

Saints Spotlight

GRAFTON MIDDLE SCHOOL SECOND QUARTER HONOR ROLL

The Honor Roll is divided into two divisions. The Select Honor Roll consists of students with a 3.5 or better grade average. Second division is a straight Honor Roll for students with a 3.0 - 3.4 grade average.

Select Honor Roll

Eighth Grade
Kim Diedrich, Jana Osmonson and Jennifer Thurnau.

Seventh Grade

Amy Brown, Carmen Dohler, Lindsey Falk, Angela Horgen, Annie Lafferty, Bridget Mayer, Ara Peterson, Melissa Slaichert.

Honor Roll

Eighth Grade
Shawne Donahue, Rachel Hinman, Mike Hinton, Kara Horgen, Angie Neuman, Brendan Steffensen.

Seventh Grade

Tammy Cox, Amy Dahl, John Drieks, Heather Hannan, Jamey Kruger, Ryan Klaahsen, Robyn Mayer, JoAnn Patterson, Michael Reshetar, Beth Scripture, Lori Zosulis.



THIRTEEN GRADUATE EARLY

An unusual number of students this year have decided to graduate early. In recent years, there have been maybe three or four, if even that, who chose to leave high school after the first semester is completed. The requirement for early graduates is that they must have 40 credits and they must have a passing grade in government, a class which all seniors are required to take. The majority of these early graduates plan to work in order to earn money before going to college. A few are undecided about a further education, however, a couple of these students are already attending college. Early graduates are, back row, left to right, Steve Thome, Brian Petznick, Wade Buntrock, Steve Bruggeman, Voun Hansen, Andy Buechele and Damian Thome. Front row, Kara Rust, Kathy Johanns, Shawn Kittleson, Mary Coronado, Justine Hanson and Becky Gonnerman.

Photo by Roberta Mauer

total of twelve students. The students use their computer as a typewriter. They do not use books, but they take down a lot of notes. The students learn to compute math type problems and make tables to numbered information.

—Linda Blake

FFA SKI TRIP

Monday, January 26, 18 FFA members traveled to Afton Alps to go skiing. They left in the morning and returned at about 9 p.m. Everyone had fun. Some people were returning veterans and others were first time skiers.

—Linda Blake

STUDENTS SPEAK OUT

Since almost one-third of the senior class chose to graduate early this year, I decided to find out what other seniors and underclassmen thought about the idea of graduating early.

Most seniors feel that their senior year is going too fast anyway and that leaving early would make it very short. There are many advantages and disadvantages to each side.

A student may want to graduate early to get a job so that they can earn money before going to college. In fact, a couple of early graduates from the 1987 class have already started college now so they may finish their education sooner to start their career. One senior commented, "After this year we're out on our own and it's pretty scary, but I think I'm ready." Another senior said that it would be difficult leaving all your friends. "It's going to be different going away to college, meeting all new people, and leaving friends who will all go their separate ways too," expressed one student.

In future years will there be just as many early graduates? Most sophomores and juniors are not actually overjoyed while doing their homework, but not many thought they would graduate early. However, they are not faced with college expenses or getting ready to be out on their own within the next five months like most seniors are having to deal with right now. "High school is supposed to be some of the best years of your life, so why actually leave before you have to," commented one sophomore.

Opinions vary quite a bit. Each person has different plans as they are getting ready to leave school, and some of those might be to get ahead start in life. But most people would rather finish out their last year and make the best of it before they have to go in to the real world.

—Nancy May

EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Grafton Blue Devils lost a close game to North Central of Manly January 22 in Plymouth. Final score was an upsetting, 38-40.

Shane Kruse had 14 points, nine rebounds, two assists and five steals. Kara Horgen had 13 points, three assists, three steals. Cyndi Belz had 9 points, four assists, three steals. Emily Schmidt had 2 points and one assist. Jenny Thurnau and Kim Diedrich saw action in the forward court.

Defensively, Denise Heimer had seven rebounds and seven assists; Tricia Clausen had four rebounds and two steals. Amber Alden had five rebounds and two steals. Doris Scripture also saw action.

—Monica Hanna

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SPRING BARROW SHOW

This week on February 5, 6 and 7, the annual Spring Barrow Show will be held in Albert Lea, Minn. at the fairgrounds. The show encourages high quality hog production, and gives students the opportunity to visit with people in the hog industry. The judging contest will be February 7. The students will be showing their hogs for cash awards and trophies.

There will be four students representing St. Ansgar in the hog judging contest. The four students participating in the judging contest will be Doug Grady, Mark Krebsbach, Jeff Whalen and Brad Mayer. Each student will bring a pen of three, and an individual barrow to be judged on their live characteristics.

—Linda Blake

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COMPUTER OVERLOAD

Because of the large amount of students who signed up for the Introduction to Computers course, Charles Strandberg offered to drop a woodworking class to teach a computer class.

Strandberg says he is very excited to be teaching this class and he says he would like to teach this class in the future is his help is needed.

Strandberg's computer class is held during the third period. He has a

SPEECH CONTEST

The District Large Group Speech Contest was held Saturday, January 24 at the Osage high school.

There were six people that received a division I rating in the category of Ensemble Acting. These people include Jennifer Brumm, Matt Wilde, Jill Osmonson, Heather Hanson, Fran Kramer and Pam Hatten. A



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Norman Kolberg is the superintendent of the Riceville schools, and is acting as temporary superintendent/administrative assistant of the St. Ansgar schools during Mr. Jensen's absence. Mr. Kolberg is a friend of Mr. Jensen and is going to help out until he can return to work. They are setting their goal for July 1. If Mr. Jensen can't come back then, Mr. Kolberg will continue to act as superintendent until he is able to return. St. Ansgar and Riceville are the two largest school districts in the state of Iowa that share a superintendent.

Mr. Kolberg plans to meet with all of the cooks, bus drivers, custodians,

teachers, principals and secretaries and get to know them and where they work in the school district.

Mr. Kolberg is what you might call an administrative assistant. He advises the school board, is a representative of the board to all of the people that work in the school district, and most importantly, he enforces what the board says. All the payroll is done in the superintendent's office, also.

Mr. Kolberg will be working at the St. Ansgar schools on Monday and Wednesday, all day, and Friday morning. On Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoon, he will be at the Riceville schools.

—Cindy Blake
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blocks and four assists; Neil Hansen, four rebounds, one steal; Chris Patterson, one rebound, one block, three assists, one steal; Bret Luense, one assist, one steal; Erin Brown, 3 points, one rebound; Paul Havlovic, 2 points, one rebound; Jason Leidall, one rebound.

—Monica Hanna

ST. ANSGAR SCHOOL LUNCH MENU FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9-13

Monday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic toast, corn, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Wiener winks, baked beans, pineapple, monster cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Submarine sandwich, celery sticks, lettuce with dressing, cherry bar, milk.

Thursday: Chili with crackers, cornbread, carrot coins, jello with fruit, sandwich, milk.

Friday: Chicken fried steak on bun, green beans, fruit cocktail, sunshine bar, milk.

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PROM MEETING

January 26, a prom meeting was held in the high school commons area by the junior class officers for the juniors and their parents.

Groups of food, entertainment, and decoration committees were organized and the plans for Prom 1987 were started.

—Monica Hanna

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FRESHMEN BASKETBALL

January 22, Saints girls freshmen basketball team competed against Northwood in a home game. Saints won, 50 to 42.

Franny Kramer had a total of 22 points; Tracy Dohler, 17. Dohler also made three steals. Defensively, Jodie Johanns had three steals and one rebound.

—Linda Blake

Magistrate Court News

Clerk of Court - Scheduled Violations

Kenneth Krull, Riceville, improper plate display, \$38.00; William Lanner of Sheffield, over weight, \$34.15; Delmar Wehking, Blooming Prairie, Minn., unsafe vehicle, \$38.75, no trip permit, \$33.00.

Ralph Grimm, Osage, speeding, \$33.00; Maurice Kleckner of St. Ansgar, failure to control, \$33.00; Jayne Martin, Rochester, Minn., speeding, \$56.00.

Alan Miller of Clarksville, speeding, \$33.00; Myrtle Linkenmeyer of Riceville, speeding, \$56.00; Randall Greenslade, Harmony, Minn., speeding, \$33.00; Howard Thorsen, Osage, speeding, \$33.00.

Magistrate Court

Mark Bartz, Grafton, fifth degree theft, \$135.00; Todd Bauer, Lyle,

News From The County Care Facility

By Karen Niichel

We have been busy decorating our home with all signs of love, hearts and cupid, for Valentine's Day. We will be voting for the 1987 king and queen with the crowning on February 13.

Richard Colbertson, Ruth Jurrens, Vera Boerjan, Wally Springer and Dean Wolff enjoyed dinner out for pizza. We played hand and foot, yatzee and bingo with the ladies from the United Methodist church, New Haven, St. Peter church, and the Wa-Tan-Ye club. In school they have been studying the western states with films and discussion. In Story Hour, we started reading a book of short stories, telling the difference between city and country living. Each resident wrote their own autobiography and shared it with everyone in discussion group. In Arts and Crafts we are busy doing several individual and craft projects.

Howard and Maude Lewis of Orchard stopped for a visit with Mildred Williams. Keith Funk joined the men for an afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Lively of Waterloo took Les Haynes out for the afternoon. Bud Stromleys brother dropped by, and Mrs. Cockrum and Connie Pint joined Edith Noble for a visit.

During the Christmas season we sold chances on a king size quilt, to purchase a nativity set for the home. We are happy to announce Rose Nickerson won the quilt. The United Church of Christ ladies furnished monthly birthday cakes, Harlen and Irene Gauger shared devotions.

MODEL A

Lester Gray of Winterset is the proud owner of a 1929 Model A Ford Roadster he purchased brand new off the assembly line at the Ford Motor Co. plant in Des Moines. He paid \$518 for the machine. Gray has the distinction of being one of the few original owners of an antique car. He still has his original 1929 plates, owner's instructions, log booklet for grease jobs, and other items that came with the car.

WATCHMAKER

Clarence Longenecker, at age 94, continues to operate his jewelry store where he has repaired watches and clocks in Winterset for the past 40 years. The self-taught watchmaker started as the first barber in Winterset and tinkered with alarm clocks that were not working properly. Now six days a week customers come from miles around for repairs on their timepieces.

MORE WAYS TO SAVE...

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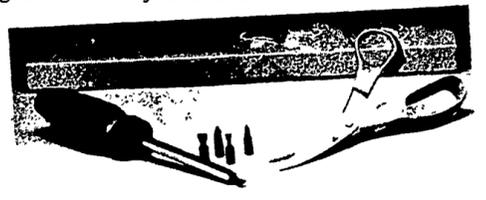
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