



# Husky Happenings

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## Rocking the Stage

By Levi Alsup

The Fall Choir and Band Concert offered a spectacular soundtrack to kick off the school year, offering mellow tones of brass and woodwinds with the breathtaking precision of vocal harmonies.

On Oct. 23rd, Mrs. Lowrimore held a Band and Choir concert in the cafeteria. The performers lit up the stage offering lots of stunning songs. And as many may be thinking, Sherman County has a choir? Yes, Mrs. Lowrimore introduced choir to our school this year! The choir consists of four dedicated individuals; Trysten Lofthouse, Vivian Rolfe, Madison Cranston, and Levi Alsup. They worked hard for a solid two months for this concert, and overall had a very successful performance.

After the concert a few individuals who were a part of the band were interviewed with some words of reflection. When I asked about the choir, Diego Ambriz responded with, "I enjoyed the concert because I wanted to see the choir that ended up performing very well!"

As for the concert itself, Sarah Tolentino responded with, "I enjoyed the concert because I thought it was interesting, especially now having both a choir and a band." And to round the concert off, the band delivered a stunning performance of the "Halloween Theme Song" to kick off the Halloween spirit.



Just before the choir takes the stage to kick off the concert, Mrs. Lowrimore directs the band as they warm up for the concert. Both the choir and the band rehearsed previously in the day. Approximately 95 people attend including performers, who all sit excitedly, ready for the concert to begin!



The kids, Haisley Braseth, Natalie Macnab, Baylor Danielson, Vince Weedman, Kyle Kock, Jameson Rolfe, Kennon Cranston and Gillian Moore standing in front of the crowd while the judges pick the overall winner.

## Halloween Assembly K-5

By Hannah Mendoza

On October 30th, the school had a Halloween assembly for the K-5 kids where all their classes wore their costumes and each individual class walked around the judges. After the judges had consulted with each other, the people who got called up were Haisley Braseth from Kindergarten as Winifred from Hocus Pocus, Natalie Macnab from 1st grade as a campfire roasting marshmallows, Baylor Danielson from 2nd grade as a scarecrow, Vince Weedman from 3rd grade as the invisible man, Kyle Kock from 4th grade as a portapotty, and Gilly Moore, Kennan Cranston, and Jameson Rolfe from 5th grade as the characters from Top Gun.

It was later on decided that Kyle Kock won the whole thing. Kyle said that he was very happy to win the costume contest for elementary. He also included that many people, when he was trick or treating, complimented his costume!



The judges, Addison Smith, Allison Rolfe, Mary Lou Martin, Craig Wood, and Deanna Christiansen judging the 3rd grade class.

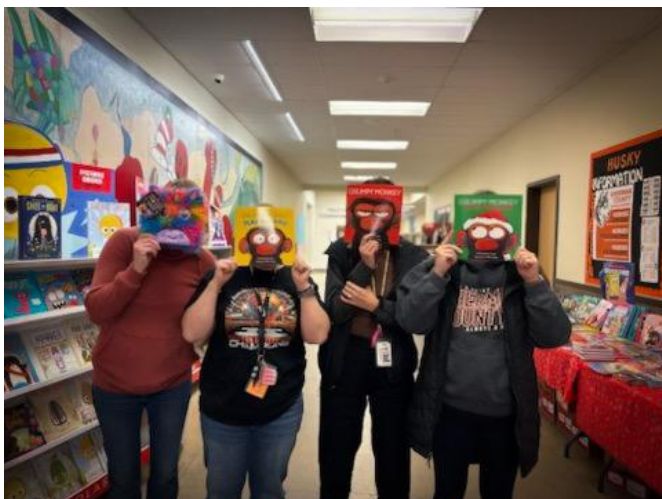


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## K-12 Book Fair

By: Skyler Arnell



Mrs. Macnab, Mrs. Tionie, Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Martin, showing some of the K-5 books and showing off some of the emotion faces on the book!

Normally, during fall conferences, the school hosts a K-5 Book Fair. This year, Ms. Rhodes-Baker and Mrs. Macnab have added High School and Middle School in addition to the elementary book fair.

Ms. Rhodes-Baker ran into many problems while organizing the book fair as she said, "I've run into many challenges and problems throughout this process, and to overcome them I just have to keep going, keep pushing, and always look for opportunities in every situation."

During the interview, Ms. Rhodes-Baker stated that she hopes to see more students reading and finding books that bring them joy, and she hopes to see an increase in the reading scores. Mrs. Macnab and Ms. Rhodes-Baker hope you enjoyed the new addition to this year's book fair and "We hope to see you again next year."

## K-5 Quarter 1 Awards

By Marie Susi

The K-5 Quarter 1 Awards honored many kindergarten through 5th grade students. Most of the awards were for academic skills, including math, reading, writing, and spelling ability.

Teachers selected students who showed all the three school rules and have stood out compared to the other students. Nancy Orendorff was awarded Student of the Quarter which is awarded to one student who shows all school rules and stood out and was responsible for that quarter. Good Job, Nancy!!

Another cool part of the assembly was the husky ticket drawing that we always do. Each grade has their own bucket of husky tickets that kids have to earn to put in the jar and pick a prize!



Nancy Orendorff, in kindergarten, holding her first ever Student of the Quarter certificate after the assembly.





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## The National FFA Convention

**By Arwen Dorzab**

BBRIINGGG! BBRIINGGG! BBRIINGGG! Nels Swenson's alarm clock rang as he groggily rubbed the sleep from his eyes only to see that it was, in fact, 1:00 am. Now, you might be wondering why Mr. Swenson was getting up so early on Sunday October 26. The reason being that he was about to bravely lead 13 high-school students across the country.

Nels Swenson and Kara Lanthorn accompanied thirteen lucky FFA members from small town Sherman County to the City of Music, Nashville, Tennessee. From there, they took a little road trip up to Kentucky and then to their final stop - Indianapolis, Indiana. Some of the most memorable destinations on the trip were the Grand Ole Opry, the Louisville Slugger Museum, The Country Music Hall of Fame, National Corvette Museum, a stop at Buc-ee's, an NBA game and finally - Evan Lancaster's favorite part of the trip - "the Louisville Bat Museum and seeing how the bats were made."

"My favorite part was probably the shopping," Haley Blagg remarked. The final destination of the trip was the 98th National FFA Convention where about 73,000 people from all over the country met up.



After attempting to stop at the Mammoth Caves in Kentucky but being unable to enter due to the government shutdown, they tried to find a different cave to check out but found this giant statue of Yogi instead. From left to right: Nels Swenson, Kara Lanthorn, Lilly Foyen, Haley Blagg, T'Sharra Lanthorn, Evan Lancaster, Payton Burnett, Emma Sampson, Jacob Lanthorn, Trysten Lofthouse, Rylee Norris, Creed Weedman, Allison Nerdin, Arwen Dorzab, and Madysen Kemp.



Nels Swenson, the proud advisor, and Sawyer Baker, the first in 46 years to get his American Degree.

This is the second time that the Sherman County FFA chapter has gone to National Convention, under Mr. Swenson's lead, the last time being in 2024. When at convention, they attended the sessions where there were awards, skits, and motivational speakers. A'ric Jackson, one of the motivational speakers, seemed to really resonate with our FFA members. T'Sharra Lanthorn mentioned that she, "found his message inspiring" and reminded her to, "not listen to the haters."

The whole reason that they were even able to make this trip was because Sawyer Baker, a Sherman County Alumnus from 2024, was awarded the FFA American Degree. Sherman County's last American Degree recipient was 46 years ago. The American Degree is the highest award an FFA member can receive. Before Sawyer could receive his American Degree, he first had to acquire his State Degree, spend 3 years in agriculture education, have good grades, and have invested both his time and money in the FFA organization along with many other smaller requirements. This was quite the accomplishment and we are proud to claim Sawyer as one of our own.



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## Vending Machines

By Irene Ghirardello

'YES!' was the student common answer to the question: Should the school have vending machines?

After a long wait by students, this could be finally happening. Vending machines might finally come to our high school.

If this project is approved, students can expect to see them installed on the wall next to the high school gym, in front of the entrance.

For years, students have voiced a strong desire for more accessible snack options during the day. Marlie Johnston, a senior, voiced the opinion of many, noting that vending machines would be useful for buying not only snacks but especially drinks and sodas.

"I think it would be nice," she said last Tuesday. "Especially if you're unable to eat breakfast or need something real quick but it's not lunch or snack time."

"A lot of kids have wanted to have them for a long time, and it would be something fun to have in our school," said Addison Smith, the student leading the initiative.

The project is a collaborative project between Addison Smith and her leadership teacher Mrs. Petersen. "It's a good effort but there's a lot of details I didn't think about, laws that we have to follow," admitted the teacher.

Laws provide that if the vending machines compete against school lunch, they must follow school's guidelines, which consists of not having as many sugary or unhealthy snacks.



Addison Smith stands in the Event Center foyer where the vending machine will be located.

"We'll probably have more information at the end of second quarter," said Mrs. Petersen.

Everyone is excited about this possibility, no one would say 'NO!' to snacks.



Colton Holliday and Austen Alsop dressed as cheerleaders for the Volleyball Cheers Assembly

## Volleyball Cheers Assembly

By Diego Ambriz

"O-U-T, OUT!!!" yelled the whole school. Everyone at the assembly was excited for the volleyball game.

This assembly was set up for a certain reason. We as students didn't know how to cheer at volleyball games!

Allison came up with the idea of making this assembly. She thought we weren't excited enough for games. Therefore she decided to look for some cheerleaders. "I mostly had to find people who would be willing to be a cheerleader, and fortunately, I did find some" said Allison.

One of these cheerleaders turned out to be Caiden, a senior playing football for possibly the last time in his life.

"Dressing up as a cheerleader was fun and brought me good memories," Caiden said joyfully. "These cheers are real nice to remember during games, and they seem to work to hype up the crowd," he explained.

Everyone from now on that goes to the games better be cheering loudly!