached Mrs. Daniels and Mr. Stuerman in December with an idea to raise money for the Hinton Relay for Life team and the American Cancer Society. The idea was to sell used books during first recess, and hot chocolate after last recess each Friday during January. They set the price at a quarter for a book and a quarter for a cup of cocoa. Mr. Stuerman approved the idea, and the students set to work. They made posters to advertise, collected orders and money in the mornings, and counted their earnings during recesses. Mrs. Daniels' office became a chocolate factory each Friday as they heated water, mixed cocoa, and dropped marshmallows into approximately two hundred and fifty cups. The cocoa was delivered to classrooms in carafes

and thermal jugs, and students enjoyed their cocoa while listening to teachers read or while finishing class work at their seats. Students and teachers brought used books to school, and these were sold each Friday morning during recess time. By the end of the project, the students were able to present Mrs. Culver, Mrs. Eaton, and Mrs. Joanning with a check for \$184.85, which was forwarded to the American Cancer Society. The students were very pleased with the participation, and were already brainstorming ideas for "next time!" The group is pictured as they presented their check to the Team leaders. The students are left to right: Allen Hamil, Morgan Mehrer, Karen Grigsby, Karlie VandeHoef, Emily Culver, Emily Charbonneau, and Haley Hall (not pictured).

Band Extravaganza 2002

By Mr. John Price

Come enjoy the music of our school bands Thursday evening, March 14. The Fifth, Sixth, Junior High, and Senior High School Bands will all perform individually and combine forces at the end of the program for a huge concert finale. The concert begins at 7:00 PM with an admission charge of \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students.

February & March Calendar Changes

By Mr. Al Steen

Due to boys and girls basketball tournament games we need to make the following calendar changes in February & March:

- February 26 & 28 — Parent/Teacher Conferences (5-8 PM)
- March 1 — No School

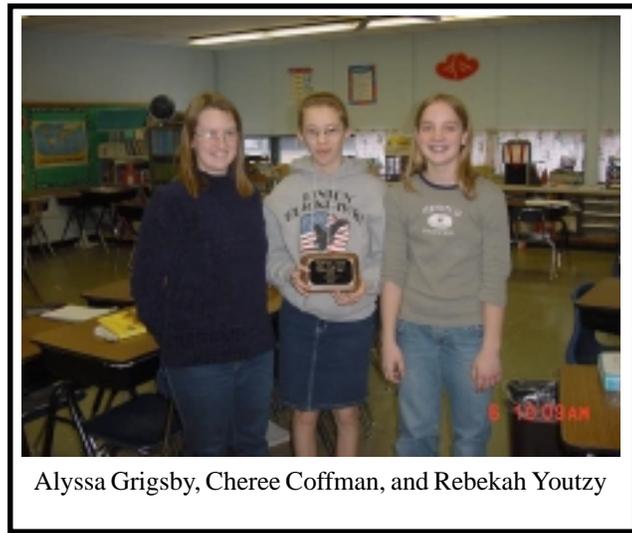
Hinton Students Participate in Regional Spelling Bee

Cheree Coffman to Compete at State

By Mrs. Jennifer Drees

For the second year in a row, Hinton was well represented at the AEA-sponsored Regional Spelling Bee. Seventh graders Cheree Coffman, Alyssa Grigsby, and Rebekah Youtzy competed in the January 26 event at the AEA. Rebekah successfully completed two rounds, but misspelled "abominable" in the third round. Alyssa finished an impressive sixth overall, misspelling "unenforceable" in round seven. Her sixth place finish is quite commendable, as 61 participants from area schools competed.

Cheree battled for fourth place with a student from Anthon-Oto-Maple Valley through words such as "quadrilingual," "cryonics," and "savorous." Cheree finally took the fourth place honors with the word "surrealism." Anna Jahn from LeMars won the spelling bee. Brittany Henry from Kingsley and Dylan Teut from Schleswig placed second and third respectively. The top four winners



Alyssa Grigsby, Cheree Coffman, and Rebekah Youtzy

will compete in the State Spelling Bee sponsored by the Des Moines Register in Des Moines on March 2. Congratulations, Cheree! All four girls worked hard to prepare for the competition. Our school and community should be proud.

Kids Click with Technology

By Mrs. Darcy Kuchel and Ms. Susan Wright

Hinton fourth graders shared information about carnivorous plants in an exciting PowerPoint presentation. Students learned about carnivorous plants in their reading books, took notes from their book and internet sources, then put their information in a computer slide show using PowerPoint, a program featured on our computers in our technology center.

The fourth graders added graphics and animations to their information and enjoyed finding a new way to share information, other than writing an everyday old report.

Bio Topics

By Mr. Roger Horsley

The class of Bio Topics is the studying of ecology, limnology, entomology, Ornithology, Mammology, and taxidermy. Ecology is the study of the relationship of organisms and their environment. Limnology is the study of fresh water. Entomology is the study of insects. Ornithology is the study of birds. Mammology is the study of animals. Taxidermy is an art of preparing, stuffing, and mounting the skins of animals.

Right now the class consists of 10 students. They have been working

on pigeons to start their taxidermy career. Some people are also working on antlers, ducks, and pheasants. In the first semester they did reports on ecology, limnology, entomology, ornithology, mammology, and taxidermy.

Sweat Suit Sale

By Mr. Mark Wilson

With the arrival of March winds and the coming of April Showers, boy and girl tracksters might want to consider purchasing a lined windbreaker sweat suit. All runners are provided cotton sweats for their respective sports, but additional layering might be considered. The black windbreaker consists of a hooded, zippered jacket with a heavy sweatshirt lining. The front sports a Hinton Track and Field logo and the back a tackle twill Hinton track design. The bottoms are the black windbreaker material with a lighter weight lining. The Hinton Track and Field logo is placed on the upper right leg.

These windbreakers are available to anyone (**including parents**). If interested, a sample may be viewed at Parent Teacher conferences on February 26 and 28. Inquiries should be directed at Coach Wilson. The full suit maybe purchased or just the jacket.

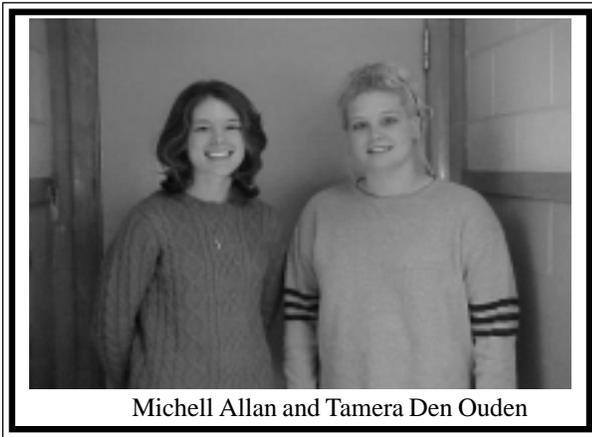
Fifth Grade Dare Graduation

By Mrs. Mary Daniels

Plymouth County Deputy Sheriff Lynn Steckelberg will host the D.A.R.E. graduation ceremonies on Tuesday, March 19, at 7:00 PM in the school gymnasium. All fifth grade students and their families are invited to attend.

D.A.R.E. (Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education) is provided at no cost to the school district by the Plymouth County Sheriff's Office. Deputy Sheriff Steckelberg met weekly with the fifth graders throughout the first semester. The program concluded with an invitation to students to write an essay about what they learned from the program. These essays were entered in a contest sponsored by the Sheriff's Office. The winners of the D.A.R.E. essay contest will be recognized and the graduation ceremonies, and the students will all receive certificates of graduation from the program.





Michelle Allan and Tamera Den Ouden

Welcome Student Teachers!

By Mrs. Ann Mosher & Mrs. Amy Eaton

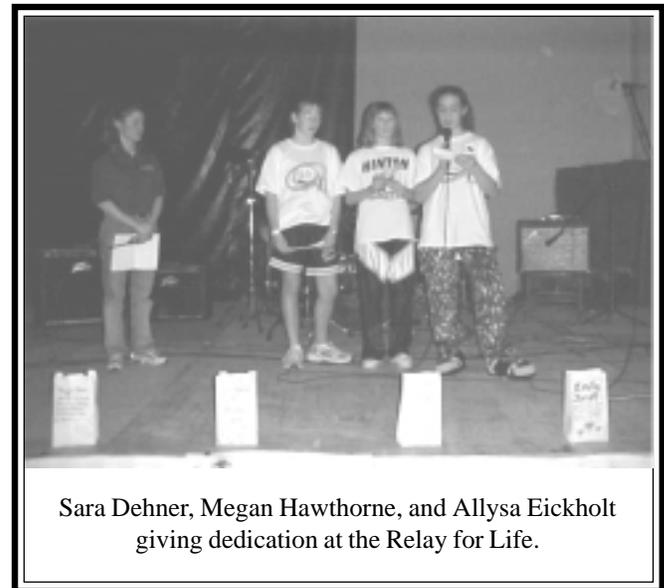
There is excitement in the air in second and third grade! The children get the opportunity to have two teachers this semester.

Michelle Allan (left) is from Buena Vista University in Storm Lake. She started on January 29 and will be with Mrs. Eaton until March 20.

Mrs. Tamera Den Ouden is from Morningside College. She began on January 8 and will be with Mrs. Mosher until April 12. If you see them in the hallways please welcome them to our school.



Staff Relay for Life Team.



Sara Dehner, Megan Hawthorne, and Allysa Eickholt giving dedication at the Relay for Life.



Erika Johnston, Brittany Stampe, Amber Walding, and Keaton Wingert

Olympic Games Peak Third Graders Interest

*By Miss Den Ouden
Third Grade Student Teacher*

The 2002 Olympic Games are in full swing and we are focusing our attention on the events. We began an Olympic Games Unit on February 4 and we are very excited about all of the Olympic happenings. Before the winter games even began, we were learning about the Olympics of the past and about the events that were going to be occurring in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The third graders are looking forward to learning more about the Olympics. Everyday the Sioux City Journal is delivered to our room so that we can keep up on the Olympic events. We are going to be making scrapbooks, writing research reports on our favorite events, learning about teamwork and learning about the athletes.

We Were Up All Night for the Fight!

*By Mrs. Amy Eaton and
Mrs. Diane Culver*

The Hinton Relay for Life Teams want to thank all the parents and community members for their contributions during the past few months. Students, community members, and staff represented Hinton at the Relay for Life. Many fundraisers took place, such as kiss the pig, pie in the face, beanie baby raffle, pizza at the games, and much more. All of our efforts paid off with a total over \$5,000. All of this money will go to the American Cancer Society to help in research, education, advocacy, and service.

At 10:00 PM, a special luminary presentation was made. Sara Dehner, Megan Hawthorne, and Alyssa Eickholt shared special memories about Emily Jordt and Bev Hey, and then lit their luminaries in memory of them.

After 12 hours of walking at the Hindman Hobb Center with over 80 different teams, collectively we raised over \$80,000.

Hinton High School Adds DECA

By Mrs. Amy Brighton

DECA is a co-curricular, student-centered organization specifically designed to provide activities that will motivate secondary/postsecondary students to learn marketing, management and entrepreneurial competencies that will prepare them to become skilled, employable workers in the field of marketing.

The purpose of DECA is to provide learning opportunities to marketing education students through goal-oriented chapter activities. The focus of these activities is always upon developing greater understanding and appreciation of marketing, management, and entrepreneurship. These activities contribute to occupational competence by promoting greater understanding and appreciation for the responsibilities of citizenship in our private and free enterprise system.

Any student enrolled in a marketing education instructional program anywhere in the US, the four U.C/S. territories, and Canada can be a member of DECA. The organization is nonprofit, nonpolitical, and totally student-oriented. All chapters are self-supporting with members paying local, state, and national dues. Each chapter elects its own student officers and the local instructor serves as the chapter advisor. All chapters, within a state, comprise a state association, which is under the leadership of the state advisor. Each state elects student officers for its division. The national organization is composed of the total of all state or provincial association. Student delegates selected by each state, in turn, elect their national student officers. DECA, Inc., the legal sponsoring unit of DECA., elects a board of directors, which is the policymaking group of the organization. DECA is the only national student organization operating in the nation's high schools that attracts individuals to the fields of marketing, management, and entrepreneurship.

The DECA chapter is to the marketing education program what a civic or professional organization is to a group of businesspeople. Chapter activities are recognized as a part of the total educational program because they develop leadership skills, professional attitudes, business competency, citizenship characteristics, and social growth of the individual. These same activities serve the instructor as a teaching tool by creating student interest in all phases of marketing, management, and entrepreneurship.

DECA activities provide members with opportunities to serve in leadership roles, work in teams and receive local, state and national recognition.

Hinton high school has added DECA as a part of its co-curricular activities. Members of D.E.C.A. during the 2001-2002 school year include: President Brandon McQuillen, Vice President Steph Sherwood, Secretary Darin Marks, Treasurer Kristine Vondrak, Kyle Muecke, BreAnn Schindel, Cassandra Whitney, Candice Whitney, Kyle Hays, Katie Huggenberger, Amy Held, Lisa Held, Colette Vondrak, Brittany Yoerger, Brittney Westphal, Tia Iddings, Matt Kovarna, and Jessica VanderKooi.

Activities for this year have included: Fall Conference in November, District Competition in January, and State Competition in February. The District Career Development Conference was held in January at Buena Vista University. All students chose their own area of study and completed one written test along with one role-play. Those placing in the top five include: BreAnn Schindel 5th place Apparel / Accessories Marketing, Cassandra Whitney 3rd place Apparel / Accessories Marketing, Steph Sherwood 2nd place Food Marketing, Colette Vondrak 2nd place Quick Service Restaurant Management and Katie Huggenberger 1st place Quick Service Restaurant Management. All DECA members will compete at the state level

CDC in Des Moines on Feb 26-27. Again, each student chooses his/her own testing area and will complete two written tests along with two role-plays. Those who place in the top two in their division will qualify for the International DECA CDC to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah in late April.

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Change is Good

By Mr. Joel Small

About a year ago, I was faced with a very difficult decision. Do I stay at a position that I have held for 15 years, and am very comfortable with, or do I step out of the "comfort zone" and prepare to meet the challenges that a new job would bring. I had talked to a number of people on many occasions and they all seemed to say the same thing, "change is good." It was one of the most difficult decisions I have had to make.

The transition from Homer to Hinton has been a positive move for my family and me. (I actually saw some of Kaylee's ballgames this year.) I have had the opportunity to establish some new close relationships with faculty, coaches, students, and community members. It has been very rewarding to work within the community in which I live. There is just that added sense of belonging attached. I take pride in the fact that I teach at Hinton Community School. In the short time I have been around, I have seen our students excel in many varied endeavors. I am impressed by the community support of our athletic teams, music concerts, and other school related activities.

My classes are going great. The structure of the jr. high is well suited to our middle level students. I work with some very talented, supportive, professional teachers. Jenny Drees, Steve Diediker, and Bruce Held provide a great wealth of teaching experience. They always keep the students' best interests in high regard. My social studies students have been working through the Revolutionary War Period, while civics classes have been learning about the functions of the different branches of government. In sociology, the students have been learning about some of the introductory sociological themes. We are finishing up a chapter on cultural adaptation and social change.

Drill Team Night

By Mrs. Janell Heimgartner

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 20. The Hinton All Star Dance Team will be hosting their first Drill Team Night. It will be a fun filled night of routines from various groups. You will get a chance to watch drill teams from other area schools as well as watch our own Hinton boys perform with the girls! The All-Stars will even be doing a routine with their mothers! We hope to see everyone there!

Hinton Community School Summer 2002 Driver Education

Registration Procedures / Due Date: May 1, 2002

Hinton Community School will be offering Summer Driver Education this summer in the months of May, June and July. The class consists of thirty (30) classroom hours and six (6) hours of behind the wheel instruction for each student. These hours are state guidelines, and must be met in their entirety to complete the course. Mr. Bruce Held will be the lead instructor, and Mr. Dewey Hupke will assist with driving hours.

The classroom instruction will be held at the school from 8:00 - 10:00 AM for fifteen (15) days starting June 3, 2002. There will be two (2) makeup days offered for those who miss a class. The driving instruction will be in three (3) hour shifts with three (3) students in a group. Each student will be required to drive six (6) times. Our goal is to have everyone done with the classroom instruction by June 28, 2002 and the driving by July 10, 2002. Certificates of completion will be issued after July 12th. Enrollment will be limited to sixty (60) students, on an age priority basis.

Requirements of the class:

- 1.) Students must be at least 14 years of age
- 2.) Students must hold a valid Iowa driver's instructional permit

(when going to get your permit, you must take along a state of Iowa birth certificate, not a hospital one. They will not let you use a hospital birth certificate)

- 3.) Students must pay a fee of \$200.00 before May 31, 2002
- 4.) Students must pass the classroom portion of the class with at least a C- (72%) grade
- 5.) Students must pass the driving portion of the class with at least a C- (72%) grade

To preregister, fill out the following form and send \$100.00 (half fee) or \$200.00 (full fee) to:

Hinton Community School
Driver's Education Program
315 W. Grand St.
PO Box 128
Hinton, Iowa 51024-0128

Make checks payable to: "Hinton Community School"
(If you pay \$100 to preregister, the other half of the fee is due May 31, 2002)

*****Detach Here*****

Student's Full Name: First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Home Phone #: _____
Social Security # (driver's permit #): _____ - _____ - _____
Birth Date: ____/____/____



March Lunch

				<u>1</u> <i>No School</i>
<u>4</u> <i>Cinnamon Pastry Juice and Milk</i> Beef Stew Peaches Salad Streusel Bread	<u>5</u> <i>Pancake Bites Juice and Milk</i> Cheeseburger Pickles Potato Wedge Fruit and Brownie	<u>6</u> <i>Sausage and Egg Biscuit Juice and Milk</i> Scalloped Potatoes n' Ham Mixed Fruit Green Beans Cookie	<u>7</u> <i>Cereal + Banana Muffin Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Pears Corn and Roll	<u>8</u> <i>French Toast Sticks Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Wrap Tri Tater Mixed Veggies Cookie
<u>11</u> <i>Egg and Cheese Biscuit Juice and Milk</i> Brats Corn Pears French Fries	<u>12</u> <i>Cereal and Dough- nut Juice and Milk</i> Hot Ham n' Cheese Mixed Veggies Apple Crisp Shape up	<u>13</u> <i>Cheese Omelet Juice and Milk</i> Taco Tri Tater Peaches Cookie	<u>14</u> <i>Pancake and Sausage Links Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Patty Mashed Potatoes Grapes Green Beans	<u>15</u> <i>Ham n' Cheese Biscuit Juice and Milk</i> Fish Nuggets Peas Apple Sauce Pasta Salad
<u>18</u> <i>Pancake Stick Juice and Milk</i> Mr. Ribb Pinnapple Green Beans Cookie	<u>19</u> <i>Cinnamon Pastry Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Pears Cookie Salad	<u>20</u> <i>Cereal and Muffin Juice and Milk</i> Pizza Carrot Sticks Apple Sauce Cookie	<u>21</u> <i>Cheese Toast Juice and Milk</i> Tavern French Fries Oranges Chocolate Cake	<u>22</u> <i>Sausage and Cheese Biscuit Juice and Milk</i> Macaroni and Cheese Peas Salad Bananna
<u>25</u> <i>Cheese Stick and Doughnut Juice and Milk</i> Goulash Corn Apple Bread	<u>26</u> <i>Ceral and Toast Juice and Milk</i> Hot Dog French Fries Carrot Sticks Peaches	<u>27</u> <i>Egg and Sausage Juice and Milk</i> Chicken Noodle Soup Crackers and Cheese Pinnapple Muffin	<u>28</u> <i>No School</i>	<u>30</u> <i>No School</i>

March 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 <i>No School</i>	2 Show Choir at Westwood Boy's Hoop Shoot Boy's Substate Basketball
3 Boy's Hoop Shoot	4 Girls State BB First Round 2:30 PM	5	6 Girls State BB Second Round 8:00 PM	7	8 <i>No School</i> Teacher Inservice Girls State BB Finals 7:00 PM	9 Show Choir @ Heelan
10	11 HPA Skating 6:30 PM Boy's State Basketball Week	12	13 2 hour early out - inservice	14 Band Extravaganza 7 PM	15 End 3rd Quarter - 43 days	16 Individual State Speech Contest
17	18 Blood Bank 9:30-4:00 Gov. Class to S.D. War Eagle Indoor Meet @ Dordt School Board 7:00 PM	19 D.A.R.E. Graduation - 7 PM WEC Academic Banquet at Granville	20 Gov. Class to S.D. Supreme Court Drill Team Night	21	22 HPA Carnival Kindergarten Round-Up	23
24 Band Trip	25	26	27 1 hour early out	28 <i>No School</i> Snow Day Make-up day if needed	29 <i>No School</i> Good Friday	30
31 Easter						

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