

Happening . . . 

- Volleyball vs. Lincoln—freshman and sophomore 5 p.m., junior varsity 6:15 p.m., varsity 7:30 p.m. in gym
- Freshman football vs. Watertown 4:15 p.m. at WHS
- Novice oral interp tournament 3:30 p.m. at Roosevelt

Tuesday NOW is brought to you by:



Weather

Today: Partly cloudy. High 65°.

Tonight: Mostly clear. Low 41°.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy. High 66°.

Campus

Lunch today: French dip sandwich

A la carte lines: Cheese pizza, chef salad, chicken sandwich, hard or soft shell taco

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets

In the counseling center:

•Representatives from various college and universities will visit during lunch hours in upcoming days:

Wednesday . . .Minn. State Mankato
MondayBeloit College, Wisc.

•Register now for an ACT prep course to begin Nov. 2.

Meeting announcements:

•SADD members will meet at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday in A-113.

•Principal's Advisory Council members will meet at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday in E-112.

•Students interested in wrestling will meet at 3:05 p.m. Thursday in A-237.

•Diversity committee members will meet at 7:30 a.m. Friday in the administrative conference room.

•The Young Democrats organization will meet at 3:10 p.m. Friday in A-122.

•Freshman and sophomore boys interested in playing boys basketball this winter will meet at 3:10 p.m. Friday—freshmen in E-113, sophomores in E-114.

Other reminders:

•Register to participate in a school-wide mock election to be held Oct. 25. Register Wednesday-Friday. A student ID is required to register and vote.

•All students who plan to participate in a winter sport must have a current physical on file. Physical forms are available in the office.

•Members of the Highstepper dance team will sell bracelets during lunch periods in the commons this week to raise money for senior Tori Smook and her family. Smook is currently hospitalized at the Mayo Clinic.

Students form political clubs in busy election year

By Kristen Burns and Kasie Hummel

With election fever sweeping the nation, WHS students are getting involved in a big way this year.

The recent formation of a Young Republicans organization and a Young Democrats organization will allow interested students to become involved in the government and election process.

Inspired by students, both organizations have recruited faculty advisers. The Young Democrats are advised by teachers Becky Kelley and Becky Collieran. Teacher Brent Eliason is the adviser for Young Republicans.

Both clubs are new this year and just had their first meetings. Each club was initiated by student interest in politics and the election

process in the United States.

Eliason said he has high hopes for the young leaders involved in both organizations.

"I want the students to become knowledgeable on the issues that are facing our country today and realize that unless we do something to make a difference, that we will be waiting forever for someone else to do the work," Eliason said.

Each club is fairly small, with the Young Republicans drawing around 20 members to their first meeting and the Young Democrats drawing around 15.

The next Young Democrats meeting is set for 3:10 p.m. Friday in A-122. The next Young Republicans meeting is set for Monday. A time and a place will be determined later.

Band ends season with performances

By Ben Matchan

The marching band's season will come to an end this week as they present their 2004 field show "A Journey to the East" for the final time this Thursday at the Warrior's football game with O'Gorman in the City Challenge.

Then, the band has two Grand Finale indoor marching concerts set for 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday in the auditorium. Tickets are \$2 and are available at the door.

The concert will also feature an all-you-can-eat chicken dinner in the commons from 6-8 p.m. Tickets to the dinner are \$7. Pre-sales have been completed. A limited number of tickets will also be sold at the door.

Director Jennifer Hawkinson said she expects a big crowd for this year's chicken dinner and marching show.

"Ticket sales have been up from last year," Hawkinson said. "Pre-sale numbers are up to 750, which is more than we sold all together last year, so we are expecting a big crowd."

The band is coming off a successful season where they finished in third place in Marshall, Minn., second place in Luverne, Minn., and a notable fifth overall in Ankeny, Iowa, out of around 30 bands.

The drumline also had a good season, earning second place in Ankeny and grand champion in Luverne.

Oral interp team in action at Roosevelt, Madison

By Jake Harris

The Warrior oral interp novice team will be competing in their third match this season at Roosevelt High School today after school.

Numerous teams from around the Sioux Falls area are all invited as well.

The varsity interp team will also compete this Saturday at the Dakota Invitational in Madison. About 20 schools from the eastern

region of the state are invited as well.

Co-coach Suzi Jones said she is hopeful for this varsity meet.

"I think it's great that we broke finals last week at Lincoln, and we're also starting new students who couldn't join earlier because of band," Jones said. "We're very excited because we have a large group from WHS at this meet and at novice."

Reaching out to help a friend...

Highstepper dance team helps raise money for member in need

By Ashley Harkness

Warrior Highstepper dance team members are working hard to raise money for a fellow team member, senior Tori Smook and her family.

Smook has been in the hospital for over two weeks now fighting an illness.

Senior Amanda Koenig, Smook's friend and a member of the Highstepper dance team, said Smook has undergone numerous surgeries to solve an unknown problem.

"Three weeks ago she had a colonoscopy and ever since then she has not been feeling well," Koenig said. "She couldn't eat, she had no energy."

Smook was put in the hospital a week after the initial visit. The first few days were OK, says Koenig, but things went down hill after that.

"Her first five days went alright, then she got really sick," Koenig said. "They took tests which led to surgery on Oct. 9," Koenig said.

After the surgery, Smook's internal organs were inflamed, making it so the doctors could not sew her shut.

She was in a drug induced coma until Wednesday.

Doctors still aren't sure what is wrong with Smook, Koenig said.

"She was sent to the Rochester Clinic in Minnesota," Koenig said. "She has been in the hospital for two

To send a card:

Anyone who wishes to send a card to Smook may do so at:

Victoria Smook
St. Mary's Hospital
PICU
Mary Brigh 3G Bld.
1216 Second St. SW
Rochester, MN 55902



Senior Tori Smook

weeks and will be there for a while. No one knows when she will come out."

Members of the team and other friends are helping to raise money for the Smook family by selling bracelets for \$1 during lunch periods in the commons. Donations will also be

accepted. Anyone wishing to donate or buy a bracelet can talk to any Highstepper member or adviser Angela Nieman.

Senior Megan Mydland said she wishes Smook well.

"We miss her a lot," Mydland said. "I hope she has a quick recovery and returns to us soon."

Early voting hits snags in Florida

By Gail Epstein Nieves, Nikki Waller and David Ovalle
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MIAMI—Early voters crowded precincts across Florida on Monday, but long waits in Miami-Dade County, computer glitches in Broward County around Fort Lauderdale and other problems cropped up, raising concerns for the Nov. 2 presidential election.

Here's what's happening in your world



The last thing Florida elections officials want is a replay of the 2000 presidential-election disaster, when ballot challenges and court fights left the election unresolved for 36 days until the U.S. Supreme Court ordered the state's recount halted and George W. Bush was declared the winner.

In Broward, long delays and massive confusion marred the start of early voting as the remote system at nine polling sites collapsed. The problem made it impossible to electronically confirm voters' eligibility. Workers instead used paper lists and called the election supervisor's office.

Sophomores end season with win

By Joel Enright

The Warrior sophomore football ended their season with a 39-33 win over the Lincoln Patriots Monday at Howard Wood Field.

It was a hard fought game for the team which ended their season at 2-7.

Sophomore Sam Holson had three touchdowns in the game to lead the team.

Sophomore Cody

Hanson was enthusiastic about the game.

"We played no-mistakes football, and played as a team," Hanson said.

Coach Jim Trett was equally impressed and satisfied with the team's performance.

"This was a great way for us to end a season," Trett said. "It was a big game against a rival team with only one loss and the team did great."

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