

# Nordic Tribune

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## 1st Grade

**By: Angie Mattson**

Please remember to send in a cereal box for Valentine's. We will also be celebrating the 100th day of school in early February! First graders should gather 100 items to bring in that day. The kids are doing great with accelerated reader! Keep reading!

## 3rd Grade

**By: Jennifer Slagle**

Congratulations to the Spelling Bee finalists. They are Tucker Mattson, Sheyenne Johnson, Liberty Carlson, Colin Graham, and Christina Gustafson. Our Valentine's Day Party will be on Tuesday, February 14th from 1:30 to 2:30. Students will be exchanging Valentines. Thank you to all of the families that donated items to our 3rd Grade Sale. We made enough money to cover all of the expenses of our Field Trip. We will continue to have our annual sale next January.

## ND Read - In

**By: Angie Mattson**

The North Dickinson read-in will be held on March 23rd from 6-7:30. The theme this year is "Lego Read". Watch for further details in the March newsletter.

## 4th Grade

**By: Vicki Johnson**

In recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the fourth grade class has been reading the book *I Have a Dream*, The Story of Martin Luther King Jr., written by Margaret Davidson. By reading the book, the students obtained a better understanding about Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and his quest to end segregation. After reading the book the students wrote a book report and made computerized timelines displaying events in the life of Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Informational Meeting for Parents of 2012-13 Kindergarteners

On Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM there will be an information night at the Nordic Head Start building for parents of prospective kindergarteners. Principal/Interim Superintendent Angel Inglese and kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Mattson, will be present to answer questions about kindergarten registration and the upcoming new school year.

## Kindergarten

**By: Michelle Mattson**

We have been very busy during the month of January. It is hard to believe how fast the days are flying and how much our children are learning. In math, we will be continuing to explore the concepts of time and measurement and we will start to talk about money soon. You can start to work with your child on money by helping them to see the differences in the coins and begin to count out some of your change. We will begin a new individualized reading program where the kindergarteners will be racing their way to reading to sight words, so please look for more information to come.

## PTO

**By: Angie Mattson**

Thank you for sending in receipts, box tops, milk caps and soup labels (with UPC). The elementary classes are having a contest and the two classes that collect the most per student will get an afternoon pizza party!! So keep collecting to send in with your favorite Nordic!!



# February 2012

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Cheeseburger Tater Tots Salad Fruit	2 Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza Salad Fruit	3 Chicken Nuggets French Fries Corn Fruit
6 Rotini with Meat Sauce Mozzarella Bread Stick, Green Beans Fruit	7 Chicken Noodle Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Carrots w/Ranch Dip Fruit	8 Turkey Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Corn Fruit	9 Hot Dogs Baked Beans Tuna Macaroni Salad Fruit	10 Pepperoni Pizza Sub Salad Fruit
13 Turkey/Cheese Sub Sandwich Potato Chips Salad Fruit	14 Chicken Nuggets Smiley Potatoes Carrots w/Ranch Dip Ice Cream Cup Fruit	15 Hot Pocket Green Beans Salad Fruit	16 Corn Dogs Butter Noodles Corn Fruit	17 Tony's (4x6) Sausage Pizza Salad Fruit
20 NO SCHOOL	21 Chicken Sandwich Butter Noodles Steamed Carrots Salad Fruit	22 Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Fruit Cookie	23 Cheeseburger Smiley Potatoes Salad Fruit	24 French Bread Cheese Pizza Salad Strawberry Shortcake
27 Tacos Corn Salad Fruit	28 Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Peas Fruit	29 Chili Shredded Cheese Mozzarella Bread Stick Fruit		

Grades 6-12 have a choice of pizza or third choice of Chicken Sandwich. Students must order their choice with the first hour teacher. All milk served in the cafeteria is 1% or Fat Free. This Menu is subject to change. Meals include condiments, milk, and bread.

Breakfast- Monday: Cereal Fun Box, Tuesday: Egg Patty Homemade Biscuit, Sausage Gravy, Fruit, Wednesday: French Toast, Sausage, Fruit, Thursday: Egg Patty, Homemade Biscuit, Sausage Gravy, Fruit. Friday: Egg Cheese and Sausage Taco, Fruit and Juice.

Programs Prohibit Discrimination on the basis of race national origin, sex and/or handicap. If you feel you have been discriminated against write to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington DC 20250

### Reading Olympics

**By: Jennifer Slagle**

Congratulations to the following students who made the Reading Olympic team: Kiara Cronick, Ramsey Nord, Grace Mattson, Justin Slagle, Masyn Alexa, Emily Curtis, Joe Roell, Peyton Carlson, Austin Alexa, and Cody Slagle. Reading Olympics Opening Ceremonies is Monday, February 27th from 4:00-5:30 at Norway Schools. Parents are responsible for transportation. There will be pizza and the students will be introduced. They should wear their Reading Olympics shirts, which will be given to them. Thanks to David and Elsa Brule for sponsoring this event.

### Middle School Dance

**By: Jeanne Johnson**

A Valentine's dance for middle school students will be held at school Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 pm. Tickets purchased in advance will be sold for \$3.00, otherwise sold at the door for \$5.00.

### Art Show News

**By: Jeanne Johnson**

January's ASA winner is Lexi Steele. She was invited to the ASA luncheon and workshop at the Chipewewa Club in Iron Mountain on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Our first runner up was Samantha Wickman, 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to Duran Carlson and Brittany Charlevoix came in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Our next art show will be held on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> with the ASA luncheon and workshop on February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### Art Field Trip

**By: Jeanne Johnson**

The Art Department is planning a field trip to the Art Institute in Chicago in April. To help reduce each student's cost, we are holding a can drive. We would greatly appreciate your 10 cent returnable cans during the home boys' basketball games on February 21<sup>st</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be collecting cans from 5-7 PM in the lunch room. If you are unable to make either drop off dates, please call school or send me an e-mail to arrange a pick-up date. ([jeannejohnson@go-nordics.com](mailto:jeannejohnson@go-nordics.com)) Thank you for your support to our art experience.

### Reminder to Seniors

Seniors are reminded to turn in three pictures to the office as soon as possible. They will be used for the class composite, the yearbook, and The Daily News senior edition.

### Girl's District Basketball Tournament

North Central is the host of the girl's district basketball tournament the week of February 27<sup>th</sup>. Carney-Nadeau will host the boy's district the week of March 5<sup>th</sup>. A non-traditional draw format will be used again this year for both tournaments. This means that the host school receives a bye, is placed in the top of the bracket and will play at home. All teams ending up in the top of the bracket play that game at home. District tournament brackets for both the girls and boys are attached.

### Girls Basketball Game

**Rescheduled**

The January 23<sup>rd</sup> HOME girls basketball game with Kingsford that was postponed has been rescheduled for Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30/7:00 PM.

### Drivers Education Class

We will once again be offering a driver education course at North Dickinson beginning sometime in June after school is out. Students who will be 15 years of age by October 11, 2012, will be eligible for the class. Students wishing to take the class should sign up in the office. Parents of these students will receive more information at a later date regarding cost and exact dates. Deadline for signing up is Thursday, March 1, 2012.

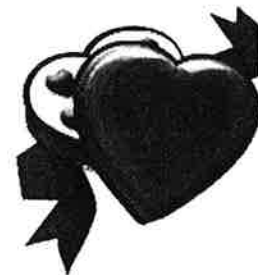
### Yearbook

**By: Jeanne Johnson**

It is not too late to order your copy of the 2011/2012 yearbook. The price is \$30.00. Order forms are located in the school office.

### No School for Students

On Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> there will be no school for students.





# February, 2012



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 ND District Spelling Bee @ 1:30 PM- Gym- Grades 2-8	2 Girls BBall- Home- Bark River @ 5:30/7:00	3 Boys BBall- Away -Bark River @ 5:00/6:30 ***** Girls BBall- Home- Kingsford @ 5:30/7:00	4 7th & 8th Girls Volleyball Tourney @ N.D. 11:00 AM
5	6 Girls BBall- Home- Mid Pen @ 5:30/7:00	7 Boys BBall- Home- Forest Park @ 5:30/7:00	8 Youth Leadership Conference @ N.D. ***** Spring Pictures Grade K-5 & Class Group Pic- tures k-12	9	10 Boys BBall- Away @ Repub- lic HS J.V vs Westwood Freshmen Varsity vs Re- public @ 5:00/6:30	11
12	13 Girls BBall- Home- North Central @ 5:30/7:00 ***** N.D. Board of Ed Meeting @ 7:00 H.S. Library	14 Boys BBall- Away -North Central @ 5:15/7:00	15	16 Girls BBall- Away -Forest Park @ 5:30/7:00	17 Boys BBall- Home- Carney @ 5:30/7:00	18 Great Eight Winter Games
19	20 Girls BBall- Home- Rapid River @ 5:50/7:00 ***** NO SCHOOL FOR STU- DENTS	21 Boys BBall- Home- Mid Pen @ 5:30/7:00	22	23 Girls BBall- Away -Carney @ 5:15/7:00	24 Boys BBall- Away Rapid River @ 5:00/6:30	25
26	27 Reading Olym- pics Opening Ceremony @ Norway @ 4:00 PM ***** Girls District BBall N.D. vs Mid Pen @ Mid Pen @ 6:00 PM	28 Boys Bball- Home- Rapid River @ 5:30/7:00 ***** Regional Spelling Bee @ Norway- Vulcan School	29 Girls District Basketball Tourney Monday nights winner vs N Central @ N. Central @ 6:00			

### District & Regional Spelling Bees

The North Dickinson District Spelling Bee for grades 2-8 will be held in the gym on Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 PM. The first and second place winners in grades 5 through 8 will advance to the Regional Spelling Bee competition on February 28th.

### Spring & Group Pictures

Individual spring pictures for students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade will be taken on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Class group pictures for grades K-12 will also be taken on this day. The group pictures must be paid for the day the pictures are taken. Order forms will be sent home with the students when available.

### ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS

We would like to start on the senior slide show. Please send three "growing up" pictures and a graduation picture to school or email them to Mrs. Lindholm at [vlindholm@go-nordics.com](mailto:vlindholm@go-nordics.com). If you do not have a graduation picture yet that is okay, please send three "growing up" pictures by February 14th. Then when the senior pictures come in remember to send that one. Mrs. Lindholm has all ready sent reminders home with your senior and will continue to do this until all are in. You will get the original pictures back after pictures are scanned in.

### Tutoring Available

Tutoring is available before school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:20 – 8:20 AM and after school from 3:20 – 4:20 PM.

### Walkers Welcome

Walkers are welcome to use the high school halls before school from 7:00 to 8:00 AM and after school from 3:30-5:00 PM. The weight room will also be open during these times.

### Great Eight Winter Games

The annual Great Eight Winter Games, for grades 4-8, will be held on Saturday, February 18, 2012 in the Iron Mountain-Kingsford area. Events include bowling, chess, table tennis, giant slalom, snowboarding, basketball (4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>), girls volleyball (6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>), boys dodge ball (6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>), and archery (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>). Students interested in participating should sign up in the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms or the middle/high school library.

### Winter Games Shirts On Sale

Order forms are available in the office for Great Eight Winter Games sweatshirts and t-shirts. A sample is on display in the office. All orders, including payment, must be turned into the office by Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Short Sleeve T-Shirt-\$10; Long Sleeve T-Shirt-\$17; Crewneck Sweatshirt-\$21; Hooded Sweatshirt-\$25.

### Kindergarten Registration

North Dickinson will be having its registration for kindergarteners on **Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**. It is important for parents to enroll their children at this time so the school can make plans for the upcoming school year. Parents may register at any time during the day, however, if parents want to have their child screened, they must make an appointment by calling the office

at 542-9281. The screening takes about a half hour. Children are eligible if they are at least five years of age on or before December 1, 2012. When registering your child, please bring your **child's immunization record and certified birth certificate** (not the hospital certificate). Certified birth certificates can be obtained at the courthouse in the county where your child was born. We also need verification of the **child's vision and hearing tests**. In addition, the parent must show **two forms of verification of their physical address** such as a driver's license, and current light bill or phone bill. The address must show your physical address not a post office box.

### Board Highlights – January 2012

- In honor of school board recognition month each member was presented a certificate of appreciation for their dedication to the children and the district.
- Received the district audit report
- Approved the NEOLA policies presented as a final reading.
- Approved the purchase and installation of three smart interactive whiteboard with accessories
- Approved to hire a long term-substitute teacher for the remainder of 2011-12 school year effective January 23, 2012 to cover Algebra I.
- Approved the addition of 8<sup>th</sup> grade reading class opposite high school band to the middle school schedule effective January 23, 2012
- Approved to continue with the strategic planning committee
- Scheduled a personnel committee meeting on January 25, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.
- Approved a resolution to change board member terms of office as presented

# District 126 D Girls' Tournament

Hosted by  
North Central Area Schools

February 27th, February 29<sup>th</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012

North Central

Bye

North Central

Wed, Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 CST

Mid Peninsula

Mon., Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> - 6:00  
CST

North Dickinson

Fri, March 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6:00 CST

Carney Nadeau

Mon, Feb 27<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 CST

Carney Nadeau

Bye

Wed, Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 CST

Bark River Harris

Bye

Bark River Harris

Team in the top of  
the bracket play at HOME



## Recent Sinking Fund Projects

By: Darrell Oman

Over the holiday break, light fixtures in both of the gyms, the bus garage, and the commons area were replaced with energy efficient lighting. Occupancy sensors were also installed in both gyms and the commons area. The gym lighting will automatically shut off if the gym is not being used. We eliminated 5 light fixtures in the main gym. The new lighting fixtures draw significantly less electricity. The power consumed by only one of the old fixtures will now power about 4.5 of the new fixtures. Prior to the update, the commons area had 96 fixtures that were either all on, or all off. The 96 two bulb T-12 fixtures were replaced with 36 three bulb T-5 energy efficient fixtures. Four fixtures down the middle of the

commons are on occupancy sensors. If a person enters the commons area after hours or non-school days, only four lights come on. In addition to more energy efficient fixtures, this will significantly reduce the number of hours and quantity of lights that are on during a year. The dishwasher in the schools kitchen was replaced with an Energy Star compliant machine. The dishwasher in the kitchen provided relatively trouble free service for over 40 years. The unit was on its way out and considered obsolete so it was difficult to find certain parts. The new unit uses about 2/3 less water. While operating the new unit consumes less than half the electricity of the old unit. The new unit has auto off feature, and it requires significantly less time to come up to the required temperatures for sanitation purposes. This means the

dishwasher does not have to be on drawing power. As a result of these updates we are expecting to see at least a 10% reduction in electrical costs based on the current rates charged for electricity.

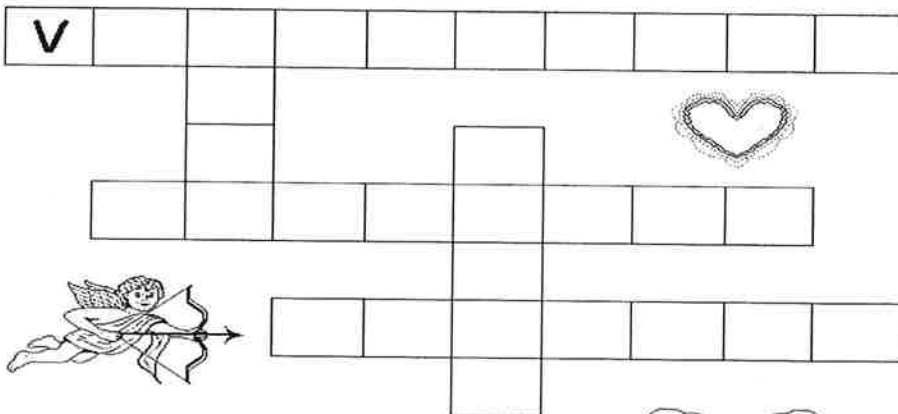
## ELECTION REMINDER

By: Angel Inglese

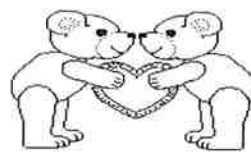
As mentioned in the January newsletter, in addition to Presidential Primary, several local proposals will be on the ballot. One of the proposals is a renewal of the schools 2 mill Sinking Fund. If you support the renewal, vote yes. If you do not support the continuation of the Sinking Fund, vote no. We encourage each of you to get out and vote on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

## Valentines Crossword

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Find a spot for all the words listed in the boxes above.



VALENTINES  
FEBRUARY  
FRIENDS  
CUPID  
LOVE

## Valentines Jokes

Q: What did the stamp say to the envelope on Valentine's Day?

A: I'm stuck on you!

Q: What kind of flowers do you never give on Valentine's Day?

A: Cauliflowers!

Knock knock!

Who's there?

Frank

Frank who?

Frank you for being my friend!

Q: What did the boy owl say to the girl owl on Valentine's Day?

A: Owl be yours!

2012 BOYS BASKETBALL DISTRICT TOURNAMENT NO. 126 – CLASS D

Hosted by

CARNEY-NADEAU HIGH SCHOOL

MARCH 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012

(Non-Traditional Format)

Teams in the top of  
the bracket play at home

