

# SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTES

by Larry Harnisch



By the time you received this newsletter there will be less than three weeks remaining in the school year. Right now we are preparing for graduation and next school year so that our start in August can go as smooth as possible. Some of the summer projects planned are: (a) replacing floor and ceiling in the east room of the kitchen, (b) shingle replacement on the elementary building, (c) reconstruction of the announcer's stand by the football field, (d) improving the graduation class picture display in the entry by the gym [we are looking at a digital display unit

rather than wall swing panels], (e) refinishing the gym floor and (f) improvements in the building HVAC system.

Since the wind storm, that leveled the announcers stand by the football field, we have received inquiries from the public on how they might help. Some have indicated they would like to make donations or use memorial funds, others have said that the new structure should be larger and the list goes on and on. We have met with our insurance adjuster and he will be issuing his findings soon. When that happens the district will be allowed a certain settlement and we can make plans to rebuild. The School Board Building and Grounds Committee along with Athletic Director and administration will then make plans of what and when the construction can start. Suggestions are always welcome from the community.

## From Principal Theobald's Desk



I have never been one to write with clichés, but time really does seem to fly. It feels like it was only yesterday when we started the school year. We have a tremendous staff and our student body is exceptional. This has made my first year here so enjoyable. My family and I are proud to say that we are from Sterling, and we would like to thank everyone for making us feel right at home. As we close out this year, we are looking forward to the challenges and accomplishments that await with the next

school year. With that being said, here are a few highlights since the last newsletter.

**1. Student of the Month.** Congratulations to our April Student of the Month honorees. Our high school student is Archie Keebler and our middle school student is Bailey Kahler. These students were voted in by the 6-12 staff. Both of these students have been leaders in their respective classes and I have found them both to be very positive individuals. *continued*

## Continued From Principal Theobald's Desk

**2. Graduation.** Graduation will take place on Saturday May 12, 2012. The ceremony will begin at 4:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. This senior class has been a pleasure to work with. They have been receptive to change and they have served as positive role models for the entire student body. They will be leaving Sterling with all of the tools and skills necessary to be successful. It is evident that the staff and community has invested time and energy in this class over the years, as they are group to be proud of. The potential in this class is unlimited, and I personally want to wish the Class of 2012 the best of luck!

**3. Spring Events.** I would personally like to invite all of you to our final activities in which we will showcase our talented students. Our high school instrumental concert is set for May 3rd at 7:30 p.m. and the vocal concert is set for May 7th at 7:30 p.m. Our elementary students will be performing in their spring concert on May 8th, starting at 7:30 p.m. In addition to these events, our annual Awards Night is scheduled for Friday, May 4th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. If you have the time, please come and support our students and staff, as they have had an outstanding year.

**4. End of the Year.** Semester testing for students in grades 6-11 will take place on May 16 and 17. The last day of school will be May 18, with a noon dismissal. This will be for all students in grades 1 through 11. We will not be serving breakfast or lunch on this day. The kindergarten class will be have a graduation ceremony on the afternoon of the 17th. This will be the last day for kindergarten students.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or general comments, please feel free to contact me. Take care and I hope everyone has a relaxing and enjoyable summer.

# GO JETS!!!



## UPCOMING MUSIC PROGRAMS



**May 3rd** 5-12th grade Spring Instrumental Concert - 7:30 p.m.

**May 7th** 6-12th grade Spring Vocal Concert - 7:30 p.m.

*Cheese cake will be served at the May 7th performance*

**May 8th** Elementary Spring Music Concert - 7:30 p.m.

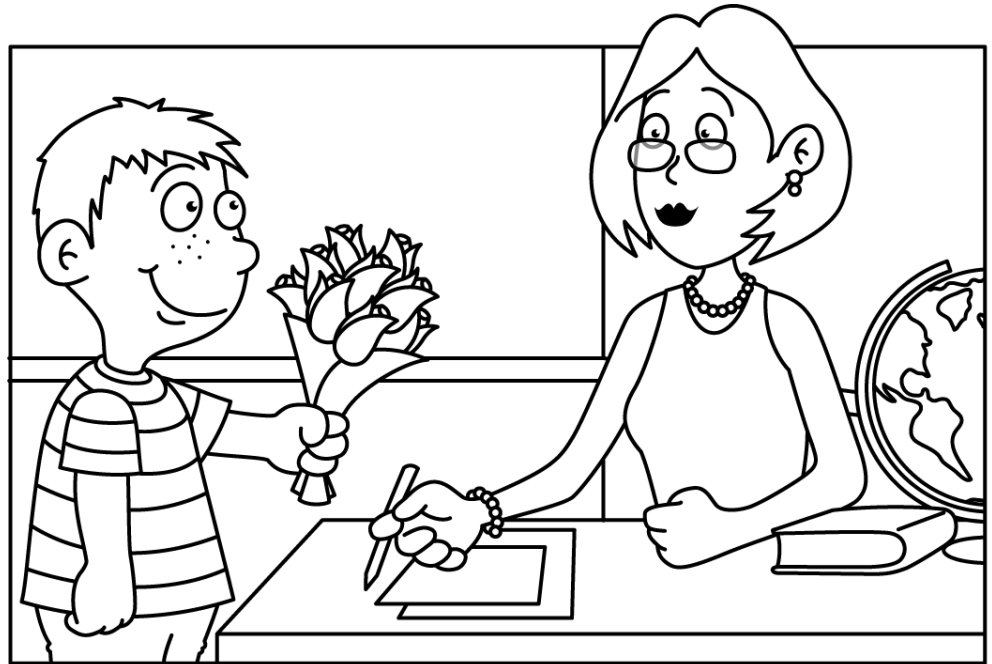
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Music Boosters are asking for the following items to be brought to the school gym on May 7 by 6:45 p.m.: **6th, 7th, & 8th Graders** are to bring a **Cheese Cake** (one per family); **9th, 10th & 11th Graders** are to bring Toppings (Chocolate, Cherry, Carmel, Blueberry, etc...).

# ACTIVITIES FOR MAY 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>The calendar is subject to change.</i>		1 Freeman Invite @ Crete - 9 a.m.	2	3 5-12 Instrumental Spring Concert 7:30 p.m.	4 Awards Night 7:00 p.m. in gym	5 Jr. High Pioneer Conf. TR @ Pawnee City 9 am
6	7 6-12 Vocal Spring Concert 7:30 p.m.	8 Elementary Music Spring Concert 7:30 p.m.	9 DISTRICT TRACK @ Auburn 11 a.m.	10 <i>Seniors Last Day</i> Band Picnic 5:30 p.m.	11	12 <b>GRADUATION</b> 4 p.m. in Gym
12	14 School Board 7:30 p.m.	15	16 <b>SEMESTER TESTING</b>	17 <b>SEMESTER TESTING</b> Kindergarten Graduation - TBA	18 Students Last Day of School NOON	19
20	21 <i>Teacher Work Day</i> Mary Lou's Recital School gym - 7:30 pm	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Memorial Day Dinner in the school gym and cafeteria	29	30	31	<b>Girls Basketball Camp - 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 30-June 2</b>	

# MAY 2012 MENUS



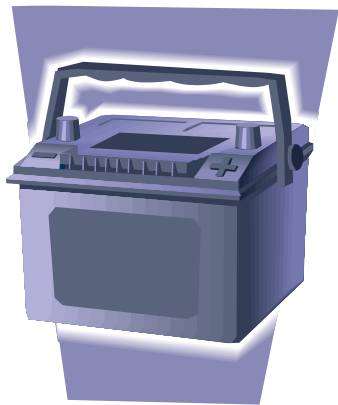
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><i>Menus subject to change without notice.</i></p> <p><i>All meals include half pint of milk.</i></p> <p><i>Extra bread, butter and peanut butter offered with each 6-12 meal.</i></p>	<p><b>1</b> B-Breakfast Burrito or Cereal/Fruit, milk L-Ham Patty, tator gems, lettuce salad, applesauce</p>	<p><b>2</b> B-Waffles, Sausage or Cereal/Sausage, juice, milk L-Chicken Fajita, peas, rice, peaches</p>	<p><b>3</b> B-Cereal, Toast, Fruit, cheese stick, milk L-Nachos, green beans, celery w/peanut butter, pineapple tidbits</p>	<p><b>4</b> B-Breakfast Bar or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Salisbury Steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy, breadsticks, mixed fruit</p>
<p><b>7</b> B-Breakfast Pizza or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Mandarin Orange or Terriyaki Chicken Over Rice, peas, applesauce</p>	<p><b>8</b> B- Cereal, Toast, Fruit, cheese stick, milk L-Goulash, green beans, tea rolls w/jelly, pineapple tidbits</p>	<p><b>9</b> B-Garlic Cheese Toast or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Sloppy Joes, french fries, carrot sticks, pears</p>	<p><b>10</b> B-Breakfast Burrito or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Chicken Nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn, mixed fruit</p>	<p><b>11</b> B-Waffles, Sausage or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Hot Dogs, baked beans, lettuce salad, mandarin oranges</p>
<p><b>14</b> B-Breakfast Burrito or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Chicken Gravy Over Biscuits or Bread, peas, lettuce salad, pears</p>	<p><b>15</b> B-Garlic Cheese Toast or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Potato Bake, ham or tuna salad sandwich, string cheese, applesauce</p>	<p><b>16</b> B- Cereal, Toast, Fruit, juice, milk L-Cook's Choice, green beans, french fries, mandarin oranges</p>	<p><b>17</b> B-Cook's Choice or Cereal/Fruit, juice, milk L-Mini Corn Dogs, corn, fruit</p>	<p><b>18</b> <b>NO MEALS SERVED</b></p>

May Lunch Statements will go home on May 17th so that everyone will know their final balances for checkout on May 18th.

# Battery Recycling Project

Sterling Public Schools, under the guidance of Harold Richardson, has been participating in a vehicle battery recycling program to help with a school improvement project. Since October students and community members have been dropping off car/truck, tractor, lawnmower, boat, etc. batteries at Mr. Greg Peterson's house in Sterling.

Batteries are still being collected. If you have a battery you would like to donate you may drop it by Greg Peterson's house near the south side of his garage in Sterling or you may contact Sterling Public Schools at 402-866-4761.



# LOOKING FOR BAND POLOS

Do you happen to have any Sterling Band Polo Shirts around. If you have graduated or are not in band anymore and would like to sell or donate your polo shirt, please contact the Music Department (Angel Renninger) at 402-866-4761.



## 2012 STERLING HIGH ALUMNI BANQUET

Sterling High School Gymnasium

May 27, 2012

5:00p.m. Social Time \* 5:30p.m. Banquet

Advanced registration, please mail check and this registration form to:

**Sterling Alumni Association**

**P.O. Box 393**

**Sterling, NE 68443**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sterling High Class of: \_\_\_\_\_

Advanced Meal Ticket (s): \_\_\_\_\_ at \$10.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tickets available at the door for \$12.00 each.

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Updates of Schedules will be  
Posted on the School Website*

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## Upcoming Events

Friday, May 4 - Awards Night - 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 12 - Graduation - 4 p.m.

**Upcoming Athletic Camps  
will be posted on the website.  
Make sure to check them out.**