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Korean War Veterans Receive “Ambassador for Peace” Medals

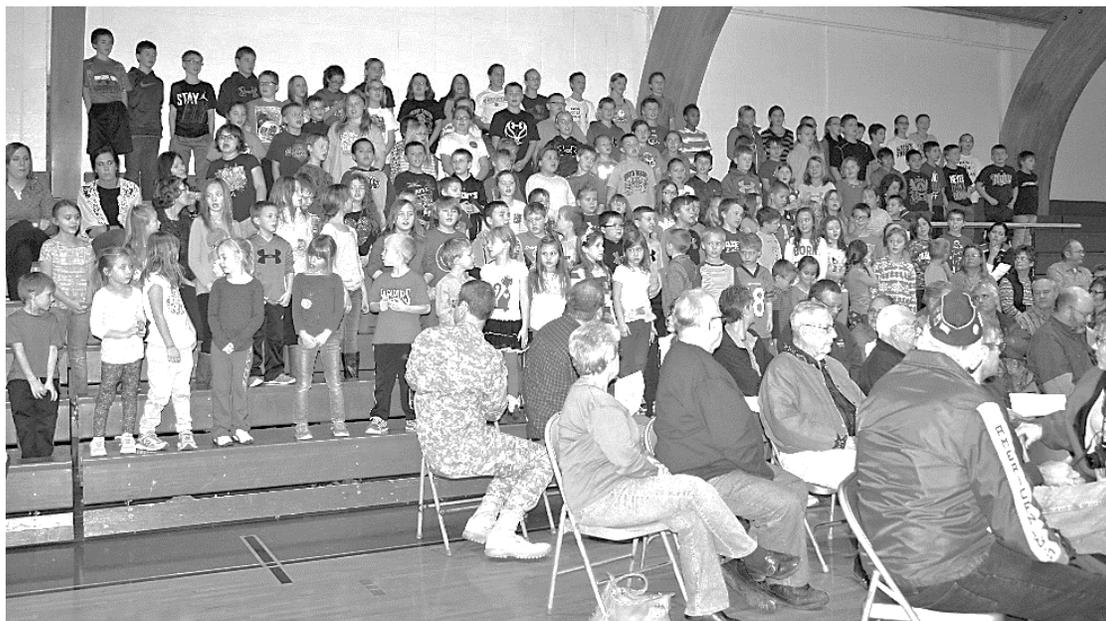
The South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs (SDDVA), in collaboration with the Republic of Korea, hosted the ceremony on January 12, 2016 in the Capitol Rotunda.

The “Ambassador for Peace” medal is bestowed in an expression of appreciation from the people of the Republic of Korea for those who served in Korea's land, air and sea from June 25, 1950 through October 25, 1954.

The American Legion Post 26 of Stickney hosted a local ceremony to honor area Korean veterans in the C/S Elementary gym. A television hook-up was used to watch the program happening live in Pierre at the Capital. After listening to the governor’s remarks, local Legion members took over and presented medals in person to our area veterans; Bernard Heruth, Donald Hoffman, Richard Punt and Leonard DeVries. Adames Punt was is Pierre to receive his honor. The elementary classes sang a fitting “Thank You” song for the crowd and the Legion Auxiliary served refreshments to family and friends after the program.

Thank you
veterans for
your service!

Right: The
elementary classes
singing “Thank You”
to our local
veterans.



Front row: Recipients-
Leonard DeVries,
Bernard Heruth,
Donald Hoffman
and Richard Punt

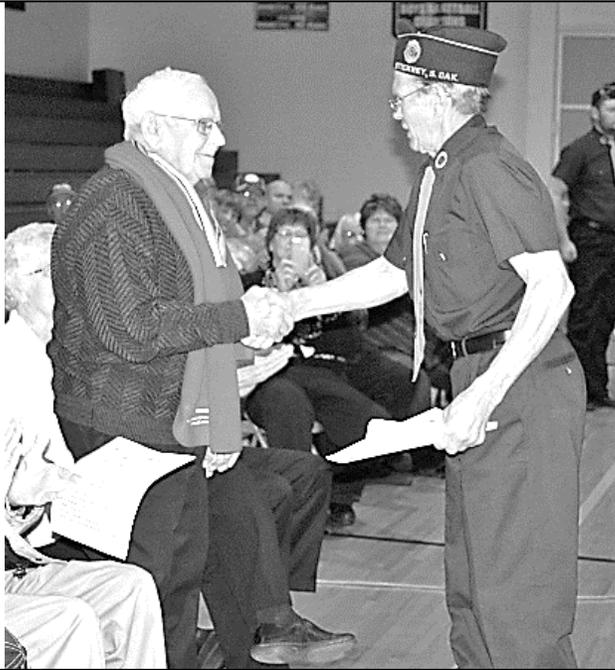
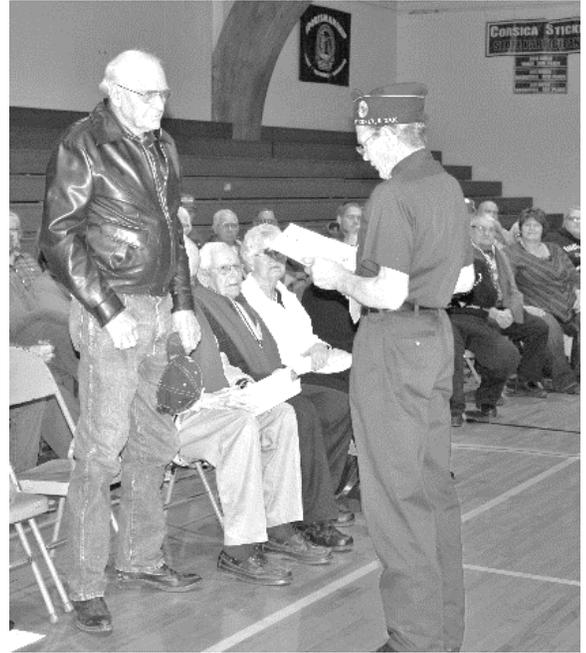
Below: Back row:
Legion members-
Tyler Gerlach,
Lyle Bruinsma,
Roger VanDenOever,
Daryl Kahnke,
Jon Beckman
and Marion Hargens.

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Roger VanDenOever saluting Bernard Heruth.

Right:
Leonard
DeVries
listens as
Roger
VanDenOever
read his
service
record.



Roger VanDenOever shakes hand with recipient Richard Punt as family members watch.



Roger VanDenOever reads Don Hoffman's service record as Mayor Jay Bruinsma readies the medal.



Don Hoffman had several family members there to witness him receiving his medal.

Garret and
Macayla
Gerlach
posed
with
Grandpa
Leonard
after the
ceremony
along with
the rest of
the 1st
grade
class.





Quiz Bowl Team Places 2nd

This year's Q107 Quiz Bowl team consisted of: Brittany Bamberg, Sam Schumacher, Aften Pennings, Hannah Matzner, Clayton Menning and Keeley Rexwinkel. We were awarded a first round bye and then captured wins against Platte and Huron to advance to the final 8 in Mitchell on January 16th at the Pepsi-Cola Theater. After a groggy start and a loss against Menno, the Jaguars kicked it in gear! The team bounced back to get wins against Kimball, Huron and Menno to reach the finals. Because the Jaguars had one loss, it was necessary to beat Mitchell twice to win the championship. They beat Mitchell on a tie breaker in match number one. Unfortunately, Mitchell proved to be too much for Corsica-Stickney and defeated the Jaguars 7-6 in a neck and neck battle. The team was awarded a \$500 check for their efforts. The four Jaguars that competed in Mitchell were: Aften Pennings, Hannah Matzner, Sam Schumacher and Clayton Menning as seen in the picture.

Great season Jags!

C/S Elementary Recognized Nationally

Corsica – Stickney Elementary in South Dakota has been selected as a 2016 National Title I Distinguished School and will be honored during the 2016 National Title I Conference in Houston, TX, January 27-31. The conference attracts more than 3,000 Title I professionals from across the country who gather to honor these schools, as well as to share best practices and learn about innovative education programs. Mrs. Kemp and Miss Gillette will representing C/S at the event.

Corsica-Stickney Elementary was selected by the South Dakota Department of Education for its outstanding performance in the following category:

Exceptional student performance for two or more years.



Pictured above is the elementary staff. Not pictured are Mrs. Koch, Mrs. Boyle, Mr. Davis and Mrs. Metzger

Corsica, Stickney Schools Receive High Rankings

The Niche organization, which explores the best schools in each state, announced the rankings of the top-ten SD School Districts. The organization uses many statistics to rank each school including state test scores, college readiness, SAT/ACT scores, teacher quality and student and parent reviews. Corsica was ranked 2nd and Stickney came in 6th on the list. Brandon Valley was first on the list.

CONGRATULATIONS to all students and staff at Corsica-Stickney Schools.

Local Winners Announced

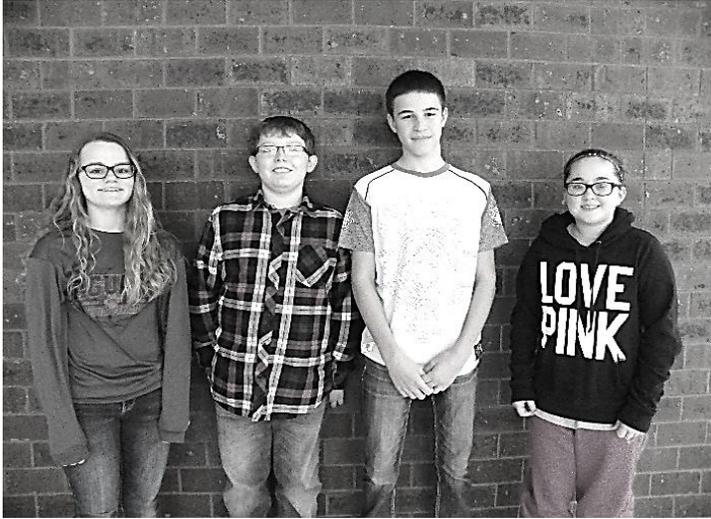
Spelling Bee Winners:

3rd: Saylor Lefers- alternate- Gabriella Olson

4th: Cassidy Woerner-alt.-Tye Hosman

5th: Avery Broughton, alt.-Lucas Krogstad

6th: Emily Wehri, alt.-Morgan Clites



Above: L to R: Carly Lagge, Corbin VanZee, Cooper DeLange, Kassidy Watters

Below: Back: Avery, Lucas, Emily, Morgan
Front: Saylor, Gabriella, Cassidy, Tye



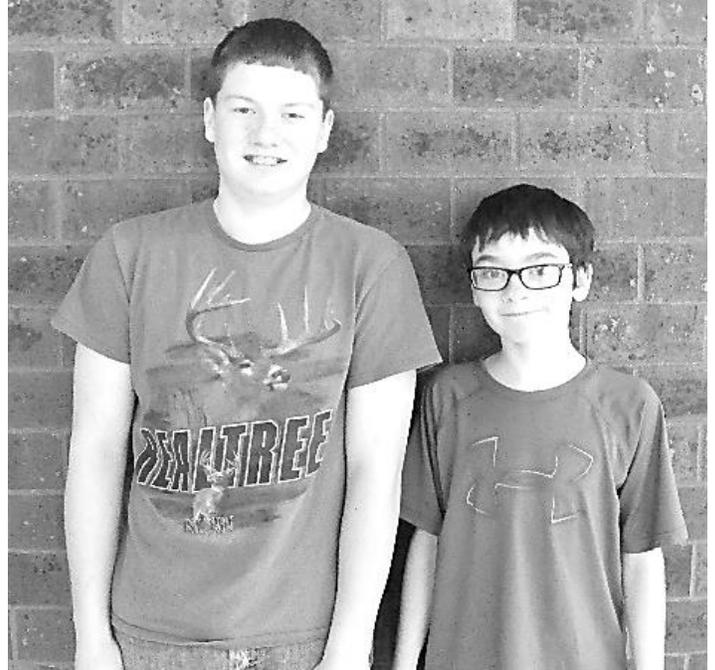
Geography Bee Winners:

4th-Levi VanZee

5th- Bailey Dykstra

6th- Kane Knutson

7th- Slayton VanderWal

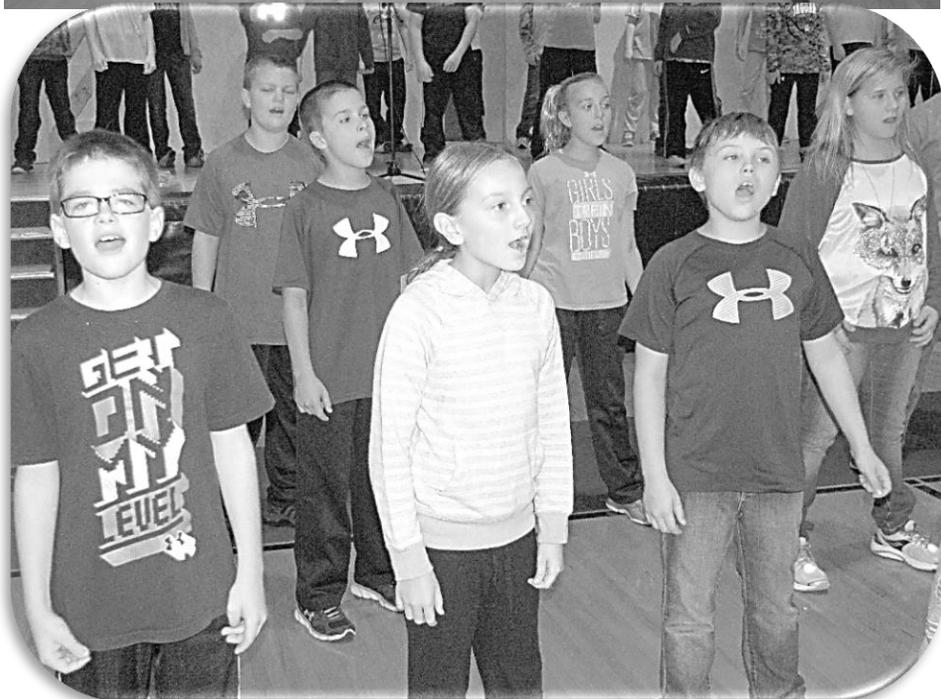


Above: Isaac and Slayton

Below: Bailey, Kane, Levi



Elementary Christmas Concert Practice



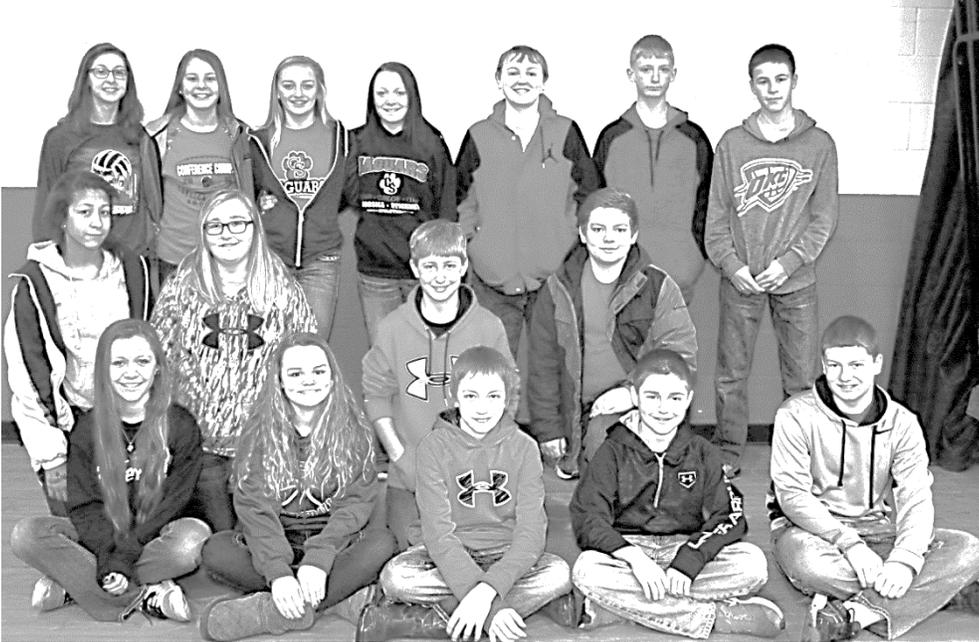


Christmas Concert Candids



8th Graders attend Career Day

On January 21st our 8th graders attended a career fair in Wagner at the Armory. They had the opportunity to visit a wide variety of different booths to gather information about the different careers that are available post high school/college graduation. This year's vendors included: Mitchell Technical Institute; Secret Service; SD Department of Health; Commercial State Bank; Wagner Community Memorial Hospital-Avera; Mount Marty College; SD National Guard; Sioux Falls Fire Rescue; Indian Health Service; SD Highway Patrol; SD Geological Survey; National Association of Social Workers; SD Game Fish and Parks; Yankton Rural Area Health Ed. Center; DWU; USA Audiology; C&B Operations; Delta Dental; SDSU; Avera Home Medical.



Front row: Sierra Heidinger, Carly Lagge, Ray Cordrey, Seth Dykstra, Isaac Hinker.

Middle row: Tyler Warner, Jailey Baumiller, Bradyn Denning, Noah VandenBos

Back row: Ashlin DeBoer, Jordyn Gerlach, Jenna Bamberg, Alexis Tilton, Mason Odens, Hunter Tuffs, Cooper DeLange

HP Officer Visits First Grade

The first grade class enjoyed a visit from Highway Patrol Officer Grant Lubbers on December 11. He explained that his job involves helping people and keeping them safe. The students were excited to be able to check out the patrol car.

Front row: April Mosely, Connor Wright, Cadyn Plooster

2nd row: Gyver VandenBos, Jaydyn Feenstra, Ashtyn Feenstra, Quinten DeVries, Makenzie Vanderham, Macey Beigh, Macayla Gerlach, Aileen Marshall

3rd row: Gabriel Ebbens, Presleigh Lefers, Claire Gerlach, Miley Wiczorek, Garrett Gerlach, Sawyer Schmidt

Back: Officer Grant Lubbers

