

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

2008

DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, December 1 - JV G/B BB vs. Clarinda Academy Here 6:15/8:00

Tuesday, December 2 - Varsity G/B BB vs. Griswold Here 6:15/8:00
Mark Jewell Winter Sports pictures 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, December 4 - JH Girls' BB vs. Sidney Here 4:00
JH Boys' BB at Sidney 4:00
JV/V Boys' BB vs. East Mills Here 6:15/8:00
Varsity Wrestling at Clarinda 5:30

Friday, December 5 - Varsity G/B BB vs. Riverside Here 6:15/8:00
Varsity Wrestling at Humboldt Tournament TBA

Monday, December 8 - Varsity G/B BB vs. Tarkio Here 6:15/8:00
Regular School Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 9 - JH Girls' BB at Hamburg 4:00
JH Boys' BB vs. Hamburg Here 4:00
Varsity G/B BB vs. Hamburg Here 6:15/8:00

Wednesday, December 10 - Elementary Christmas Concert 1:30
Financial Aid Night Here 6:00 p.m. - School Library

Thursday, December 11 - HS Christmas Concert 7:00
Varsity Wrestling vs. Glenwood/Abraham Lincoln at Shenandoah 5:30

Friday, December 12 - JH Girls' BB at Essex 3:30
JH Boys' BB vs. Essex Here 4:00
JV Boys/Varsity G/B BB vs. Essex Here starting at 5:00
JV Girls' BB at Essex at 5:00

Saturday, December 13 - JV/V G/B BB at Fremont-Mills 4:30
Varsity Wrestling Tournament at Riverside 10:00 a.m.

Monday, December 15 - Varsity G/B BB at South Page 6:15/8:00

Tuesday, December 16 - JH Girls' BB vs. Fremont-Mills Here 4:00
JH Boys' BB at Fremont-Mills 4:00
Varsity G/B BB at Fremont-Mills 6:15/8:00
Varsity Wrestling vs. Atlantic/Kuemper at Shenandoah 5:30

Thursday, December 18 - JV/V Girls' BB at AHST 6:15

Friday, December 19 - JH Girls' BB at East Mills 4:00

JH Boys' BB vs. East Mills Here 4:00

Varsity G/B BB vs. East Mills Here 6:15/8:00

Jr. Class After Prom Soup Supper Fundraiser 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 20 - Shenandoah Wrestling Duals 9:30 a.m.

JANUARY 2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, January 5 - HAPPY NEW YEAR - 1st day of classes for 2nd Semester

JV Wrestling Tournament at Clarinda 4:30

Thursday, January 8 - JH Girls' BB vs. Essex Here 4:00

JH Boys' BB at Essex 4:00

JV/V Wrestling at Tri-Center 5:30

Varsity G/B BB vs. Essex Here 6:15/8:00

Friday, January 9 - Spanish Trip to Omaha

JH Girls' BB at Hamburg 4:00

JH Boys' BB vs. Hamburg Here 4:00

Varsity G/B BB at Clarinda Academy 6:15/8:00

Saturday, January 10 - Varsity Wrestling at Winterset Tournament TBA

JV Wrestling Tournament at St. Albert's 10:00 a.m.

Monday, January 12 - JV Wrestling at Creston 5:00

JV/G/B BB at Stanton 6:15

Regular School Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 13 - JH Girls' BB at South Page 4:00

JH Boys' BB vs. South Page Here 4:00

JV/V Wrestling at Underwood 5:30

Varsity G/B BB vs. South Page Here 6:15/8:00

Friday, January 16 - JV G/B at Sidney 4:00

Varsity G/B BB at Sidney to follow JV

Varsity Wrestling Tournament at Mt. Ayr 5:30

Saturday, January 17 - Varsity Wrestling at Mt. Ayr 10:00 a.m.

JV Wrestling at Bedford TBA

Sunday, January 18 - Public Performance of Large Group Speech Pieces

Tuesday, January 20 - JH Wrestling at Atlantic 4:00

January 21-24 - C.C. Basketball Tournament TBA

Thursday, January 22 - JH G/B BB vs. Clarinda Lutheran Here 4:00
JH Wrestling at Riverside 4:30
JV/V Wrestling at Red Oak 5:30

Friday, January 23 - Varsity Wrestling at John Harris Tournament TBA

Saturday, January 24 - Varsity Wrestling at John Harris Tournament
District Large Group Speech Contest TBA
C.C. Boys' Finals Here 6:15/8:00

Monday, January 26 - JH Wrestling at Glenwood 4:00
JV Wrestling at Harlan 4:30
Varsity G/B BB at Fairfax 6:15/8:00

Tuesday, January 27 - JH Girls' BB at Stanton 3:30
JH Boys' BB vs. Stanton Here 4:00
JH Wrestling at Harlan 4:00
JV/V Wrestling vs. East Mills/Criswold at Shenandoah 5:30
Varsity G/B BB at Stanton 6:15/8:00

Wednesday, January 28 - Bloodmobile at Farragut School 12:00-6:00

Thursday, January 29 - JV G/B BB vs. South Page Here 6:15/8:00

Friday, January 30 - JH Girls' BB at Villisca 4:00
JH Boys' BB vs. Villisca Here 4:00
Varsity G/B BB vs. Villisca Here 6:15/8:00
(Elementary Cheerleaders Perform at half-time of girls' game)

Saturday, January 31 - JV Wrestling Tournament at South Page TBA
Varsity Wrestling at Red Oak 10:30 (Hawkeye 10 Tournament)

SWIHMBA FUNDRAISER

Emmy will be cooking on Sunday, December 14th at the Elk's Club in Shenandoah. Serving will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$11.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children ages 4-12 and under 4 is free. Please come support the Farragut students who will travel to Orlando, Florida to march in the Capitol One Citrus Bowl Parade on December 30th. Students representing Farragut High School are: Chance Kimpel, Rebecca Jardon, Jordan Laughlin, Megan Lightfoot, Emily Linder, Janae Shough, Mariah Voyles, Nicholle Blank, Jody Shough, Courtney Leslie and Leah Burkhiser.

ELEMENTARY UPDATE – MRS. BREDENSTEINER

The holiday season is upon us! With just three weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks, the time is going to go quickly.

I want to thank all the parent readers during American Education Week. Staff and students appreciated you giving time to share with the classes.

The 4th grade class is to start the Thanksgiving week baking bread. We are fortunate that the Fremont County Extension provides this opportunity for our students. They make bread in a bag and learn about the ingredients that are used as well as other products grown in Iowa. The cooks bake the bread for our students and the students get to sample their work before taking home the rest of the loaf for their families to share.

The Preschool students have been very busy with two programs close together. They entertained grandparents for Thanksgiving and will give their Christmas program for parents, grandparents, and friends Wednesday, December 10, at 10:30 in the Elementary Gym.

Elementary students have also been learning many musical selections for their Christmas program Wednesday, December 10, at 1:30 in Plummer Gymnasium. The 5th and 6th grades have been working on several numbers to present. Please join us to help start you off in the holiday spirit!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be open December 9, 10-the day of the Christmas program, and 11. The times will be sent home with the students and posted on the website that week.

The semester ends December 19. The grade cards will be handed out after Christmas break.

I hope everyone has a joyous season gathered together with family and friends.

JUNIOR HIGH SCIENCE – MRS. ERICKSON

All Junior High students will be expected to complete a Science Fair Project this year. All projects will be expected to be completed outside of school and are due Friday, February 27, 2008. Students will be getting a completion grade for their Science Fair Projects. Parents may assist students in any projects that might require assistance. Parents are NOT to complete the project for their child! The top Science Fair Projects for each grade level will go on to the Corner Conference Science Fair. Those students will attend the Corner Conference Science Fair in March with Mrs. Erickson to present their projects to a panel of judges.

Below are the guidelines to follow when completing the projects. If you have any questions or concerns Mrs. Erickson.

The following are the guidelines for the Junior High Science Semester Test Project. Students will present this to the rest of the class for a semester test grade. Students need to complete this process in order to determine what they want to do for their project. Each student has a worksheet with this information on it to complete for the semester test.

1. Think of a question you have about something in your everyday life.
2. Complete preliminary research on your topic. Search printed sources (books, journals, magazines, and newspapers) and electronic sources (internet and software) for information about your topic. Keep track of your own observations along the way. Be sure to record where you got the information!
3. Write a hypothesis. What do you believe to be true about the question you posed? Write this as a statement that can be proven or disproved.
4. Decide how you will determine if your hypothesis is true. Design an experiment or decide what research needs to be complete. If you are conducting an experiment, you need to decide the following: 1) Variable: What in your experiment will you change? 2) Control: What in your experiment will you keep the same? 3) Materials Needed: What materials will you need in order to

conduct the experiment? 4) Time Frame: How long will it take to complete your experiment? Some experiments may take a short amount of time, while others may last several weeks. 5) Procedure: What are the step by step procedures that you will follow in order to complete your experiment? This is similar to the labs you find in your textbook, where anyone can follow the steps listed in order to complete the experiment.

Students may begin their experiments after the semester test so I can give feedback on procedures, etc. Please remind your child to keep track of everything he/she does during the entire process. This includes keeping data and taking pictures of each step of the experiment.

Students will need to neatly display the following information for the Science Fair in February: This is usually done on a large display board for everyone to see.

1) Title (What is your experiment or research)

2) Table of Contents

3) Introduction- write a short summary that includes the hypothesis, procedure, materials, results, and conclusion. You should also include how you came up with the idea and why it's important.

4) Question and Hypothesis

5) Experiment- List the materials needed and a step by step procedure that can be followed by anyone (similar to the labs you find in your textbook).

6) Data and Results

7) Conclusion- was your hypothesis correct or incorrect, why?

8) Bibliography and Sources- where did you get your information for your research.

