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STUDENT SENATE HOLDS SUICIDE PREVENTION PROJECT

By: Sabrina Ziebro

Tuesday, February 20th, three members of the BC Student Senate traveled across the NVC conference to approach schools with their Suicide Prevention Project. Students Sabrina Ziebro, Katelyn Fletcher, and Aurora Ziebro are a part of a committee within the student senate that focuses on this project and gaining resources for other students to be informed about the topic. With a grant from the Boyd/Holt Coalition, the Student Senate bought stress balls, brochures made by students, and locker magnets with the 988 Suicide Hotline number printed on them as well as additional information for starting a conversation with a person who may be having suicidal thoughts. These items were then packed into small bags for each 7-12th grade student of all of the Niobrara Valley Conference Schools. After members packed nearly 1,700 bags and gathered up flyers for the schools to hang around their campus, the three committee members created a route with advisor Ms. Blair Vogt and stopped at each school before the end of the school day! These schools included Santee, Niobrara/Verdigre, Elkhorn Valley, Neligh Oakdale, EPPJ, Summerland, St.Mary's, CWC, West Holt, Stuart, and North Central. This project then led into the next day, February 21st, where speaker Donna Wolff visited our Boyd County 7-12th grade and community to speak on mental health and suicide amongst students. Being President of the Northeast Nebraska Suicide Prevention Collition, Wolff spoke on many touchy subjects such as how to talk to those struggling with mental health and that it isn't a crime to have suicidal thoughts or have mental health struggles. After the presentation, she provided goodies to the students and was willing to answer any questions relating to mental health. This project is also extended through the T-shirt and Sweatshirt fundraiser with all proceeds going to the Richard Young Behavioral Health Facility located in Kearney, NE. Thank you to all schools for having open arms on this project and the Boyd County Community for participating in this cause and showing your support!



Student Senate members pose with speaker, Donna Wolff.



Sabrina & Katelynn spread the info at a basketball games by displaying flyers and handing out stress toys, magnets, and brochures.



Members, Aurora, Sabrina, and Katelyn meet with Santee's principal, Noella Eagle when they dropped off the care bags.



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KINDNESS >



Rogan Nielsen put the "I" in kind and won this month's kindness award by simply being a good-humored student who is kind to everyone and for being a good-natured young man.



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BUSY BUSY SPEECH

By: Zoe Kaczor

On Saturday of last week the Boyd County Speech Team attended the Ainsworth meet. This was an exciting day for our team as everyone did well in their events. Liz Kersch placed 1st in Program of Oral Interpretation, Zoë Kaczor placed 1st in Poetry, Liz and Zoë placed 1st in Duet, and McKenzie Snyder placed 2nd in both Informative and Entertainment. In novice Humorous Prose Amanda Davis placed 3rd and Kayden Kayl placed 4th. On Wednesday, the team attended this year's NVC meet at Stuart. At this meet, Liz placed 3rd in Program of Oral Interpretation and the Duet team received 6th Place. On Friday the team had an early start leaving from the school around 5:15 and headed to the Norfolk Lutheran Speech Meet. This speech meet was very competitive and a good experience for the speech team. Our duet team placed 5th at this meet. There is only one more speech meeting before districts. Good Luck speech team!

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POWERLIFTING GOES TO VERDIGRE

The Boyd County Powerlifting team traveled to Verdigre Saturday and came away with several team and individual awards. The Junior high Team placed first, while the High School Girls Team finished 4th and the High School Coed team finished 5th. Individual placing in the top 6 were Joe Schmitz 1st, Jagger Rieiser 1st, Aidyn Garwood 2nd, Tanner Reiser 1st, Liam Karns 1st, Ben Schmiz 1st, Weston Keyes 4th, Cooper Holz 6th, Shaeden Polenske 4th, Paige Wendt 1st, Juliana Cline 2nd, Liz Arellano, 5th Alana Windstrom 2nd, Amanda Davis 6th, Amelia Hakl 3rd, and Kaylee Bennett 4th. New School records were set by Jagger in all three lifts and total, Aidyn in Bench, Deadlift and total, and Weston in Bench, Deadlift and total. On the girls side, Kaylee set a new Squat record and had a new total record until Amelia passed it on her last lift. Amelia finished with new Bench and total records. Joe, Aidyn, Jagger, Liam, Weston, Cooper, Juliana, Paige, Kaylee and Amelia set new personal best lifts. The Team will have four weeks to get ready for the Class C State Meet on March 23 in Harvard.

COMING EVENTS >

- 3/2** - Speech meet @ Creighton
- 3/5** - Speech Night @ 6:00pm
- 3/7** - 2:00 Dismissal
- 3/8** - NO SCHOOL
- 3/11** - District Speech @ Hartington
- 3/12** - Spring Activity Photos
- 3/16** - Prom
- 3/18** - Instrumental NVC Music @ Stuart

