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After-Prom Events and Sales

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!

To schedule a pre-holiday visit to your home by Santa call Char Dollison at 942-6642 \$25 per visit
Proceeds benefit After-Prom activities.

After-Prom Upcoming Events

Can Drives
January 8, 2005 9:00 a.m.
February 5, 2005 9:00 a.m

Thank You!

Thanks to everyone who helped organize or participated in the Hy-Vee Pie Fundraiser. It was a great success and we appreciate all your help!

After-Prom Committee

Sales

Garbage Bags for Sale!!!!!!

Quality bags—2 mm thick vs Hefty at 1.5 mm

\$8.50 a roll

55 gallon—16 bags per roll

39 gallon—25 bags per roll

15 gallon—65 bags per roll

Contact a senior or Jennifer Birchette to order. Help us (senior parents) provide a fun and safe after-prom for our children.

Fleece for Sale!!!!

The After-Prom Committee will be selling fleece blankets and other fleece items in our booth at Milo's Smalltown Christmas. COME CHECK US OUT! All proceeds will be used for after-prom activities for our students.

Southeast Warren Emergency Food Pantry

The deadline is quickly approaching to register for the Christmas Food Offering. The last day to qualify is **December 3, 2004**. Late registration requests will be honored, provided funds are available. If you desire to participate in the **2004 Christmas Food Offering**, please contact Rev. Jeff Porter - 942-6123, or Pauline Ripperger - 534-3208.

Southeast Warren Food Pantry, Pauline Ripperger

From your **Junior/Senior High Principal...**
Terry Gladfelter

Principal's Report

The first nine week grading period is already completed. The talk is now about the Holiday Season. Where does the time go? In the previous issue I spoke about the good results on the mid term D/F list. Those good results have continued. At the end of the nine weeks there was again a significant decline in the D/F list as compared to last year. Last year there were 64 "F's" at the quarter representing 41 students. This year there were 31 "F's" representing 20 students. Last year there were 136 "D's" representing 91 students. This year there were 125 "D's" representing 80 students. One would think the significant drop in the "F" list would move those students to the "D" list. That has not been the case with the decrease in the number of "D's" and the students represented. I am so pleased with this good news that fellow principals and AEA people are probably tired of hearing from me. Teachers and students are to be commended for their good efforts during this first marking period.

The week of November 8 was the ITED testing. I was so impressed with the efforts of our students. Yes, there are incentives in place this year for the students to do well. I have found out that these types of incentive plans have been in place in area schools for the past three and four years. Our results will not be back until after the new year, but I am optimistic about our student effort in the tests this year. It's time that we shed the reputation of having some of the lowest test scores in Warren County. Our students are capable of much more.

Another positive note – our sportsmanship ratings for volleyball have come back from the Pride of Iowa. In the conference last year we were in 11th place. This year we were in 5th place. Great job spectators, players, and coaches Mr. Dicks and Mrs. Burrell!

We live in a day when much of what is said and reported about students and schools is reported in a negative way. My goal is that in every issue of the Warren Pride for the remainder of the year I want to celebrate the successes of our students, staff and school.

My wish to the SEW family and community is for a blessed holiday season with each of us truly celebrating the Reason for the Season.

Submitted by Terry Gladfelter, Secondary Principal

AED

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR HAS BEEN INSTALLED AT THE NORTH WEST ENTRANCE TO THE GYMNASIUM ABOVE THE WATER FOUNTAIN AREA. THE MILO FIRE DEPARTMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TOM LYONS FAMILY RECENTLY DONATED THE DEFIBRILLATOR TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. TWENTY-THREE OF OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF DISTRICT WIDE HAVE JUST RECEIVED CPR TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION. THE TRAINING INCLUDED USE OF THE DEFIBRILLATOR. THE DEFIBRILLATOR CAN BE USED ON BOTH ADULTS AND CHILDREN. SIGNS ARE POSTED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING SIGNIFYING THAT AN AED IS IN THE BUILDING. THANKS TO THE FACULTY AND STAFF THAT GAVE UP AN EVENING AND THE COST OF THE CLASSTO RECEIVE THE TRAINING. SEW GIVES A BIG THANK YOU TO THE GENEROSITY OF OUR COMMUNITY.

Student Driving

The year has been very quiet so far from a discipline standpoint. One of the biggest issues that I have had to deal with is student driving. I know that students at this age can feel pretty invincible – but, I have observed inappropriate driving behaviors around the school. I have received reports from parents and students about student driving throughout the community, and I have heard from almost every bus driver about student driving. The bus drivers are especially concerned because of the students they transport. When having to speak to students and parents, I always receive solid support on behalf of safe driving. Please speak to your student drivers about the safety issue. It is a privilege to drive to school and I want responsible, respectful, positive role models from our student drivers.

From your **Intermediate Principal...**

Cindy Butler

Conferences were well attended with 89% of our students having a parent or guardian come to school to visit with the teacher(s). We feel strongly about the benefit of communication between school and parent. In addition to conferences, we have several avenues available for communication: phones in the classroom, e-mail access, after-hours answering machine, or notes home. In addition to the two-way communication, we provide one way communication via the weekly update from the office, the *Pride*, and the *Intermediate Notebook*. The weekly update from the office is accessible on the district's web site at www.se-warren.k12.ia.us as is an interactive calendar of events. We want to keep you informed of school activities in a convenient, useful manner. Please take advantage of our availability and contact the classroom teacher or me with any concerns or questions you may have. If you have suggestions which will allow for better communication between school and parent, please let me know so we can explore the possibilities.

This year we are planning several special evening events to welcome parents into our school and to showcase an area of academic study. A math night was held in November with over 25 students attending and participating in a variety of math activities. A social studies night also was held in November with each class displaying a social studies project. The highlight of the evening was the Geography Bee. Students qualified for the evening competition based on classroom competitions. The winner of the Geography Bee is eligible to enter advanced competition. We have held this event in the evening for the past three years to give more parents the opportunity to attend. Later in the year we will host a similar evening for reading and science. Our students are proud of what they accomplish each year and we hope these evenings will give parents and family members an opportunity to share those accomplishments.

Submitted by Cindy Butler, Intermediate Principal

ADULT EDUCATION

The school district is collecting suggestions for adult education courses. Please let us know if you are interested in a certain kind of course, or if you are available to teach a course. Either return this form to the Superintendent's office or call 466-3510.

<input type="checkbox"/> Quilting	<input type="checkbox"/> Ballroom dancing
<input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal crafts	<input type="checkbox"/> Using computers
<input type="checkbox"/> Wellness	<input type="checkbox"/> CPR
<input type="checkbox"/> Photography	<input type="checkbox"/> Painting/drawing
<input type="checkbox"/> Aerobics	<input type="checkbox"/> How to help children become better readers
<input type="checkbox"/> Bus drivers' training	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

I would be willing to serve as a teacher for an Adult Ed. class on _____

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____
ADDRESS: _____ EMAIL: _____

E.L.P.

by Lindsay Young, SEW Gr. 6

Help support S.E.W's 6th grade E.L.P. Buy "MATH FUN AROUND TOWN". This fun and educational computer game incorporates many of the businesses and other popular locations in the towns of Milo and Lacona. Plus it will challenge you with the math problems based on facts from these places. The C.D. will be on sale at Milo's Small Town Country Christmas, or to place an order contact Mrs. Cindy Butler at the S.E.W. Intermediate Center. Thanks!

Fine Arts Boosters

The Fine Arts Boosters met Wednesday, Nov. 10th. The group approved to pay \$100 for the 4th graders to attend the Nutcracker, and \$100 for the musical accompanist. This is just an example of what our group does for the students. In the past, we have made contributions of \$200 to the elementary art program for supplies, \$100 to the music department for a Native American Assembly in Milo, \$883 for a new Baritone for the band department, funds to the art department for supplies, new flags for the Colorguard, band and concert judges, cleaning bills for the band uniform pants, teacher's lunches for inservice, and many other expenses. The students in the fine arts departments work very hard to put on excellent programs and we are very glad to help in any way we can.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, Dec. 8th. We would love to see some new faces to help plan our next endeavor.

submitted by Donna Clay

From your **Primary Principal...**
Charlotte Weaklend

Attendance at the Primary building's parent-teacher conferences in November was again excellent. Caring parents are what make education successful. Thanks to all of the parents who turned out to visit with their child's teacher. Please remember that if you have a concern or question any time during the school year, the teachers and I are just a phone call away. To avoid interrupting a class, we ask that you call teachers between 11:10 a.m. and 11:50 a.m. or between 3:20 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Thanks!

The November Partners in Education book fair enabled the teachers to select many new books for their classrooms, and parents to do a little early Christmas shopping. Thanks to the volunteers who helped make it happen. We will be hosting several events in our building during Milo's Small Town Country Christmas on December 4th. The quilt show, which on the tour of homes this year, will again be held in the multipurposeroom on the northwest corner of the building. Access to the quilt show will be through the back service door facing the highway. Partners in Education will be having their Cookie Walk in the front foyer of the Primary building. This is a change from years past when the Cookie Walk was held in the Public Library downtown. Elementary aged children interested in making a Christmas gift for mom or dad may do so in the art/music room on the north side of the south wing for a small fee. Several local vendors will be displaying their wares in the south wing hallway. Come join us for the fun! The annual Elementary Winter program will be held on the evening of December 6th in the high school gymnasium. The entire community is cordially invited. Attending one of these programs is a great way to kick off the holiday season! We guarantee a lively, uplifting performance. Curtain time is 7:00 p.m. See you there!

Submitted by Charlotte Weaklend, Primary Principal

Communications with Transportation

In the event you have a school transportation question or concern, you can contact Transportation Director Joel Mosher via his school cellular phone at **641-344-5270**.

Joel will have this phone with him on his bus route so he may not be able to immediately answer the call if he is driving. This phone number will be answered from 6:45 a.m. until all buses are in, including after-school and evening activities. This phone is equipped with voice mail so you can leave a message or question in the event Joel is not able to answer the phone immediately.

You may wish to write this number down in your phone book or pocketbook for future reference.

ACCELERATED READERS

These students have earned awards for achieving various levels in the Accelerated Reader program. Students first receive 10 points for reading 20 books. They then become an Independent Reader. Their picture is put up in the hall, an announcement is made in morning assembly, and the student earns the honor of attending the Accelerated Reader party during that 9 week period. Each time a student moves to a new level they earn the right to attend the AR party in that 9 week period. The next level a student may achieve is Rising Reader. Again that child must earn 10 points or read about 20 books. The next level is Super Reader. The student must read 3 one point book to get each Super Reader award. These books are usually chapter books. Students achieving these levels have the honor of getting their names in the Warren Pride. Congratulations to all of these students!

Rising Reader

Megan Cleveland
Kaylee Miller
Josh Mosher
Shiloh Williams
Morgan Weeks

Super Reader I

Alyssa Dittmer
Sierra Dorsey
Jake Hunerdosse
Raelyn Meling
Brandi Putz

Super Reader II

Amy Koenck

Super Reader III

Preston Carruthers

News from the National Honor Society

The members of the NHS have been very busy this fall. We were busy picking up trash along the highways in October. We were then active in providing the Junior High Students with entertainment in the form of a Halloween Dance. We are now planning another social get together for the junior high students in the form of a Valentines Day Dance in February. We are also busy planning the Senior Citizen's Meal to be held the 1st day of December. NHS has a great bunch of individuals who are willing to work for the good of others.

Junior High Athletics

This is the second year that junior high sports teams have practiced outside the school day. There has been some discussion about returning to junior high practice during the school day. We are preparing to send out a survey to parents who have children in grades 4-12; this will give us feedback from those in the previous system, those in the current system, and those whose children may soon be in junior high sports.

If this pertains to you, please watch your mail for this survey and accompanying information. We would like to have it returned as soon as possible after you receive it. We value your input, and thank you for your time.

THANK YOU

The Colorguard would like to thank the community for their support with the can drive. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Come see us perform our state routine at Vets on Friday, December 3rd.

ISU College Visit

ISU had a career-shadowing day on November 8. One hundred seventh and eighth grade students from across the state spent the day on campus visiting the different schools and colleges. Selection was based upon a submitted essay by the students. Ms Chamberlain made this a writing project for her 7th and 8th grade students and over 90 essays were submitted. Of the 100 students chosen, SEW had 10 selected. We had two seventh grade students and eight eighth grades students selected. The students were Megan Karimi (7), Rosie Petry (7), Alex Bruce (8), Ariel Downs (8), Carolina Eckert (8), Caitlin Ellingson (8), Josh Manley (8), Hannah Norem (8), Austin Putz (8), and Blake Roush (8). Congratulations!

PSAT Meritorious Student

KORIE DOWNS, DAUGHTER OF KAREN AND BARRY DOWNS OF MILO, RECENTLY RECEIVED RECOGNITION FROM THE NATIONAL MERIT TEST FOR HER SCORE ON THE PSAT TEST. THOUGH NOT ONE OF THE 16,000 NATIONWIDE THAT MOVE ON TO THE SCHOLARSHIP LEVEL, KORIE WAS ONE OF 36,000 STUDENTS NATIONWIDE THAT WAS RECOGNIZED FOR HIGH ACHIEVEMENT SCORES ON THE TEST.

Future Farmers of America

This past month has been exciting. We went to the National FFA Convention in Louisville Kentucky. We went on some tours while we were there; we went to a glassworks factory where they made glass objects. We took a tour of the National FFA headquarters on our way down. We attended some FFA seminars where we heard motivational speakers. This was an exciting trip. The FFA will hold Food for America on November 23rd for the third graders. We will dissect a cheeseburger and describe where the parts come from. Also, the FFA plot at Liberty Center has been harvested thanks to Brad Ball.



FFA reporter Brad Ball

Band News

Both Jr. High and High School bands have put away the marching shoes for the season. Marching season was a learning experience for Jr. High. The group as a whole had little experience, but proved to be quick to grasp the fundamentals. We combined both bands for two football halftime shows. It was enjoyable to see such a large marching formation on the field. The weather cooperated for the first three games with comfortable temperatures and little wind. The last home game our luck ran out with rain forecast and humidity in the 90 to 100% range so we cancelled our pep band for the evening. That type of weather is a woodwind instrument's worst enemy. The damp weather and high humidity can do serious harm to pads on clarinets, flutes, and saxophones. Repair costs range from \$185 to \$325 for a complete repad.

Concert band is in full swing, no pun intended, preparing for our Christmas concert December 13th. Jr. High will play "Let It Snow", "Silent Night and All That Jazz", and others. High School is preparing a beautiful new composition "The Angels of Christmas", "Winter Wonderland", and "A Christmas Extravaganza". Much of the music this year is newly published and is a real treat. In addition to the concert, the High School Band is performing at Capitol Square in Des Moines on Dec. 7th at 11:30 A.M. The Jr. High Band will perform for shoppers at Merle Hay Mall on Dec. 9th at 11:30 A.M. You are invited to attend any and all of our performances. Hope to see you there!!!

If you need Christmas ideas for stocking stuffers call me. I can provide many ideas for your student musician.

Submitted by Willis VanderLinden, Jr. Hlgh & H.S. Band

FCCLA News Letter

by Dorie Knight, SEW Gr. 12

This year the National Cluster Meeting was held in Omaha, Nebraska November 12th and the 13th. The theme was "Anything But Ordinary". The students who had the opportunity to attend were Brittany Graham, Taylor Coffman, Lacey Goering, Sarah Sorensen, and Melissa Rossean.

On this trip they had a chance to experience a new city and get to know lots of other students from other schools and states. They attended many activities, both fun and educational. One consisted of teens that had experiences with drunk driving, and encounters with drunk drivers and lived to tell what happened. Another was the Japanese Exchange Program Training which was one of their favorites

Their time wasn't just spent in sessions, though. The second day they were there, they explored Omaha and all the sites for four and a half hours, and then spent most of Sunday site seeing again. At the end of the second day they were able to party with each other and new friends at the "Anything But Ordinary Bash" FCCLA held for all the members.

Over all, it was an exciting and educational weekend for all the members who attended. Hopefully the Nashville Cluster Meeting will be even more exciting. The members who are attending this trip are Joey Clay, Korie Downs, Dorie Knight, and one non-member, Audra Drish. This trip promises to be a wonderful experience, and a great opportunity to see members of FCCLA from other states and get a great cultural experience.

Saving the World One Classroom at a Time

by Ariel Ohnemus, SEW Gr. 9

This year at Southeast Warren High School, the Jr. High E.L.P. students have been in charge of a new recycling program. Every teacher puts a bin in their room, and students put their paper in the bins rather than the trash can. The paper is weighed in order to see which class has the most recycled paper, then sent to McCormick's Redemption Center in Indianola. The class that has the most paper is featured in the morning announcements.

When asked if we were going to continue this program, Mrs. Cooper, the advisor of Jr. High ELP, answered, "Yes, so far it has been going well, and the students have done a good job of running it." The E.L.P. group hopes to continue the program in order save Southeast Warren money, because picking up recycling costs less than picking up garbage.

Gossip

by Cara Kaldenberg, SEW Gr. 11

Society is you and me
Everyone's a piece of they
Very much of what we do ends up as words that other's say
No, I exist except as we,
Though he and she are part of you:
Each pronoun's only partly true,
Each life becomes another's way.
No one can simple be.

Time tends to make the biggest problems seem small
It heals the bitterest and deepest wound.
There is no pain, no agony at all, that time won't turn into some
sweet, sad tune.

So let time take you, just as a river flows
Beyond the violent rapids, where you are.
There are things that every girl knows
Once she can see her tempest from afar.

Paint the Town Red? No, Let's Paint S.E.W Green!

by Ariel Ohnemus, SEW Gr. 9

Have you noticed the improvements around Southeast Warren High School lately? Visually, this school year began with several changes, adding up to quite an impact. Thanks to George Ricklefs, our custodian, Southeast Warren has a resurfaced gym floor, and a new floor in the girls' locker room. Anita Snook, also a custodian, has also repainted all the doors and helped Mr. Ricklefs with some of his projects.

Mr. Ricklefs says he likes working here and likes the students. When asked what the best thing about working at S.E.W. was, he replied, "Being around the young people," but when asked what the worst thing about working here was, he answered, "Cleaning up chewing gum off the floor. That's gotta be the worst."

Mr. Ricklefs says working here is hard work, but it is rewarding because "After I do my work, I can see that it's clean." His daily hard work helps in keeping Southeast Warren's hallways and classrooms clean.



Getting to Know Mrs. Garrison

By Angie Steil, SEW Gr. 10

Have you noticed the new face in the media center? Her name is Amber Garrison and she is our new study hall monitor.

Mrs. Garrison was born June 20, 1980, in Des Moines. She has four siblings, three sisters and one brother. While attending Chariton High School, Mrs. Garrison participated in cross-country and track. In 1998, after graduating from high school, she attended AIB College of Business.

On February 2, 2001, Mrs. Garrison was married to her husband, Dan. She now has a 20-month-old little boy named Gage. Her sister Maxine, a high school freshman, also lives with her.

In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her husband and son and also watching and cheering for Maxine during her activities. Maxine's activities include volleyball, basketball, track, participating in the school plays, and possibly softball. Mrs. Garrison also enjoys taking her dog, Diesel, on walks. Diesel is a 2-year-old Husky-Lab mix. She also likes going on vacation to Montana and Indiana to visit her family.

Mrs. Garrison began her career at Southeast Warren on October 14th this school year. The tasks she performs include being study hall monitor and also taking money during three lunch periods. Overall, she enjoys being at Southeast Warren. She likes it because of the hours she works and the people at Southeast Warren.

Her advice to students at Southeast Warren is, "Work hard in school and get good grades because high school is just a short time in your life."

Senior Study Hall is Back

By Karen Manser, SEW Gr. 12

This year Southeast Warren has seen the return of Senior Study Hall. It is located in a small room off the back hallway. The atmosphere is much like a lounge, where students are casual and sit in a comfortable environment. The seniors can snack, watch movies, and play video games.

After three years without senior study hall, Senior Danielle Squier helped Mr. Reno and Mr. Gladfelter set it up. "I wrote a letter to Mr. Reno. I brought up the issue of giving students privileges, such as senior study hall. I had a few meetings with Mr. Reno and Mr. Gladfelter and then they had me write up a contract," said Squier.

The guidelines that each senior must follow are to keep a C in each class and practice the 3 R's, to be Respectful, Responsible, and a Positive Role Model.

The seniors are loving this new perk. "It is one of the only times we get to chat with our fellow classmates during school hours," says Senior Joey Clay. Senior Audra Drish added, "It gives us more responsibility and I like the time to socialize."

"Senior Study Hall has been a chance for seniors to show us that they are becoming responsible young adults. I've been impressed with their level of responsibility, respect, and role modeling with this privilege," said Mr. Gladfelter.

Leadership Group To Simpson College November 4th

Several students from S.E.W. participated in the Craig Hillier Leadership Conference. It was a day of fun and growth in the area of leadership. Several other schools participated in the project. They were Interstate 35, Carlisle, Indianola, Melcher Dallas just to mention a few. The students were involved in many leadership activities. They were challenged to start some form of project at their high school that would benefit their school and/or community. The students from S.E.W. participating in the conference were, Brandi Haight, Jamesa Waddle, Stanlie Burrell, Zach Bruce, Eric Falk, Catie Meyers, and Courtney Hardy. Students invited back from last year's leadership conference were Angie Steil, Matt Farley and Kevin Manser. They will return to Simpson on January 19, 2005 for a follow-up session. Look for positive things to evolve from this project.

Art Club News

This time of the year we are busy with the Angel Tree Project. This is the 5th year for this project and it has been very successful in the past due to the community's participation. Angel trees will be up in the three schools on Nov. 16th. Please take an angel and purchase the gift on it and return it to the donation box. Your generosity will help around 15 families have a brighter Christmas this year. Please see the Christmas Project article for more details.

Jr High Art Club: By Emily Nutting
When Secretary of Art Club, Heidi Dittmer was asked what her favorite Art Club activity was so far she replied, "I really enjoyed Homecoming week when we decorated the float at Joey's house." The Stalker's Haunted House was also fun. Hannah Norem and Keri Baker definitely had the loudest screams!

Upcoming Art Club Calendar
December 6th- 3:30-6pm: Christmas Project gift wrapping
December 6th- 6pm-7:45pm: Pizza Hut and Secret Santa gift exchange (optional)
December 8th- 3:30-6pm: Christmas Project gift wrapping
January 13th- 5pm-8pm: Ceiling Tile Painting and Roller Skating at Skate South
February 10th- 3:30-5:00: Preparing for Fine Arts Night
February 11th- 3:30-5:00: Preparing for Fine Arts Night
February 12th- Fine Arts Night and Talent Show



Help make Christmas brighter for families in our community.

The Christmas project has been successful the past three years thanks to your support. Last year donations helped sponsor nineteen families (72 people). Even if you just picked one angel off the tree, your contribution helped to generate over 900 gifts! This year the project is sponsored by Art Club, Spanish Club, ECP, FBLA, Student Council, & Spirit Squad.

Stop by an Angel Tree: Pick an angel off the tree and purchase the wish list item on it. Return your unwrapped gift(s) with the angel attached to any of the three SEW schools.

Donation box locations: In or near the front office of any SEW school.

Extra Donations: Any extra donations are always appreciated, such as used clothes, books, and toys in good condition. Monetary donations will be used to go shopping for items left over on the angel trees (make checks payable to Art Club Christmas Project).

Last Day to Donate: Thursday, December 16th all donations boxes will be picked up from all three schools.

Thanks for your generosity!!!

**If you have any questions or know of a family who will benefit from this project please contact Lisa Huyette at the high school at 641-466-3331*

From the Desk of the Athletic Director

Sportsmanship

The first set of sportsmanship ratings are in for the 2004-2005 sports year. Volleyball ratings have been received. Southeast Warren has made a great leap to 5th overall. Last year, we were a very disappointing 11 out of 12. Here is a comparison to last season. Numbers in parenthesis are ranking in conference.

<u>2004</u>			<u>2003</u>		
Coaches	108.43	(5th, tie)	Coaches	105.29	(10th)
Players	110.00	(1st, tie)	Players	103.71	(11th)
Spectators	105.29	(6th)	Spectators	102.14	(10th)
Overall	323.71	(5th)	Overall	311.14	(11th)

A special thanks to everyone. We made such great strides in one year. We are well on to making Southeast Warren #1.

Schedules & Changes

There have been a few schedule changes for the winter sports.

The Jv basketball game scheduled for December 2nd has been moved to December 10th as a part of a Jv-V doubleheader. Central Decatur has two gyms, so we will be playing a Jv boys game at the same time as the varsity girls & Jv girls during the varsity boys game.

The Jh boys basketball game for December 2nd with Carlisle has been cancelled due to Carlisle changing conferences. We will be picking up a game with Corning on the same date. Not all of the final arrangements have been set.

The Jh wrestling meet schedule for January 20th has been moved to Melcher-Dallas. Melcher-Dallas requested a site change due to lack of home meets.

Wrestling fans: Don't miss the 2004-2005 Warhawk Supermen in action. We only have two home meets this year. The Warhawks host Corning - Clarke on December 2nd at 5:30 & Mount Ayr - I-35 on December 9th at 6:00. Come out at cheer the team on!

Dancing Our Hearts Out *by Karen Manser,* *SEW Gr. 12*

The Southeast Warren dance team has been preparing for State to be held on Saturday, December 4, at Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Des Moines at 8:12 and 10:40 A.M.

"We are working hard and are more dedicated than ever!" said Junior Co-Captain Chelsie Town.

On November 20th the dance team will be attending the Norwalk Pre-State Show to help prepare for State. Then the team will be having a dance retreat to hang out and have fun.

"Each member has sacrificed a lot to be where they are right now. State is coming up fast and we are all getting excited," said coaches Miss Huyette and Miss Helverson. "We are all looking forward to showing everyone what we've been working on these last few months, so please come see us December 4th!"

Thank you!

Thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets for the autographed banner at Homecoming.
SEW Youth Football League

Kickoff to Warhawk Winter Athletics

by Mandy Kimzey, SEW Gr. 10

As Fall comes to an end and Winter sets in, the Warhawks begin looking forward to the next phase of the year. The winter athletic teams first start their season by setting goals high and reaching for new expectations.

The girls basketball team will start off the season with two new coaches, Coach Tim Cerwinski and Coach Mike Tierney. Coach Tierney explained that their main goal is to produce individuals who demonstrate qualities of pride, excellence, character, and community involvement. The girls' team will also be working hard on playing as a team. They are looking forward to seeing advancements, team growth, and succeeding as a team.

The boys' basketball team is setting high goals too. With a record of 12-12 last season and a sixth place conference finish, Coach Dan Thomas will be setting new expectations. He's expecting to finish within the top six in the conference. Their main goal this season, explains Thomas, is winning the conference for the first time or landing within the top three. The boys are looking forward to just getting the season started. Thomas also remembers Melcher-Dallas, Nodaway Valley, and Corning as being the chief rivals for the Warhawk boys.

The first girls' and boys' varsity basketball games will be held November 30th, against Grandview Park Baptist at 6:30 p.m. in Liberty Center.

The wrestling team is looking for a bright season filled with a wide variety of goals and expectations. "Sportsmanship," said Coach Dave Ripperger, "is the main goal we are looking at." Other goals set for the season include fifteen dual victories and a season without anyone quitting or becoming ineligible. The wrestlers' expectations are getting three of the team's wrestlers to the State Wrestling Tournament, and getting one place winner. Assistant Coach Jason Walter said, "It's exciting to see returning wrestlers and newcomers." There will be eleven returning varsity letter winners and many new wrestlers added to this year's squad. Coach Ripperger stated that he is looking forward to just getting back in the swing of things. The first meet for the Warhawks will be November 30th at 6:00 p.m. against Twin Cedars and Moravia at Moravia.



Wrap-up to Warhawk Fall Athletics

By Mandy Kimzey, SEW Gr. 10

Although it may seem as if school just started and fall just began, it is time to close the doors to a wonderful fall season of intense competition. The fall season consisted of cross-country, football, and volleyball.

The cross-country team was coached by Jason Walter who had this to say about the team, "We socialize with each other, not just run together. We talk about things and have a good time. It's wonderful." Walter recalls that the team this season always pushed each other to their limits. "The team had a lot of inexperienced runners, but all of them did a fine job representing Southeast Warren," said Coach Walter. He also stated that every runner improved their times and showed overall improvement.

The Warhawk football team began their season very well with a 2-0 record, defeating Des Moines Christian and East Union. With a wide variety of tough competition, the Warhawks ended the season with a 3-6 record. Coach Matt Oliver believes that one of the highlights of the season was playing Earlham, a playoff contender, and only losing 7-6. "The kids worked hard from start to finish," states Oliver, "They showed enthusiasm and spirit, and always gave a great effort. We are looking forward to a great season next year."

The volleyball team ended their season with a 5-15 record and finished 3rd in the eastern part of the Pride of Iowa Conference. Coach Nick Dicks recalls that one of the highlights of the season was beating Albia in the first game of the Chariton Tournament. The Warhawk girls had a three-match winning streak at the end of the season. "The second half of the season was better," said Coach Dicks. "We won several matches and improved a lot."

As we get ready for the cold winter weather, we put behind these activities and look ahead to winter athletics.

Breakfast and Lunch Menu for December 2004

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Eggs/Toast	Muffin	Pizza
		Christmas Dinner 1	Hot dog/ Bun Green Beans Fruit 2	Crispito Corn Fruit Bread & Butter 3
Pastry	Waffles	Eggs/Toast	French Toast	Sausage Gravy/Biscuit
Mac & Cheese Peas Fruit Peanut Butter Sandwich 6	Chicken & Noodles Mashed potatoes Fruit Hot roll 7	Sloppy Joe/Bun French Fries Fruit Bar 8	Cook's Choice 9	Ham/Bun Chips Frest Fruit 10
Pastry	Pancakes	Eggs/Toast	Muffin	Pizza
Cheeseburger/bun Tator tots Fruit 13	Lasagna Lettuce salad Fruit Texas toast 14	BBQ beef/bun Mixed veg. Fruit Pudding 15	Cook's Choice 1:15 Dismissal 16	Grilled cheese sandwich Fresh veg. Fruit Cookie 17
Pastry	Waffles	Eggs/Toast		
Pizza Green beans Fruit 20	Chili/crackers Pickle spear Applesauce Cinnamon roll 21	Cook's choice 2:15 Dismissal 22	No School 23	No School 24
No School 27	No School 28	No School 29	No School 30	No School 31

LUNCH PRICES

	<u>K-6</u>	<u>7-12</u>	<u>Reduced</u>	<u>Adult</u>
Single	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.60	\$.40	\$2.50
Weekly	\$ 7.50	\$ 8.00	\$2.00	
Monthly	\$30.00	\$32.00	\$8.00	

BREAKFAST PRICES

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Reduced</u>	<u>Adult</u>
Single	\$ 1.00	\$.30	\$1.25
Weekly	\$ 5.00	\$1.50	
Monthly	\$20.00	\$6.00	

- All breakfasts served with juice and milk
- All lunches served with milk
- Menus are subject to change
- All money deposited in your family account may be used for lunch and breakfast at any building.

These prices are guidelines. You may deposit any amount into your family account.

**Southeast Warren Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
October 11, 2004**

The Southeast Warren Board of Education met in regular session October 11, 2004 in the technology center of the Junior/Senior High School building. Board President John Burrell called the meeting to order at 7: 04 p.m. The following board members were present: Chris Hardy, Jennifer Birchette and Chris Wadle. Ron Miller arrived at 7:06 p.m. Superintendent Carl Reno, Intermediate Principal Cindy Butler, Primary Principal Charlotte Weaklend and Board Secretary Julie Wilson were also in attendance, along with members of the community.

AGENDA: Motion by Chris Hardy, seconded by Jennifer Birchette to approve the agenda. Ayes: 4.

VISITORS: Corey Frank, from Warren County Environmental Health, and Nicole Cannon, Heartland RC&D Administrator, presented information concerning the sale of the lagoon to the County. Corey related that he had been authorized by the Board of Supervisors to offer a separate contract to waive the user fee for the lagoon if the district agrees to mow the lagoon a minimum of three to five times per year. The district would be responsible for any costs associated with problems originating from the building. User fees will cover ongoing maintenance of the lagoon, so Southeast Warren would not be responsible for any maintenance costs for the lagoon in the future.

REPORTS:

Transportation report submitted by Joel Mosher:

1. I am getting ready for inspection on November 2nd.
2. The routes have not changed too much; they are starting around 6:45 to 6:55 and ending at the schools at 7:35 to 7:50 to leave for shuttles. The average route has approximately 40 students and shuttles are about 45 students per bus. I would also like to say that the principals have rode two routes apiece. This gave them a better idea of what the routes are and where some of the students live.
3. We are sharing a van with Melcher-Dallas for transportation to Des Moines.
4. The new bus is here, I'm working on getting it in service.

Primary Principal's report submitted by Charlotte Weaklend:

1. Third grade MAP testing has been completed. Over the last three testing periods, third graders showed strong performance in geometry, statistics/data analysis/ and probability, literal comprehension, and inferential/ interpretive comprehension. Areas of concern have been mathematics computation, reading strategies/word meanings, and basic grammar/usage.

2. The first of three DIBELS testing has begun for grades kindergarten thru 3rd grades. This reading test measures letter naming fluency, initial sound fluency, phonemic segmentation, nonsense word fluency, and oral reading fluency. This year, 2nd and 5th grade teachers are piloting an additional DIBELS test of retell skills. This is a measure of reading comprehension - a designated area of needed improvement for our district. All DIBELS testing is done one-on-one by classroom teachers. It is an important measure of progress for beginning reading skills, the results of which will be shared with parents during parent-teacher conferences.

3. The Primary building has established several committees consisting of teachers and support personnel to develop policy and prepare for events scheduled at the school. The Discipline Committee that I mentioned in last month's report is still meeting on a regular basis to finalize discipline procedures and policy. The Math Night committee has set November 16th from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. for their event - the first of its kind in our building. Students and their parents will come to school that evening to play teacher-directed games and learn ways in which they can interact to reinforce math skills at home. Each parent-child team will be taking away with them a kit that includes hands-on activities suitable for use at home. A St. Jude's Hospital Math-a-thon has been scheduled as a follow-up of the math night for the week of November 22nd. The Accelerated Reader Committee has established guidelines for this year's 2nd and 3rd grade accelerated reader program and begun planning the reward parties here at school for students completing their reading goals. The Character Education Committee will be meeting soon to determine how our character education program can be improved. The Reading Night Committee and the Friendship Fair Committee will be meeting in the spring as their events approach.

4. Topics to be covered at monthly meetings of the newly-formed Warren County Elementary Principals' Network includes: parent involvement, court orders & restraining orders, bullying, character education, discipline, teacher evaluation, modified calendars, summer school, 504 issues, interventions for at-risk students, report cards, staff development, SAMART, and para educator goals. The group will be meeting for approximately two hours in Indianola, Truro, Martensdale-St Mary's, S.E. Warren, and Norwalk respectively. On February 16th, I will be hosting the meeting in the Primary building. At that particular meeting we will share and discuss functional and comprehensive elementary report cards. This is a great vehicle for elementary principals to gain knowledge, share ideas and brainstorm solutions to problems each of us tackle in our own districts.

5. One of my goals for this year is to provide regular, ongoing inservice for our teacher associates. Regular monthly meetings are being held in the media center to discuss discipline, policies and procedures, scheduling, confidentiality, etc. Concerns are discussed and addressed. Teachers are scheduled to cover for one-on-one associates during these meetings. Sherry Thompson and Sherry McMordy from the AEA are scheduled to address roles and responsibilities, confidentiality, and behavior management with K-12 teacher associates on November 18th during our teacher inservice.

Intermediate Principal's report submitted by Cindy Butler:

1. The new student management system, JMC, was used to produce mid-term reports. The system worked well and is set to produce report cards at the end of the month. The mid-terms and report cards are formatted differently than the reports used in the past. A committee of teachers worked with me to get things set up to best meet our needs.

2. The early out last month was devoted to using a research based reading strategy. Elementary teachers worked together to think of ways to use the strategy. The teachers have been meeting in teams to discuss the use of the strategy and will demonstrate for each other at remaining inservices and staff meetings. The process of collaboration, demonstration, and practice follows the Iowa Professional Development Model.

3. The Iowa Tests of Basic Skills will be taken the first part of November. Each test will be bar-coded with student

information. Luann is working on getting the necessary information ready.

4. MAP testing is completed. Administrators will look at data this week and we will go over the data with our teachers. Individual student results will be available at parent teacher conferences.

5. We have received notification from the state department that our fourth graders have been selected to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress, or NAEP. NAEP is used to track state-by-state comparisons of trends in students' achievement in elementary and secondary schools and in the performance of all students over time. We are scheduled to take the assessment on January 31.

6. Mrs. Cooper and I are meeting with Junior High ELP kids once a week. Their first project is to get recycling started at the jr/sr high school.

Secondary Principal's report submitted by Terry Gladfelder:

Homecoming – Mr. Ripperger and the Student Council are to be commended for their planning and organization of this year's Homecoming. My perspective is that participation has improved each year by the students. Many favorable comments from students, teachers, and community were received.

MAP Testing - Testing has been completed and we are already receiving results. We will be distributing the results through our Colorguard groups and teaching our students how to interpret their data. This MAP report will have last year's and this year's data. Students will now begin to see their strengths and weaknesses. It will also provide the staff with good information on our progress and areas of needed improvement. Further data will be presented next month.

D/F List – Below is a chart comparing the D/F list over the past three years. There has been a significant drop in the number of F's from last year. Last year there were 70 F's this year there were 30 F's. The D list did grow by 10 from last year (128-138). The number of total students on either list dropped by 10 (108-98). I am encouraged by this initial report. (Celebrate the successes!)

Senior Study Hall –

Court Liaison Officer: A written report was submitted by the Court Liaison Officer

summarizing the daily activity during the months of August and September.

CONSENT AGENDA: The following items were on the consent agenda:

1. September 13, 2004, regular meeting minutes
2. September 27, 2004, special meeting minutes
3. Financial reports
4. Second reading of Board Policy Sections 800, "Business Procedures," 801, "Budget," 802, "Income," and 803, "Expenditures"

Motion by Jennifer Birchette, seconded by Ron Miller to approve the items on the consent agenda. Ayes: 5.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Superintendent Carl Reno reported on the following items:

1. A request has been received to pick up students in the west part of Lacona. According to policy, we are no longer picking up students on regular routes in Milo or Lacona. Students living in town are transported only on the shuttles.
2. The new bus has been delivered. The oldest bus on the routes will have 180,000 miles by the end of the school year. The Board should consider staying on some sort of rotation for replacing buses.
3. Tentative bids have been received for the siding, gutter and roof of the Lacona gymnasium. The consensus of the Board was to authorize the Superintendent to go ahead and order the materials from the lowest bidder if there is someone to provide the labor.
4. A meeting has been scheduled for tomorrow with Tom Dannen, Melcher-Dallas Superintendent, to work on the 2005-06 school calendar.
5. As of the end of September, 25% of the school year is over with only 20% of the budget being expended. Superintendent Carl Reno strongly recommended using any available money for textbook purchases.
6. The computer system for the heating system at Liberty Center needs to be repaired or replaced. The consensus of the Board was to proceed with repairs.
7. A bid has been received for materials to repair the preschool and bus barn roof. The roof is leaking and will soon need to be repaired.
8. The Amish will start working on the roof of the vocational building tomorrow.
9. A transition meeting has been scheduled for October 29th with Harold Hulleman. Any board members who would like to attend are welcome to do so.

DISTRICT-WIDE HANDBOOK: Motion by Ron Miller, seconded by Chris Hardy to approve the 2004-2005 district-wide handbook as printed. Ayes: 5.

CERTIFIED ANNUAL REPORT: Julie Wilson gave a brief review of the Certified Annual Report for the period ending June 30, 2004.

SCHOOL ELECTION: Julie Wilson presented the official results of the regular school election. The results were as follows:

Director District 5 (term 9-04 to 9-07)

Christopher Wadle - 82 votes

Write-In/Scattering - 2 votes

President John Burrell adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The organizational meeting of the Southeast Warren Board of Education was called to order at 8:14 p.m. by President John Burrell. The following board members were present: Jennifer Birchette, Chris Wadle, Chris Hardy and Ron Miller. Superintendent Carl Reno, Intermediate Principal Cindy Butler, Primary Principal Charlotte Weakland, and Board Secretary Julie Wilson were in attendance, along with members of the community.

AGENDA: Motion by Chris Hardy, seconded by Ron Miller to approve the agenda. Ayes: 5.

OATH OF OFFICE: Julie Wilson administered the oath of office to Chris Wadle.

ELECT PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT: Board Secretary Julie Wilson called for nominations for President. Chris Hardy nominated John Burrell. Jennifer Birchette nominated Ron Miller. Motion by Chris Wadle, seconded by Ron Miller for nominations to cease. Ayes: 5. Chris Wadle, Jennifer Birchette and John Burrell cast votes for Ron Miller. Chris Hardy and Ron Miller cast votes for John Burrell. Ron Miller was elected President.

President Miller called for nominations for Vice-President. Jennifer Birchette nominated John Burrell. Motion by Chris Wadle, seconded by Chris Hardy for nominations to cease. Ayes: 5. John Burrell was elected Vice-President.

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Board Secretary Julie Wilson administered the oath of office for President to Ron Miller and for Vice-President to John Burrell.

VOCAL TRIP TO NEW YORK: Lynnea Young requested approval from the Board for a vocal trip to New York during spring break of 2006. The trip will cost students \$700 per person plus spending money. The students will be doing fund raising to earn money for the trip. Motion by Jennifer Birchette, seconded by Chris Hardy to approve the 2006 vocal trip to New York. Ayes: 5.

WARREN COUNTY CONFERENCE BOARD: John Burrell volunteered to serve as Warren County Conference Board representative.

CHILDREN FIRST FORUM: Ron Miller volunteered to serve as Children First Forum representative.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS: Chris Hardy volunteered to serve as Athletic Boosters representative.

FINE ARTS BOOSTERS: Jennifer Birchette volunteered to serve as Fine Arts Boosters representative.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SIGNATURE ON CHECKING ACCOUNTS: Julie Wilson reported to the Board that all checks are to be signed by the Board President and Board Secretary. A resolution is required in order for someone other than the Board President to sign checks. Motion by Jennifer Birchette, seconded by Chris Wadle to approve LuAnn Ohnemus to sign Activity Fund checks and Sue Ellingson to sign Lunch Fund checks. Ayes: 5.

PERSONNEL CHANGES: Recommendations were made for the following personnel changes: The resignations of Matt Oliver, Assistant HS Boys' Track Coach; and Tim Cerwinski, Assistant HS Boys' Basketball Coach; and the appointments of Tim Cerwinski, Co-Head HS Girls' Basketball Coach; Mike Tiereny, Co-Head HS Girls' Basketball Coach; Phil Oliver, Head JH Boys' Basketball Coach and Assistant HS Boys' Track Coach; Don Newbury, Assistant HS Girls' Track Coach; Paulette Mott, HS Cheerleading Advisor; Penney Arey, HS Softball Coach; and Darrell Pottebaum, HS Baseball Coach. Consideration was also asked to be given to add a position for the Color Guard program. Willis

VanderLinden has agreed to reduce his supplemental band salary by 2% in order to hire an advisor for the Color Guard program. Motion by Chris Wadle, seconded by Jennifer Birchette to approve the personnel changes as presented. Ayes: 5.

FFA TRIP: The FFA requested permission from the Board to attend the FFA National Convention in Louisville on October 26th-30th. Motion by John Burrell, seconded by Chris Hardy to approve the FFA trip to the National Convention. Ayes: 5.

FCCLA TRIPS: The FCCLA requested permission from the Board to attend the 2004 National Cluster meetings in Omaha, Nebraska on November 12-14, and Nashville, Tennessee on November 19-21. Up to five students may attend each meeting. The students will be fundraising to supplement chapter costs for the trips. Motion by Jennifer Birchette, seconded by Chris Hardy to approve the FCCLA trips to Omaha, Nebraska and Nashville, Tennessee. Ayes: 5.

CERTIFIED ENROLLMENT: Julie Wilson reviewed the 2004 certified enrollment figures. The September 2004 certified enrollment is down 14.9 students from the prior year. Open enrollment out is up 2.2 students and open enrollment in is up 7.1 students from the prior year.

SBRC REQUEST FOR MODIFIED ALLOWABLE GROWTH: Motion by John Burrell, seconded by Chris Wadle to approve the request to the SBRC for modified allowable growth for open enrollment out students not on the previous year's certified enrollment count for whom tuition will be paid in the current year in the maximum amount allowed. Ayes: 5.

AT-RISK BUDGET: Superintendent Carl Reno reviewed the proposed At-Risk budget for the 2005-2006 school year. Motion by Chris Hardy, seconded by Jennifer Birchette to approve the At-Risk budget. Ayes: 5.

HOURS OF ELECTION POLLS: Superintendent Carl Reno recommended changing the hours of the polls to 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. instead of the current hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to save on election costs. Motion by Jennifer Birchette, seconded by Chris Wadle to change the hours of the polls to 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ayes: 5.

SUNRISE SUNSET CHILD CARE PROGRAM: Charlotte Weaklend related we currently

have two students enrolled in the 4-year-old day care program on a full time basis and two students on a part time basis. Expenses for wages for the all day care program exceeds the fees paid by those currently enrolled by \$144 per week. It may now be time to reevaluate the wisdom of operating the 4-year-old program. The consensus of the Board was to take a look at the daycare program again in December to see if enrollment numbers have increased. If enrollment is not up in December, the program may have to be suspended.

LAGOON AGREEMENT: Superintendent Carl Reno recommended approving the following resolution concerning use and mowing of the lagoon after the sale to the County: The Board of Education agrees to the terms set forth by the Board of Supervisors regarding the sale of the lagoon located on Southeast Warren land. There are to be no user charges to the said district and the district agrees to mow the lagoon area as needed. Motion by Jennifer Birchette, seconded by Chris Hardy to approve the agreement as stated by Superintendent Carl Reno. Ayes: 5.

BOARD MEMBER TRAINING: Superintendent Carl Reno related that there are several opportunities coming up for board training. The IASB Board Leadership Conference will be held on October 29th, the IASB District Meetings will be held during the month of October, and the IASB Convention will be held on November 18-19th. If any board member is interested in attending any of the events, contact Julie Wilson to register.

BOARD POLICIES: Motion by Chris Wadle, seconded by John Burrell to approve the review of Board Policy Sections 804, "Reports," 805, "Records," and 806, "Insurance." Ayes: 5.

President Ron Miller adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.