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# Education Plus

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SUMMER 2017

## Congratulations, Class of 2017!

Graduation - Friday, May 26, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.,  
Lake of the Woods High School Gymnasium

Class Motto: "Chase your dreams, but always know the road that will lead you home again." - Tim McGraw

Class Flower: Amaryllis

Class Colors: Black, White, & Red

Class song: "Forever Young" -Jay Z



**Valedictorian:**  
Stimpfl, Emma



**Salutatorian:**  
Krause, McKord

- \*Brandon, Emma
- \*Brooks, Mark
- \*Hiemstra, Jaydon
- \*Leahy, Josephine
- \*Major, Zachery
- \*Palm, Gabrielle
- \*Pelland, Magen
- \*Rennemo, Logan
- \*Rivard, Paul
- \*Russell, Sydney
- \*Sonstegard, Jordan
- \*indicates honor student



**Other Candidates for Graduation:**

- Dahl-McCloud, Koral
- Davidson, Erin
- Fish, Jacob
- Fuller, Cory
- Hasbargen, Rayna
- Iverson, lane
- Johnson, Christen
- McDowell, Cheyenne
- Martin, Cameren
- Million, Max
- Mord, Joshua
- Muggli, Dominick
- Nelson, Nickolas
- Rugani, Randy
- Smith, Sunshine
- Solo, Tessa
- Stueber, David
- Torgeson, Ryan

## Food That's In...When School's Out!

Lake of the Woods School will be participating in the Summer Food Program again this year. The SFSP compliments the educational programs and activities that are scheduled at the Lake of the Woods School during the summer months, yet it is open to the entire community. The dates and times are listed below.

**Dates:** June 19 - 23, July 17 - 21, August 7 - 11, 2017

**Time:** Breakfast: 8:30-9:30 a.m.  
Lunch: 11:00-12:30 p.m.

We welcome all children, 18 years and younger, to enjoy these meals free of charge. If parents accompany their children and would like to eat a meal, the adult price is \$2.25 for breakfast and \$3.85 for lunch.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a federally funded program operated nationally by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Minnesota Department of Education, Food and Nutrition Services, administers the program through the Lake of the Woods School.

SUMMER



# Summer Camp 2017



## What We Do

Summer Camp is open to all students who have completed Grades Kindergarten-Grade 8. There are 3 week long options for your student. Students who need credit recovery will be contacted by Mr. Novak. Class is held 9-3 daily.

## STEAM SUMMER CAMP!

You will be exploring activities in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Math all summer!

**Nature art, cooking, and gym each session! Check out below for additional special sessions!**

**\*June 19-23: Hands-on Science, Simple Machines and more!**

**\*July 17-21: Pond Science, Bulrush Planting, and STEM in music!**

**\*August 7-11: Wilderness Survival and STEM in music!**

Be prepared to get outside and learn about our school forest and pond.

**Choose one week, two weeks, or even better ALL three weeks!**

## Non-L/W School Residents

**In order to offset the cost of summer camp supplies, we are requesting a \$5 per day or \$25 per week Community Education fee to attend our summer camp. Funds are payable to L/W School.**

## Our Story

We are committed to provide quality education to our students. Our summer camp is designed to be hands-on, active learning, focused on academics, social skills and team building . Breakfast, lunch, snack, and bussing are provided. A school nurse is on staff.

**Registration Due: April 28, 2017**

## Questions!!!

**Brenda Nelson or Leah Spee**  
(218) 634-2510 Ext. 1715 or 1613  
brenda\_n@lakeofthewoodsschool.org or  
leah\_s@lakeofthewoodsschool.org

## Transportation Available!

□ Paul Bunyan Transit will be providing rides for Summer Camp at no cost to students who have completed Grades K-8. Call 218-463-3228 or 844-452-0407 Ext. 1 then 1 to see if you are in our service area and to book your ride.

□ Contact Reed McFarlane at 218-634-2510 Ext. 1302 or Jeff Nelson at Ext. 1506.



Activities and Friends Galore!



Action photography fun!

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The **Education Plus** publication is a production of Lake of the Woods School and Lake of the Woods Community Education. The **Education Plus** newspaper will be printed 3 times during the 2017-2018 school year and distributed to postal patrons in Lake of the Woods County. It is also available on our school's website [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)

If you are interested in advertising in the next edition of the Education Plus, please contact Cece Charlton email [cece\\_c@lakeofthewoodsschool.org](mailto:cece_c@lakeofthewoodsschool.org) or call 218/634-2735 ext. 1501.

## L/W School Administration:

Jeff Nelson, Superintendent/Elem. Principal  
Brian Novak, High School Principal

## Lake of the Woods School Board Members:

Lynette Ellis, (District #1)  
Tim Lyon, (District #5)  
Jeff Birchem, (District #6)  
Sharon Feldman, (District 4)  
Boyd Johnson, (District 2)  
Corryn Trask (District 3)  
**School board meetings are held the fourth Monday of each month.**

## Community Education:

Cece Charlton - Coordinator  
Leah Spee - Asst. Coordinator  
Lisa Beckstrand - Pool Coordinator  
Muriel Crandall - Paraprofessional  
Nicole Gate-School Readiness Instructor  
Jeni Krause - Parent Educator

## Community Education Advisory Council:

Jeff Nelson, Ken Moorman, Sharon Feldman, Nicole Gate, Lisa Beckstrand, Jeff Birchem, Kristi Bowman, Amber Zemke, Darlene Jenson, Tammie Doebler, Sunny Dorow, Emily Durkin, Steve Johnson, Nancy Jewell, Leah Spee, Jaimie Boretski-Lavalla, Cece Charlton and Brian Novak

## Community Education Meeting Dates:

November 8, 2016 ITV Room 4:30 p.m.  
January 10, 2017 ITV Room 4:30 p.m.  
March 14, 2017 ITV Room 4:30 p.m.  
June 6, 2017 ITV Room 4:30 p.m.



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## Summer hours:

Mon/Wed - 5:00 a.m. –9:00 p.m.  
Friday - 5:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Tues/Thurs - 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Saturday - 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Hours are subject to change.

## Census Information

Lake of the Woods School is updating school census information. Census numbers help determine the amount of levy funding that our Early Childhood Program receives from the State of Minnesota. When you are listed on our census, you will be notified of Early Childhood Screening dates and will receive important Early Childhood and Kindergarten information. Please call the District Office at 634-2735, ext. 1501.

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# A Ticket to Read

For the past 5 Years, Mrs. Mai has raised funds by selling nutritional snacks in her classroom. The first year the funds were used for the purchase of new Bears uniforms and gear bags for Gretchen Thompson’s students as they headed to the Special Olympics. The Ticket to Read program was thought up by Carrie Hasbargen, school Librarian; and Marilyn Mai, high school English teacher, as both are avid readers and love to share their enjoyment of reading. Jerry Mord joined the team and made it possible for them to reach their goal. Howards Oil, Jerry Mord, gave the treats at cost so the profit margin was better. At times, he gave the items without charging for them. Because of his generosity, last year, Jerry Mord was named “A Friend to Education” by the Lake of the Woods teachers Association. Without Howard’s Oil, this program would not have been possible.

Ticket to Read was a great success, as \$3300.00+ was raised for books at the ‘Buy One Get One’ (BOGO) Book Fair at Lake of the Woods School this past week. The goal this year was two tickets for each elementary student, including elementary grades 1-6,

kindergarten, and early childhood classes. The set goal was met with the help of a large donation from Mr. & Mrs. Birchem, of Williams. Each student was given 2-\$5.00 tickets, as well as tickets for the teachers to get books for their classrooms. The students were able to pick out 3-4 books each. There was also a drawing for 5-\$20.00 gift certificates for the Elementary teachers. The following teachers were the lucky recipients of the BOGO Book Fair gift certificates: Sarah Pierson, Amy Potts, Bobby Jo Castle, Kathy Nordine and Amy Kemen.


Money was donated throughout the year to different school sponsored activities, but after Christmas, all proceeds generated by Mrs. Mai’s fundraiser was used to purchase tickets for the Ticket to Read program. The students are very aware of what the money is used for and support the program whole-heartedly.

Remember to stop in at Howard’s Oil and thank Jerry for his generous support of our students.




## Kindergarteners write short story

*Save the Mono titi Monkeys: A Story from the Rain-forest*, is a short nonfictional narrative that the kindergarten has written together in the style of author, Jeanette Winter. Students first read two of Jeanette Winter’s books, Wangari’s Trees of Peace and Biblioburro to learn what subjects she likes to write about and how she illustrates the pictures in her books. Then, they researched the plight of the Mono titi monkeys in Costa Rica. Using that information, each student wrote a sentence about the monkeys in their book along with an illustration! In the picture, students in Mrs. Stanton’s class are holding up their contribution to the book before it was put together.




Save the Date  
Community Education  
Holiday Extravaganza  
November 18, 2017



## Williams Public Library

350 Main Street  
Williams, MN 56686  
218-783-7211

Monday through Thursday,  
1:00-4:30 p.m.




## Baudette Public Library & Media Center

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P.O. Box 739  
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218-634-2329

Monday-Friday - 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Saturday - 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

The Baudette Public Library will have a Summer Reading Program that will run June 14-August 9, 2017. We will have Story Time during these dates on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. There will be 2 major summer programs: Margo McCreary’s Puppet Wagon on Wednesday, June 7 at 10 a.m. and Mad Science of Minnesota on Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.



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# Retiring...

Deb Carlson



For the past 33 years, art teacher Deb Carlson has shared her interests and talents with students of all ages and abilities at Lake of the Woods School. Now the time has come for Mrs. Carlson to retire, marking the true end of an era. Literally thousands of students have benefitted from her expertise and encouragement in an impressive array of media, including drawing, painting, jewelry, basketry, carving, felting, Native American beadwork and leatherwork, ceramics, stained glass, Ukrainian eggs, and folk art of all kinds, just to name a few!

Mrs. Carlson says that she will always remember how welcoming the school and community were when she first started teaching here, in the old school, and the great support that she and her students have received over the years. She refers to “the wonderful staff and talented students” who have made her career so enjoyable. When asked for highlights of her teaching career, Deb mentions the “energy and collaborative spirit of the early Olympics,” the annual Art Show to share her students’ talent, the many beautiful proms that she has helped plan and decorate, and

the honor of being chosen by her peers as the 2008 Teacher of the Year at Lake of the Woods School.

As for retirement plans, Mrs. Carlson intends to spend more time with her parents in Bemidji, her siblings in New Mexico, Alaska, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, and her daughters in Bemidji and the Cities, as well as friends near and far. She says she has “a big bucket list of things I need to see and do” in many different places in the world. She also looks forward to more time for painting and creating in her beautiful home studio, as well as sharing that space with friends and offering opportunities to others “who are enthusiastic about art and want to learn new skills or hone some old ones.”

Lake of the Woods School is so fortunate to have had Deb Carlson, a true artist herself, teaching here for these past years. All students take art at some point and the art program offers a variety of popular electives. Students of all abilities and interests have been welcome in the Art Room: “Art teaches so many things, but the most important is confidence in thinking creatively. Artists celebrate diversity and appreciate all kinds of people who are different from ourselves.” We thank you, Mrs. Carlson, and we will miss seeing your ready smile. We will always appreciate all you have done for the students and staff of Lake of the Woods School and for this community. Enjoy your retirement - you deserve it! - Submitted by Deb Perala

Marilyn Mai



I began my education by going to Rainy River Community College. I had no idea where that would lead me, but I just knew I needed to get an education. I was very unclear as to what I wanted, but after my first semester, I knew I wanted to teach! I had a great love of reading and wanted to share that with my son and others. After Rainy River came Bemidji State University. I obtained my BS in English Language Arts.

I started my teaching career by moving to Ortonville, Minnesota. I spent 5 years there teaching all grade levels, 7-12, as well as journalism, photo-developing, drama and speech. I then took a job in Sebeka, Minnesota, where I taught for 4 years. I had 7th grade, journalism on ITV with three other schools, speech, drama, and a night class in quilting.

At the end of my fourth year, I was hired by Lake of the Woods School where I am in my 19th year of teaching. It would be year 20, but as I was cut in 2002, so I went to Gambell, Alaska for one year where I taught English and one section of Art! I was shocked, as I couldn’t draw a straight

line even with a ruler, but they had other ideas. I actually surprised myself! Each night I studied the material they had and each day I taught what I had studied the evening before. It was exhausting, but very gratifying. While in Gambell, I completed my Masters in Education on line from the College of St. Scholastica, and took some Alaskan history classes. Dolly Sillooka, the head cook at the school, and Jessie Koonoocka, a teacher of the Siberian Yupik traditions both adopted me. They gave me a Siberian Yupik name, “Kinggoolieopuckgh” and taught me to do skin sewing. That year was hard, but very rewarding. It was an unbelievable experience, and I am still in contact with the many friends I made there.

After my year in Gamble, I came back to Baudette and have been here ever since. I will continue to make my quilts and mittens, and will miss the field of education. I have always believed, when it is your time to retire, you will know it. Well, I know it is my time.

For 29 years, I was paid to do what I love, to teach. My run as one of the Lake of the Woods English teachers was fantastic. I have had the pleasure of working with some of the best teachers that I have ever met. I am very proud of my time here at Lake of the Woods, and will miss the many students that have filled my days.

-Marilyn Mai

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Elaine Sunne



I moved back to Baudette in the summer of 1992 with my daughter, after completing a Teacher Licensure program for elementary education. My plan was to substitute at Lake of the Woods School and, if I was lucky, land a full-time teaching job. Sadly, after two years, that wish did not come true, so I left Baudette for another job, managing a clothing store in Red Wing, Minnesota. My experiences at the old school and the first year at the new school, during that two years, were filled with wonderful teaching experiences and at times, memorable moments, such as the day I walked into Mrs. Eaton's first grade room and flashed back to my own presence in that very classroom as a first grader in a brand new school. I was shocked to realize how small the room was; I remembered it as being much larger and more intimidating.

I returned to Baudette in the summer of 1997, with my daughter, who was now starting grade 9. My goal this time was different, I had given my daughter two choices on where she wished to attend high school and she had chosen Baudette, so my goal was to try substitute teaching again and hopefully supplement my income with other jobs, which I was able to do for two years. I landed a long-term subbing job in the Warroad High School, teaching business classes, which fit right into my bachelor's degree and business experience, and then I worked for the University of Minnesota Extension service 4-H program. As part of that job I researched fundraising opportunities so each fall I beam with pride that the Fruit, Meat, and Cheese fundraiser I recommended 19 years ago is still raising money for 4-H programs.

My teaching career in Special Education, at Lake of the Woods Schools, began in the fall of 1999, when I accepted a position as a Special Education teacher, with the understanding that I was hired on a waiver and I had to go back to school for Special Education licensure. Over the course of the next three plus years, I commuted to Bemidji to attend night and summer classes to earn licensure in the areas of Emotional Behavior Disordered, Specific Learning Disabilities, and Middle School Social Studies.

I have worked with students from Kindergarten to grade 12 and I have taught everything from beginning reading to high school English, math, science, and history. I have worked with a variety of students, some for as much as eight years. Occasionally, I see some of my former students in the community and I am always happy when they wave or stop to visit with me. As I said to one former student recently, "I like to think that in some small way I helped to make you the fine adult you have become." My mission when I went into education was to hopefully make a difference in the lives of the students I would teach. I feel I have accomplished that mission for many students. I will miss celebrating the successes of my students and watching many of them make that last walk, at the end of their senior year, to receive their diploma.

In closing, a thank you needs to be given to the many teachers and administrators, past and present, who have given me guidance and support during the 22 years that I taught school, as well as the many paraprofessionals who have worked with my students each and every day for the past 18 years, and the support staff who helped me with everything from computer problems to fixing chairs. I will miss that team spirit as I venture forth in my next career venture. - Elaine Sunne

Gretchen Thompson



After spending more than 38 years as a special education teacher, Gretchen Thompson is retiring. Gretchen started her teaching journey at Lake of the Woods School in the winter of 1979 as a substitute teacher at both the Baudette and Williams schools. The next fall she took a teaching position at Babbitt High School for two years before moving to Arizona and accepting a teaching position at Buckeye Elementary School. Gretchen taught in Arizona for the next fifteen years before returning home with her husband, Jim, and accepting a special education position at Lake of the Woods School. Gretchen has been teaching at Lake of the Woods School for the last 21 years. She has always felt that it was special to be able to teach in the same school that she attended, K-12<sup>th</sup> grade.

Gretchen has mixed emotions about retiring. "I will miss the students and my colleagues, but I will not miss the burden of the unending paperwork in special education!" "I'm looking forward to traveling and being able to come and go as I please." "I also enjoy golfing, fishing, gardening, painting, and reading so now I will have much more time to pursue these hobbies." - Gretchen Thompson

Monica Buegler



Please join us in thanking Monica Buegler for her seventeen years of hard work and dedication to our school's Food Service Program. Congratulations on your retirement, Monica. Enjoy! You will be missed!





### Save the Date

August 21-26, 2017

### Snow White

This activity is made possible in part by a grant from the Region 2 Arts Council through funding from the Minnesota Stage Legislature.

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On Tuesday March 14th, Mrs. Jerde's students celebrated Pi day with....Pies! Beckett Hanson, Thor Lein, Kaylene Olson, Sunshine Smith, Gabe Olson, Tim Johnson, and Nicholas Delvecchio worked hard at baking pies to prepare for the event. Some of the pie flavors included: candy bar pie, turtle pie, hot fudge pie, pecan pie, and pecan brownie pie. The pies, along with coffee and punch, were served by the students to faculty and staff. In addition to enhancing their baking skills, Mrs. Jerde's students practiced their math and social skills. They definitely did a wonderful job at making faculty and staff feel at home and relaxed while they enjoyed these decadent pies and beverages!



## “Wacky Wednesday”



Lake of the Woods Kindergarteners took a field trip to the Baudette Public Library on "Wacky Wednesday". They celebrated Dr. Seuss' 108th birthday by reading his book "Wacky Wednesday" with librarian Mrs. Pelland and by wearing "wacky" hats! Students also learned about the programs that the library offers the young readers in the Baudette community and even got their own library card!



Emma Brandon, Talia Frahn, Cheyenne McDowell, and Luci Peterson of Lake of the Woods School found out this week that they are all winners in the Up North Legacy Coloring Book Contest! The contestants were asked to submit a black and white line art drawing within the theme of *Up North* by Friday, October 16th, 2016. The Arrowhead Library System then selected a minimum of one drawing from each library to be published in their Legacy Coloring Book.



Lake of the Woods Elementary students helped support their high school's NHS, Students Council, and STUDs groups by donating gently used shoes to children in need overseas. The used shoes will be sent to the SOS Children's Village Orphanage in Athens, Greece when 30 Lake of the Woods students and chaperones go on their Greece and Italy trip this year! A special note was placed into each pair of shoes by the elementary students in recognition of Random Acts of Kindness Week that was celebrated at the end of February.



Mrs. Johnson's 4th graders at L/W Elementary celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Week which takes place February 12th - 18th. Students baked cupcakes to share with each other and made thank you cards for their bus drivers and faculty and staff members to say thank you for all that they do!

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Jim Robinson to instruct oil painting class  
August 7-9



This class will be an oil painting class in the direct painting method. The instructor, Jim Robinson is a classically trained artist and has been an instructor for many years. This class is sponsored by the R2AC and the Lake of the Woods Art Guild.

More information about Jim Robinson can be found on his web site <http://www.theartacademy.net/jimrobinson.html>

Anyone interested in more information about the class or in registering for this class may contact Deb Carlson at 783-5551.

*This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*



Community Education quilting class with Audrey Olson

PRAIRIE FIRE CHILDREN’S THEATER



Prairie Fire Children’s Theater will be presenting "Snow White" from August 21-26, 2017 at the Lake of the Woods School auditorium.

The auditions will be on Monday, August 21st starting at 8:00 a.m., rehearsals will run Tuesday thru Friday. All children must be 7 years of age by August 21st. Performances will be on Friday, August 25th at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 26th 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendars for this upcoming event sponsored by Pequana Playhouse. There is no cost for your child to participate in this production, but there will be a minimal charge at the door for the Friday and Saturday performances.

*This activity is made possible in part by a grant from the Region 2 Arts Council through funding from the Minnesota Stage Legislature.*

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Lake of the Woods  
2017- 2018

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Sept	19
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Student	172

December (16)				
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January (21)				
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No School for Students and Staff

Inservice No School for Students

2:35 Dismissal for Students/Inservice for Staff

Parent/Teacher convergences

Quarter 1 ends November 3 (42)

Quarter 2/Sem 1 ends January 18

Quarter 3 ends March 23 (43)

Quarter 4/ Sem. 2 ends May 25

August 28-31 Teacher Inservice

January 15 Teacher In-service Day

May 29 Teacher Inservice Day

Emergency Cancellation/Snow

September 4 Labor day
September 5 First Day
October 19 & 20 MEA
November 6 Deer Day
November 10 Observance
November 16 P/ T Confer-
November 21 P/ T Confer-
November 23 & 24
December 25 - 29 Christ-

January 15 MLK Day
February 16 & 19 Winter
February 19 Presidents'
February 20 P/T Confer-
February 27 P/T Confer-
March 29 -- April 2 Easter
May 25 HS Graduation
May 25 Last Day for Stu-
May 28 Memorial Day

Save the Date

Community  
Education  
Holiday  
Extravaganza

November 18, 2017



7th Grade Bookmobiles

Mrs. Mai's seventh grade was very busy making their Book Mobiles, fashioned after the independent novel that they had read. Gathering pictures and items that represented their novel, and the characters within, took some time. When they started assembling the mobiles, they were visited by Mr. Novak and Mr. Nelson. The students were excited for the visit and the discussions about their art work.

Northern Farmers  
Cooperative Exchange

Est. 1936

- Fertilizer Sales
- Chemical Sales
- Seed Sales
- Fertilizer Application
- Grain Marketing

275 State Highway 11 East  
Williams, MN 56686  
218/783-2215

Band ensembles perform well at competition

Superior awards were earned by the Brass quintet: Gunner Ferrier, Tanner Nordlof, Denton Thompson, Colton Erickson, and Shania Thompson; the trombone duet of Paul Rivard and Wyatt Erickson; the Jazz combo of Lauryn Nordine, Josh Haataja, Ethan Haataja, Wyatt Erickson, Paul Rivard, Emma Stimpfl, and Josh Birchem; and the clarinet duet of Emma and Sonia Stimfl.

Bringing home an Excellent was Junior quintet; Tavi Peterson, Bailey Kristjansen, Cassidy Lucek, Wyatt Erickson, and Shania Thompson; and the mixed duet; Annie Schiro and Julie Quo.

For school announcements, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



**New head coach kicks off softball season**

By Tessa Solo

After last season, recent head softball coach, Brett Johnson, stepped down from the position. In the spring of 2017 Tracy Dunn was hired as the new head coach. Tracy had played ball in Lindstrom, MN for the Wildcats in past, as a two-year starting catcher.

Coach Dunn said, “My Senior year we finished second in our section!” Trach was a three sport athlete in high school playing tennis, basketball, and softball. She graduated from UMD in 2011 with a BA degree in Marketing and minors in Economics and Communication. Tracy has been an umpire for the Bears in the recent seasons and has been umpiring since the age of 15.

Assisting along her side Jody Johnson,

is helping her out at practices. Using her pitching skills from high school, she will be a huge asset to the program from her years pitching for the Bears.

This year the girls will be starting their first season game against Northome/Kelliher. Marla Carlson is back as junior high softball coach.

Other spring sports starting up include, baseball with Mr. Sell as head coach. Their first game was at home with vs. Blackduck, and track’s first meet is at Bemidji State. Coach Storbeck and Coach Jerde are back for 2017. Last but not least, boys and girls golf is going to kick off their season in Warren/Alvarado/Oslo against Stephen/Argyle.

**Accepted to Harvard**



Congratulations to Lake of the Woods Senior, Emma Stimpfl, on her acceptance into Harvard University's premedical program. Emma is an active leader in her school and community through the National Honors Society and Student Council where she is the Vice President. She is also on the track team, trap shooting league, one act play, music, and hockey and volleyball stats! In her free time, Emma takes advantage of everything Northern Minnesota has to offer which includes: snowmobiling, fishing, and hunting. She also enjoys finding homes for animals when she volunteers at her Aunt's animal shelter in Bemidji. Emma applied to several other colleges and universities including Dartmouth, University of Pennsylvania, Notre Dame, USC, Stanford, Princeton, Yale, and Johns Hopkins where she’s waiting for a response.

**NHS puts on the annual blood drive**

The LHS annual blood drive as on Wednesday, March 15, in the multi-purpose gym, which was a location change. It was a huge success. The National Honor Society encouraged many students and faculty to donate blood. There was a total of 45 people that signed up to give blood!

NHS students not only gave blood but they registered the donors and served snacks to people afterwards to rebuild their strength and hydrate their bodies.

Student Council President, Jordan Sonstegard, said, “It was nice to see so many students and faculty help donate, and help organize this event.”

Senior Jake Fish donated blood last week, “It felt good to save a life.” One motivation for students to donate is getting their red cord at graduation, it recognizes those who have donated three times and thus, helped save lives.



**Stimpfl makes All-State**

By McKena Wilmer

Senior Emma Stimpfl has made quite an achievement at our school. She is the third student in the past thirty years to be an All-State band member. She has been playing the clarinet in school band since sixth grade. All-State is not easy to get into, and you have to be very talented in order to perform with the other top selected students in the state. Emma sent in a recorded audition, and she was accepted last April. She attended the camp over the summer and was able to practice and perform with professional clarinet players. It was a great opportunity and awesome accomplishment. Stimpfl said, “All-State was a goal I always had but never thought I would make it happen. Being able to work with professionals who showed us how to play with such detail was so beneficial; it was like playing with a good college level group. Definitely memorable. “



**To view your student’s meal account balance, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)**



INFORMATION

FOR PARENTS

IF YOUR FAMILY LIVES IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

- In a shelter
- In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation
- In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station
- Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

*Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.*

**Your eligible children have the right to:**

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
- Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
- Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
- Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference and is feasible.

*\* If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.*

- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.
- Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your children's needs.

*If you believe your children may be eligible, contact the local liaison to find out what services and supports may be available. There also may be supports available for your preschool-age children.*

Local Liaison

Joyce Beckel, LSSW

218-634-2510 ext, 1554

State Coordinator

Roberto Reyes

651-582-8302

If you need further assistance with your children's educational needs, contact the National Center for Homeless Education:

1-800-308-2145 \* [homeless@serve.org](mailto:homeless@serve.org) \* [www.serve.org/nche](http://www.serve.org/nche)

“Thank you, Knights of Columbus”!



For years the local "Knights of Columbus #36582" having been donating money toward items and activities that help our special needs students at Lake of the Woods School. Each spring these gentlemen give up hours of their Memorial Day weekend to sponsor their annual "Tootsie Roll Drive." They have worked especially hard over the years to make sure that the money that they raise stays locally here in our community. Gretchen Thompson is holding another check provided to her from the "Knights of Columbus" council. The Lake of the Woods School, special education staff, and special students of Lake of the Woods School would like to extend a huge "THANK-YOU" to the council for all their support both past and present!

“Do you recycle?”



Do you recycle? Just ask these kindergarteners on ways that you can reduce, reuse, and recycle common household items. They have been working hard to get the message out to Save Planet Earth! They decorated paper bags and wrote a sentence telling consumers how they can be more Earth friendly. Their bags will be used in the checkouts at Doug's in Baudette to be distributed to customers to get the message out!

LAKE OF THE WOODS SCHOOL COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Holiday Craft & Vendor Extravaganza

SAVE THE DATE

November 18, 2017 From 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

In the Commons/Big Gym

For Community Ed activities, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



L/W School Phenology



The first meeting of the Lake of the Woods School Phenology was Monday, April 10th. The Phenology Club meets regularly to collect data on the phenological changes in the North Woods of Minnesota. The "North Post" is our nickname as this is the most northern location in the state that this type of data is collected! The club includes students from grades three through six. They work with Minnesota Phenologist John Latimer, Retired Conservation Officer Jeff Birchem, and Ms. Spee to learn more about the dynamics of the flora and fauna in our area!

Art Club

Lake of the Woods students Jonathan, Ali, Tatum, Angel, Danika, and Kathrine are pictured having some fun in the after school Art Club. The Club met every Tuesday with those students that filled out a permission slips and had approximately 50 students enrolled! The class was free for the students and all art supplies were provided! Ms. Ellis, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Dorow, and Ms. Anderson taught the students about the color wheel and worked on creative art projects.



Bryce is ready to catch some insects!



Attends Beginner Band Festival

Bailey Husbands, daughter of Joe and Sam Husbands, was selected and attended the Minnesota Band Director's Beginner Band Festival, on April 8th, in Fergus Falls. Bailey was among over 100 students in the two bands who were either in their first or second year of band. She already wants to go back next year! Bailey is in fifth grade at Lake of the Wood School and plays flute.




Cooking classes



Every Tuesday after school, December and January, L/W Elementary students in the cooking club gather with Mrs. Baade and Ms. Anderson to whip up something tasty in the kitchen. On the menu this week was ziti, chicken fried ride, and for dessert, leche dulce cake. The best part is enjoying the wonderful meal after all that hard work! Jacob and Zachary agree!



The kindergarten class celebrated their 100th day in school with some fun treats! They are officially "Zero Experts" as they can count to 100. These kiddos have been working hard all year to get to this point...Congratulations!



**Friends, Fun and Food 2017!**

Summer meals are available to all kids age 18 and younger at NO COST at Lake of the Woods School.


To eat, just show up!

June 19-23, July 17-21, August 7-11

**Breakfast: 8:30-9:30 a.m.**

**Lunch: 11:00-12:30 p.m.**

The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



For the pool schedule, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



# Law Enforcement demonstrate life jacket safety at school

Take a Kid Fishing organization sponsored a presentation by Deputies, Ben Duick and Brad Abby, of the Lake of the Woods Sheriff's Office. They demonstrated the proper use of PFD (personal flotation device) and the variety of PFD's available. Deputy Duick also demonstrated their cold water rescue suit.

This event was held on Monday, May 1st at the school pool for all elementary students in grades K-6. Sponsors of the event were Lake of the Woods Sheriff's Department, Lake of the Woods School, Take a Kid Fishing, Baudette Rotary, and McDonalds.



## Creativity Festival

L/W 5th through 8th grade students traveled to Bemidji State University for the annual Creativity Festival sponsored by the Northwest Service Cooperative. This is a one-day event designed to celebrate the arts, nature, science, creativity and encourages self-expression, critical thinking, and creativity! Amazing Animals was one session that 7th grader Alana Mullen really enjoyed. Alana is pictured here holding a Madagascar Hissing Cockroach that was brought in by the Headwaters Science Center in Bemidji. Samantha Kalk and Alexis Anthony enjoyed the session titled Clay Spoken Here. The river banks in Red Lake Falls have exposed clay beds that can be used as art material. Samantha and Alexis transformed their clay into their own creation!



To view the District Calendar, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)




# Community Education/Pool Classes/Activities

## Community Ed Class Registration

Registration forms for Community Ed spring/summer classes/activities will go out to all elementary students at Lake of the Woods School and registration forms may also be picked up in the Elementary, High School, Pool and Community Education offices. A registration form is also included in this paper. **Class registration and payment is required.** Many classes have a minimum number of people needed to offer the class, and if enough people have not registered and paid **one week prior** to a class, the class will be cancelled. **All checks are to be made payable to Lake of the Woods School (American Funds only).**

## T-Ball

 Practice for T-Ball will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The season will run approximately from June 6 - July 13, 2017. Players will learn the fundamentals of throwing, hitting and base running. Wear appropriate clothing, tennis shoes or cleats, bring a baseball glove and a water bottle.  
Cost: \$15.00/resident; \$20.00/non-resident

## Farm ball


Players will work on the basic fundamentals of throwing, hitting, fielding and base running. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The season will run approximately from June 6 - July 13, 2017. Wear appropriate clothing, tennis shoes or cleats, bring a baseball glove and a water bottle.  
Cost: \$15.00/resident; \$20.00 non-resident



## 10U Softball

The season will run approximately from June 6 - July 13, 2017. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Players will learn the fundamentals of playing softball. Please bring tennis shoes or cleats, softball glove, a water bottle and wear appropriate clothing.  
Cost: \$25.00 resident/\$30.00 non-resident

## Baseball

 Players will work on the basic fundamentals of throwing, hitting, pitching, fielding, base running and be exposed to basic baseball strategy. Practices for baseball will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. The season will run approximately from June 6-July 13, 2017. Wear appropriate clothing, tennis shoes or cleats, bring a baseball glove and a water bottle.  
Cost: \$15.00/resident; \$20.00/non-resident

## Piano Lessons Just For Me!

This course is geared toward students that are interested in expanding their musical abilities. Piano lessons will cover beginner, intermediate, and advanced students. Instructed by Heidi Olson, these piano lessons will instruct the beginning student in basic piano knowledge, note reading, technique, and music theory. As the student progresses, the course will become more specialized to meet individual needs. Come learn to play the piano, sharpen musical skills, and have a great time in the process! Individual sessions of 1/2 hour each. Session length varies. Students will need to have a piano or keyboard available to practice on a regular basis. Students will need to purchase piano instruction books from the instructor  
Cost: \$16.00 per lesson payable in advance. Sorry, no refunds for missed lessons.  
Teacher: Heidi Olson  
Location: Elementary music room or choir room

## Adult Weight Room Membership

Call Cece in the Community Education Office for more information: email [cece\\_c@lakeofthewoodsschool.org](mailto:cece_c@lakeofthewoodsschool.org) or 634-2735 ext. 1501.

## Summer Band Lessons

Lake of the Woods Band Department is offering summer band lessons the week of August 21-25, 2017. Students entering fifth through twelfth grade are eligible. Each registrant will have five private lessons with Mrs. Tange. School instruments are available for use. Registration fee is \$40, plus cost of lesson book and/or music. Students will bring home pamphlets in May with more information. All lessons taught by Liz Tange in the band room.

## Adult Basketball League

Dates: Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Location: Big gym  
If you have questions, please call Cece at 634-2735 ext. 1504.

## Elementary Boys & Girls Basketball Camp

Campers will develop all of their basketball skills – shooting, dribbling, rebounding and defense. Over the course of the camp, your self-confidence will grow along with your skills and overall appreciation of the game.  
Dates: July 31-August 3, 2017  
Time: 8:00-10:00 a.m. – Grades 1-3  
10:00-12:00 noon – Grades 4-6  
Fee: \$25.00/resident; \$30.00/non-resident  
Location: Big Gym  
Coach: Richard Merriman



## Adult Basic Education

For more information on ABE (Adult Basic Education) Classes, please contact:  
Kirsten Fuglseth, Adult Basic Education Coordinator  
114 West First Street  
Thief River Falls, MN 56701-1911  
Phone: 218-681-0886  
Email: [kfugleseth@nw-service.k12.mn.us](mailto:kfugleseth@nw-service.k12.mn.us)  
*Must be 16 years old or older and not enrolled in secondary school.*

## Walking Track - The Lake of the Woods School is locked during the school day

During the school year walkers must sign in in the elementary office, or the high school office or the District Office and receive a visitor's pass.  
During the summer months, please sign in the pool office or the district office.  
The walking track is open Mon/Wed/Fri 5:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Tues/Thurs 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. (during pool hours).

## Lake of the Woods School Facility Use, Policies, and Procedures

The Community Education Department coordinates use of all school facilities and equipment beyond the regular school day. School functions take priority. School activities may be scheduled subsequent to approval and the affected party will be notified if that situation occurs. The use of facilities is governed by policies and regulations approved by the Board of Education. **No activities will be scheduled on legal holidays.** For more information contact the Community Education Office.

Lake of the Woods Community Education is always looking for qualified and interested community members to teach a class or activity in their field of expertise. If you have a suggestion for additional programs that would enhance the current offerings or are interested in teaching a class, please call:

Cece Charlton, Community Ed Coordinator at 634-2735 ext. 1501 [cece\\_c@lakeofthewoodsschool.org](mailto:cece_c@lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



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*Must be 16 years old or older and not enrolled in secondary school.*

**The Big, Small and Multi-Purpose Gyms**  
**will be locked and closed**  
**from June 26 thru July 7, 2017**  
**for floor refinishing**

**For Community Ed activities, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)**



# L/W Running Bears



The Lake of the Woods Running Bears met for their first run on Tuesday, April 18th. The Running Bears program is for students in grades 3 through 7 who want to learn more about the lifelong sport of running. Students will meet weekly until the end of school! They will experience trail and track running, aqua jogging, strength training, yoga, a mini-triathlon, and proper nutrition. Students will be setting personal goals depending on their own level of fitness. The culminating event will be competing in the Willie Walleye 5k on June 3rd.

# Jugglers perform



The Hanson Family visited Lake of the Woods Elementary on Thursday, May 4th. They are a family performance group that specializes in juggling and riding unicycles. They even broke the world record for the fastest 3 ball juggler...520 catches in one minute! Not only were they fun to watch, but they had the elementary students on the edges of their seats during the entire performance!

# Lego League Jr. Club



Lake of the Woods Elementary 2nd and 3rd graders have been meeting after school every week for Lego League Jr. Club with Mrs. Krause and Mrs. Dorow! Using basic engineering concepts and information on animal habitats, students use legos to build models of animals that they may encounter in different environments such as a zoo, farm, or backyard! Lucas Holen, Geno LaValla, Jordyn Matthias, and Ellianna Jacobsen are seen here working hard to build their models from their sketches. Just like the real engineers, students learn how to use scientific methods to plan the structure and function of their model. We look forward to seeing these scientists at work in a few years in Robotics Club.



**Elementary Bear Cub books have arrived!**  
**Not too late to buy one!**  
**\$12.95 cash or check payable to Lake of the Woods School with note for Elementary Yearbook and bring to your child's teacher.**

Mrs. Cindy Hanson has past yearbooks for sale ranging

from \$12.95 to \$5.00

Please contact her at 634-2735 ext. 1552 for more information.



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Sarah Guy-Levar, artist in residence, teaches water color painting class



Sarah Guy- Levar came to teach us about with watercolor painting on cold pressed ground. It was an artist in residence program set up through Kellie Pelland at the Library. Everyone enjoyed it. Community was invited and Carol Erickson did join us.

Students design iPOD amplification system



Do you find yourself trying to turn up the music on your iPOD, but it is already at the maximum volume? Well, try no longer! These L/W 5th graders have engineered a simple solution to amplify the sound from our iPODS: cups and the cardboard tube from wrapping paper. The cups acted as the speakers and the cardboard tubes acted as the resonator. They used styrofoam and plastic cups of different sizes and cardboard tubes of different lengths. What were the results? Here is what a few had to say: Brooklyn Hasbargen stated that "the loudest sound came when the speakers were close together". Jaynie Ferrier also commented, "When the speakers were far apart there was less sound amplification". Lastly, Devin Friemoth stated, "We also used tiny cups, but they had less amplification than the big cups". So, if you ever find yourself in that situation, take the advice of these 5th graders and build yourself your own iPOD amplification system!

Read Across America Week



Last week Lake of the Woods Elementary students celebrated Read Across America Week. They kicked off the week with a "Be a Happy Camper Book Fair" Family Night on Monday February 28th. The elementary library hosted the book fair during school hours throughout the entire week. Students were able to purchase new books and teachers created a classroom wish list where parents donated some of the books on their list!



The Lake of the Woods School Special Olympic team competed at the Special Olympic competition in Warroad on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Athletes from the elementary and high school competed in running events, jumping events, and throwing events. Coaches, Gretchen Thompson and Patty Jerde, shared, "we are expecting great things from our athletes. We are always excited to see how well they do. The athletes have worked hard and always enjoy the competition."

Athletes that have graduated and would like to compete at Special Olympics in the future, should contact Mark Washburn at [218/634-1749](tel:2186341749) or [nmarkb@hotmail.com](mailto:nmarkb@hotmail.com). He is the coach for athletes no longer attending school at Lake of the Woods. Contact Mark if you would like to get involved as a coach or volunteer.



To download the 2017-2018 District Calendar, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



# Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Baudette Willie Walleye**  
June 2 & 3, 2017

**June 24, 2017**  
Triathlon- Sponsored by Triple A Booster Club  
Lake of the Woods School

**Lake of the Woods Hockey Camp**  
June 26-July 8, 2017

**Lake of the Woods County Fair**  
July 12-15, 2017  
4-H events will be judged on Thursday July  
13th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon.

**William’s Back Home Days**  
July 7-9, 2017

**Pacesetter Volleyball Camp**  
July 24-26, 2017

**Prairie Fire Children’s Theatre**  
August 20-26, 2017

**Jim Robinson Classical Painting Class**  
August 7-9, 2017

**Community Band**  
Questions can be sent to Liz Tange.

**Junior Golf**  
Ages: 4th grade thru 12th grade  
Location: Oak Harbor Golf Course  
Fee: \$10.00 includes lunch, payable to Oak Harbor Golf  
Course  
Time: Thursdays, 8:00 a.m. - noon  
Questions: 634-9939 or 434-1001

**4H Livestock Quality Assurance and Ethics Workshop**  
Livestock Quality Assurance and Ethics Workshop to be  
held June 6th at the 4-H building at the County Fair  
Grounds, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All youth partici-  
pating as a State Fair 4-H livestock exhibitor in beef,  
dairy, sheep, swine, poultry, rabbits, meat and dairy goat  
and lama must have completed the a Livestock Quality  
Assurance and Ethics workshop. Certification is required  
prior to county fair qualifying show and is good for three  
fair seasons. The level of training required is determined  
by the grade of the youth at the time the training takes  
place.  
Note: Since 2006, pre-State Fair age 4-Hers are recom-  
mended to be certified.

**Laketrails Base Camp**, located on Oak Island, MN,  
offers wilderness canoeing and camping adventures for  
teens, 13-18. Nine-day sessions include time in Base  
Camp before and after a 5-6-day canoe trip into the Cana-  
dian waters and islands of Lake of the Woods. Key activi-  
ties include canoeing, swimming, fishing, campfires, and  
games. Bus transportation from Roseau, MN is included  
in the fees along with meals and camping equipment. No  
prior canoeing or camping experience is necessary.  
**Scholarships are available for northern MN youth at  
\$310.** Registration forms and brochures are available at  
the Lake of the Woods High School and Community Edu-  
cation offices. For more information please contact Sue  
Lemm, Camp Director at 218-783-4181 or 800-450-6460.  
Additional information is available on the Laketrails web-  
site at [www.laketrails.org](http://www.laketrails.org).

*\*Adult canoe trip is also offered at \$525. Please contact  
the Laketrails office for details.*

**4H Special Events Day will be July 8, 2017.**  
If you enjoy a fashion show, cooking contests performing  
arts, or if you like demonstrations and beautiful quilts,  
then Special Events Day should be your new favorite 4-H  
event. Where can you see all these great projects and per-  
formances, you ask? The First Lutheran Church at 7:00  
p.m.

**4H Shooting Sports and Wildlife Camp**  
Shooting Sports and Wildlife Camp will begin  
on Monday, July 24 with registration from 10-10:30  
a.m. Campers will be released at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday,  
July 25.  
WHO: Youth currently or completed grades 4-8. All par-  
ticipants will be expected to enroll as a 4-H member, sign  
the parental consent to handle fire arms or air guns, and to  
abide by the Minnesota 4-H policy and guidelines.  
WHAT: Youth will explore disciplines of the Minnesota 4  
-H Shooting Sports & Wildlife Program with Certified  
Instructors in: Archery, Air Rifle, Air Pistol or BB Gun,  
and Wildlife. Other activities the youth will enjoy include  
4-H ATV safety training, fishing, canoe, paddleboats, and  
kayaks, swimming and building friendships.  
REGISTRATION DEADLINE & COST: June 30, 2017-  
\$60 includes a lodging, meals, equipment, T-shirt, and  
activity materials. Lake of the Woods County 4-H Leaders  
Council will pay \$30 of registration fee. \*Registration is  
non-refundable, substitutions allowed. Registration forms  
can be found at your local 4-H office or website. Checks  
should be written to: UMN- SSW CAMP, and mailed to  
your local 4-H Office.

**4-H X-Camp (Exploration Camp)**  
A camp for middle school youth (grades 6 - 8) to learn  
new skills and knowledge from University of Minnesota  
faculty and staff. An opportunity for youth to start plan-  
ning their future and get a taste of what life is like living  
on a college campus. Registration deadline May 26th.  
Contact 4-H office or online for registration forms.  
June 13 - 15 at the University of Minnesota Crookston.

**4-H YELLO!**  
Youth Exploring Leadership and Learning Outloud!  
(YELLO!) is an exciting and fun, citizenship and leader-  
ship conference planned and facilitated by the Minnesota  
4-H State Ambassadors. YELLO! brings together over  
300 youth from across Minnesota and the nearby region to  
hear motivational speakers, take part in hands-on activi-  
ties, engage in a service-learning project, and explore fun  
and educational opportunities in the region. Participants  
get to meet other youth across the region and plan for ac-  
tion in their home communities through a youth-teaching-  
youth model.

During the week, the participants will engage in leader-  
ship activities and a service-learning activity to put into  
practice some of the skills they learn. Additional activities  
will allow youth to hear from nationally-recognized key-  
note speakers, engage in opportunities to meet other  
youth, learn some dances, and have a field trip experience  
in the Twin Cities!

**Who:** Youth grades 6 through one year past high  
school.  
**Where:** 4-H Building at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds,  
1412 Cosgrove Ave., St. Paul 55108  
**When:** June 14-17, 2017  
**Cost:** \$225  
Fee covers food, housing, activities, transportation and  
admission for a field trip and service project, an event  
chaperone and a t-shirt.  
Contact your [local 4-H office](#) for scholarship information,  
or to inquire about potential transportation to the event  
(additional charges may apply).  
**Sign up** online through your [4HOnline](#) account. If you are  
not a current 4-H member, you are welcome to attend.  
Contact your [local 4-H office](#) to enroll.  
**Deadline to sign up is May 12!**

**4H MQHA’s Boot Camp**  
MQHA’s 2017 Boot Camp, an intensive three-day pro-  
gram for 4-H members, features sessions on Showman-  
ship, Trail, English Equitation, Western Pleasure, Horse-  
manship, English Pleasure and Games. The 2017 event  
is June 13-15 at R&J Arena, Verndale, MN. Space is lim-  
ited. Clinic sessions, stall bedding, all meals and snacks  
are included in the registration cost of \$225. Register be-  
fore June 1st to avoid late fees.





## Take A Kid Fishing

## June 21, 2017

## LAKE OF THE WOODS SCHOOL COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Holiday Craft & Vendor Extravaganza  
SAVE THE DATE

November 18, 2017 From 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
In the Commons/Big Gym

For Community Ed activities, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



American Red Cross Swimming Lessons 2017

Session 1—June 5th-16th  
8:30-9:00 am-preschool  
8:30-9:00 am-Level 1  
9:00-9:30 am-Level 2

Session 1B—June 12th-16th  
10:00 am-Noon- Levels 1 & 2  
10:00 am-Noon-Levels 3 & 4  
10:00 am-Noon-Levels 5 & 6

Session 2--July 10th-21st  
9:00-9:30-Preschool  
9:00-9:30-Level 1  
9:30-10:00-Level 2  
9:30-10:30-Level 4  
10:00-10:45-Level 3  
10:30-11:30-Level 5  
11:00-11:30-Preschool  
11:30-12:30-Level 6

Evening Classes-July 10th-28th  
(Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays)  
5:30-6:00 pm-Preschool-M/W/F  
5:30-6:00 p.-Level 1 M/W/F  
6:00-6:30-Level 2 M/W/F  
6:00-6:45-Levels 3 & 4 M/W/F  
6:30-7:30 pm Levels 5 & 6 M/W/F

Pre-registration and Pre-payment are required

Registration  
Please use the registration form and return it to the L/W pool @ P O Box 310, Baudette, MN 56623. Only those registered and paid are guaranteed a spot in a full class. Be sure to register in advance or call the pool office @ 634-2735 ext. 1101 before coming to class—classes may be full, cancelled or rearranged-depending on the number of students.

Costs  
Resident/Non-resident  
Preschool-\$30.00/\$32.50  
Level 1-\$30.00/\$32.50  
Level 2-\$30.00/\$32.50  
Level 3-\$35.00/\$37.50  
Level 4-\$40.00/\$42.50  
Level 5-\$40.00/\$42.50  
Level 6-\$40.00/\$42.50  
The pool office has a complete list of skills for each level. Please feel free to contact the pool office for this information

Pool Information  
Lisa Beckstrand  
Pool Coordinator  
Pool Office 634-2735 ext. 1101  
Email: lisa\_b@lakeofthewoodsschool.org



The pool will be CLOSED June 19th-30th for maintenance

\*\*Private Lessons\*\*  
Contact the pool office for information regarding private lessons for any age.  
Cost of lessons:  
Preschool-Level 3-\$50.00  
Levels 4-6-\$60.00  
All private lessons will be 1/2 hour for 5 days

Summer 2017 Pool Schedule  
June 2017 Open Swim Hours  
Monday-Friday—Open Swim 5:30-8:30 pm  
Saturday/Sunday—Open Swim 1:00-4:00 p.m.  
Monday/Wednesday/Friday—Adult Swim 5:00-8:00 a.m.  
The pool will be closed June 19-30  
July and August 2017 Open Swim Hours  
Monday/Wednesday/Friday-1:00-3:00 pm  
Tuesday/Thursday 5:00-8:00 pm.  
Saturday/Sunday—Open Swim 1:00-4:00 p.m.  
Monday/Wednesday/Friday—Adult Swim 5:00-8:00 a.m.  
Schedule subject to change.



Pool Fun  
Fun pool activities are being planned for kids during the month of August. Watch for details.

The Big, Small and Multi-Purpose Gyms will be locked and closed from June 26 thru July 7, 2017 for floor refinishing

Water Exercise  
starting June 5, 2017  
Mondays/Wednesdays  
4:15-5:15 p.m.

Birthday Parties at the Pool  
The pool is a wonderful place to hold birthday parties! Parties can be held during open swim hours and the observation area overlooking the pool is a great place to have games and lunch as part of your celebration. If you have any questions or would like to book the pool and observation area for your next party, call the Pool Office at 634-2735 ext. 1101.

Lake of the Woods School Pool  
P O Box 310  
Baudette, MN 56623  
634-2735 ext. 1101; Email: lisa\_b@lakeofthewoodsschool.org

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Swim Lesson Session \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Swim Lesson Level \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (eve) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that myself/dependent is adequately covered by insurance \_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

I certify that we do not have insurance, but will assume all legal responsibility for accidents or injuries arising therefrom.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

For the pool schedule, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)





## From The School Nurse...

**Tiarra Shaw, L.P.N., School Nurse**  
School Nursing Office: 218-634-2510 ext.1522  
CHI LakeWood Health, Public Health Office: 218-634-1795

### Things to think about during the lazy days of summer

#### Be prepared for fall sports

The lazy days of summer will fly by and before we know it, practices for fall sports will be starting. Is your child ready? A sports qualifying physical exam is required at least once every three years for student athletes. Sports physicals are offered at CHI LakeWood Health Clinic by appointment, call 218-634-1655. Let's keep our young athletes safe to participate in sports. For more information about sports physicals, visit the Minnesota State High School League website at [www.mshsl.org](http://www.mshsl.org), click on **Resources** at the top and then click on **Medical/Physical**.

#### Be prepared for the next school year

As the anticipation for the first day of kindergarten, junior high or college builds for our children, parents can help to make sure they are ready. Children entering kindergarten, seventh grade, and post-secondary institutions have immunization requirements that must be met before classes start. These requirements are part of Minnesota's School Immunization Law. To get a copy of your child's immunization record or if you have questions regarding what vaccines your child needs, please call me at the school or at CHI LakeWood Health. If you have concerns regarding the cost of vaccines, please check with your healthcare provider or public health to see if your child is eligible to receive immunizations at a reduced cost through the Minnesota Vaccines for Children Program.

Finally, a reminder that if your child needs to have medication administered during the school day, an authorization form needs to be signed by you and your medical provider. Medication needs to be in its original container. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me during the school year at Lake of the Woods School, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am and 3:00 pm or at CHI LakeWood Health.

## Get Active This Summer!

Walk or run with the Baudette-Lake of the Woods Chamber of Commerce in the annual **Willie Walleye 5K** on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Lake of the Woods Ambulance Garage or the **Firecracker 5K** on Tuesday July 4<sup>th</sup> at the Baudette Depot. To download a registration form or to register online, go to [www.baudettelakeofthewoodschamber.com](http://www.baudettelakeofthewoodschamber.com).

## Services available at CHI LakeWood



- Ambulance Service
- Assisted Residential Community
- Behavioral Health
- Cardiac Rehab
- Care Center - *Long Term Care*
- Clinic
- Diabetes Resource Center
- Emergency Room
- Fitness Center
- Hospital
- Laboratory
- Public Health
- Radiology and Imaging
- Tele-Medicine
- Therapy Services
- Respite Care
- Same Day Surgery
- Sleep Studies
- Swing Bed
- Visiting Nurse
- Visiting Specialists
- Wellness Education

**218.634.2120**  
**[chilakewoodhealth.com](http://chilakewoodhealth.com)**

600 Main Avenue South  
Baudette, MN 56623





## Lake of the Woods School Early Childhood Family Education

Nicole Gate-School Readiness Instructor ~ Jeni Krause Parent Educator  
Muriel Crandall Paraprofessional  
218-634-2510 ext. 1564  
nicole\_g@lakeofthewoodsschool.org



### What is the difference between School Readiness and ECFE classes?

**School Readiness** is our weekly school classes for 3-5 year olds. The number of days a week for classes are determined by enrollment numbers, and funds. Each school year schedule can vary depending on these two factors.

**ECFE (Early Childhood Family Education)** classes are offered a couple nights a month in our regular classroom and are generally about an hour and half. These classes are **open to all** parents and their children ages birth to 5 years old. There is always a parent topic discussed at each class. A couple of examples may be birth order, sibling rivalry, and discipline topics.

### Who can attend the ECFE events?

ECFE events are open to all parents and their children ages birth-5 years old. Events are offered many times through the school year. Some examples from this past year are as follows: Fall Spook Walk, Carnival, Swim Night, and Preschool Prom.

### Do we have fundraisers to help benefit our classes?

If our program classes are in need of extra funds we may have parents assist with a fundraiser event.

### Please send registration form by June 30, 2017 to:

Nicole Gate

3008 24th St. NW, Baudette, MN 56623

\*A copy of your child's updated immunization records is required with your registration.

### ECFE REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Classes registering for:

School Readiness \_\_\_\_ ECFE \_\_\_\_



### New Baby? New to the Area?

It is important for our future planning to have all children in our census files. Census numbers help determine the amount of levy funding that our Early Childhood Program receives from the State of Minnesota. When you are listed on our census, you will receive updates from our Early Childhood program and pre-school information for kindergarten. Please call Deb at 634-2056 ext. 1518.

## Head Start/Early Head Start Recruitment

Northwest Head Start and Early Head Start are currently recruiting children and families in the Lake of the Woods area for the 2017-2018 program year.

Head Start and Early Head Start are family focused, comprehensive, child development programs which provide activities, information, and assistance in the areas of education, health, family services, and parent involvement. The Lake of the Woods Head Start program serves eligible families with children who are 3-5 years old on or before September 1, 2017. This center-based preschool program currently operates four days per week at the Lake of the Woods School. If you are interested in applying for the Lake of the Woods Head Start program, call Pam Horntvedt or Katy Johnson at the Lake of the Woods School 634-9963 or the main Head Start office in Badger at [218-528-3227](tel:218-528-3227) or [1-800-568-5319](tel:1-800-568-5319).

The L/W Early Head Start program is for eligible families who are expecting or have children birth to 3 years old. The EHS program consists of weekly home visits and socializations twice per month at the Lake of the Woods School. To apply for the LOW Early Head Start program call the Lake of the Woods EHS office 634-2897 or the main Early Head Start office in Badger at [218-528-3227](tel:218-528-3227) or [1-800-568-5319](tel:1-800-568-5319).

### Vacancies: 2017/2018 School Year

at Lake of the Woods School

No Closing Date-positions open until filled:

Full time cook

Substitute teachers, paras, custodians, cooks and bus drivers.

Contact Doug Sell for more information. Letter/Email application/ interest may be sent to: Doug Sell, Lake of the Woods School, P.O. Box 310, Baudette, MN 56623,  
Fax: 218-634-2750,  
Phone: 218-634-2735 ext.1504  
L/W schools is an E.O.E.

**To view the District Calendar, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)**



# Art Show

Lake of the Woods School art students in Ms. Carson's class showcased their favorite works of art that they created this year. The elementary and high schools were invited to see their amazing pieces.



Keirra Krause painted an oil on canvas. She enjoys painting plants, animals, and colorful scenery.



Christen Johnson painted a bird on canvas.



Max Million created fictional figurines from clay.



Ella Warnke showcased her scratch art of a chipmunk.



Lisa Langrehr painted a self portrait of her enjoying the sun on her face.



Amy Lein painted a beautiful sunset.

# WIN time project

L/W 3rd graders have been working hard over the past few weeks on their Influential Native American research projects during WIN time! The last part of their project was to present their research projects to the high school students which they did on Thursday. They were definitely nervous, but the high schoolers warmly invited the 3rd graders into their classroom and not only listened to their presentation, but provided them with helpful feedback! Junior Kierra Krause attentively listens to Rylan Brandon's speech and Kendal Bowman listens to important feedback on her presentation.



To view the pool schedule, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



# Bear Cub Swim Club

The Bear Cub Swim Club was a huge success!!! We had 56 swimmers from kindergarten-6<sup>th</sup> grade! This program ran from mid-February through March, and at the last day we had a swim meet! It was a blast watching our young swimmers work hard on their swimming skills, learn about competitive swimming and also about pool etiquette. The Bear Club Swim Club was coached by Chelsea Anderson, Jaime Lavalla, Cara Brekke and Lisa Beckstrand.



## “SAVE THE UPC BAR CODES”

Residents of Lake of the Woods County and surrounding areas, the Lake of the Woods School continues to collect UPC bar codes from “Our Family Labels for Learning” products.

“Our Family Labels for Learning” UPC bar codes are worth 5 cents apiece. A bundle of 500 will earn the school \$25.00 in cash. Often they will run a promotion where each bar code is worth 10 cents apiece.

The main thing to remember is to save the “UPC” bar code” for this program. We no longer save the front of the label for any program. If everyone in the surrounding area would do this it would help provide many different products and items for our students that attend Lake of the Woods School. Simply cut, save and turn the “UPC bar” into Lake of the Woods School, Lake of the Woods Foods or the Brink Center.

Please contact Patty Jerde at 218-634-2510 ext. 1623 or [pat\\_j@lakeofthewoodsschool.org](mailto:pat_j@lakeofthewoodsschool.org), if you have any questions about this program. Thank-you for helping the students at Lake of the Woods School.

**Vacancies:** Athletic/Activities Coaching 2017/2018 School Year at Lake of the Woods School  
No Closing Date-positions open until filled:

Baseball Head Coach	Girls Basketball Head Coach
Boys Basketball Head Coach	Girls Basketball Assistant Coach
Boys Basketball Junior High Coach	Football Assistant Coach

Contact Brian Novak for more information. Letter/Email application/interest may be sent to: Brian Novak, Lake of the Woods School, P.O. Box 310, Baudette, MN 56623,  
Fax: 218-634-2750,  
Phone: 218-634-2735 ext.1420  
L/W schools is an E.O.E.

To view the District Calendar, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)



# Take a Kid Fishing - June 21, 2017



Kids ages 9-14 are encouraged to register for the upcoming Take-a-Kid Fishing event, which will be held on Wednesday, June 21st at Sportman's Lodge on beautiful Lake for the Woods! This will be our 20th year in hosting the event. Typically, over 100 kids attend the event, which is free of charge. This program has been designed to teach kids the joy of fishing...a lifelong activity!

**This year we will be offering a bus ride to and from the event—The Lake of the Woods School will be the pick up and drop off point. The pick up time will be at 9:00 am—meeting by the main entrance and the drop off will be at 5:00 pm at the main entrance.**

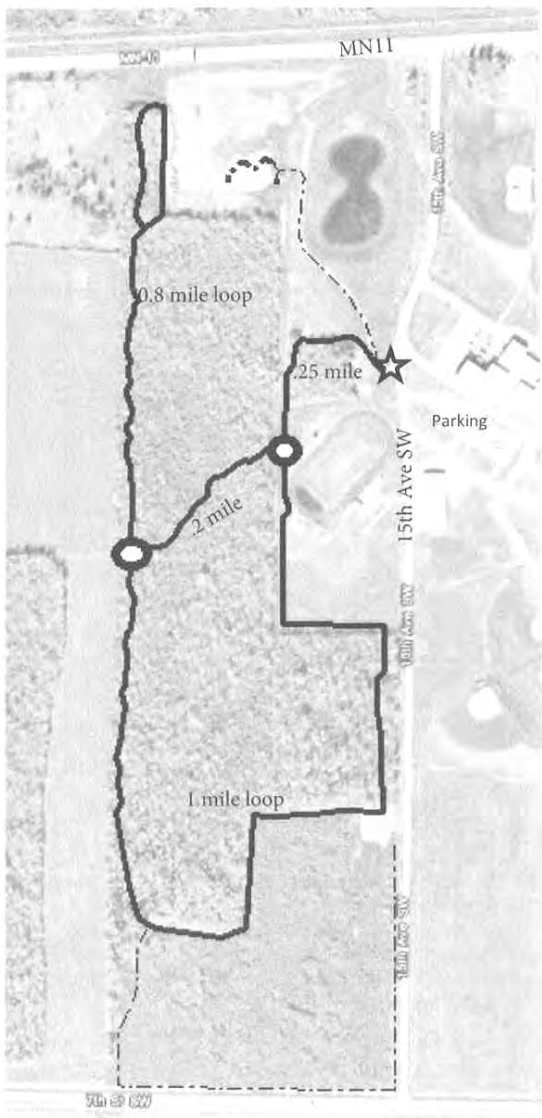
The day begins with all participants meeting out at Sportman's Lodge at 9:00 a.m. (no earlier PLEASE) and meeting up with their guides for the day. Each young fisherman or fisherwoman will receive a bag of goodies, which includes drinks, snack and a variety of prizes. All boats will return to shore by 4:00 p.m. to enjoy a delicious cookout for everyone, including family members. This is a great time to hear all the wonderful fish stories. Each child has the chance to win some wonderful door prizes, which include: fishing rods, life jackets, tackle boxes, coolers and other neat fishing gear. Two kayaks will also be given away. Winners of last year's kayaks were Jaynie Ferrier and Trey Canfield.

Registration forms are available in the Community Ed office or the pool office at the Lake of the Woods School or on-line at [www.lowlakekidfishing.com](http://www.lowlakekidfishing.com). Registration deadline is Thursday, June 1st. **This year we are holding an early bird registration drawing...all registrations received or postmarked by June 1st will be entered into a drawing to win a Kayak** If you have any questions, please call Lisa at the pool office at 634-2735 ext. 1101 or li-



# Hiking Trails

## Agassiz Lowlands Environmental Learning Area located at Lake of the Woods School



- Parking**  
Parking is available in the main school parking lot.
- Trailhead**  
★ The trailhead is located at the trail kiosk, west of the main parking lot.
- Trails**  
Trails designated with a solid black line are currently groomed. Snowshoers, please stay off to the sides of the trail.  
Trails designated with a dashed line are not groomed
- Trail grooming is done by volunteers. A trail pass is not required.
- We welcome your feedback as we continue to improve the trails at the school forest.

# Box Tops News

In an effort to raise additional funds for the school, Lake of the Woods School participates in the General Mills Box Tops for Education program. The program has been an easy way for parents and students to earn cash that goes directly to the school.

**How the Program Works**

- There are more than 250 participating products in 42 food and non-food categories that carry Box Tops on their packages
- Each Box Tops clip is worth 10 cents
- It's simple. Buy the products; clip the Box Tops; send the Box Tops to school.
- Each enrolled school has a Box Tops Coordinator that counts and submits all of their Box Tops to General Mills
- Enrolled schools receive two checks a year from General Mills to purchase the things they need like: books, school supplies, playground equipment, teacher training, computers, etc.
- Enrolled schools can earn up to \$20,000 every school year by clipping Box Tops from participating products
- Schools can also earn through Bonus Box Tops offers, sweepstakes, and contests
- There are not any restrictions on how each school spends their check. Schools can spend their cash to buy what they need most

If community members are interested in contributing to the Lake of the Woods School efforts by donating Box Tops, please contact Amy Potts at [amy\\_p@lakeofthewoodsschool.org](mailto:amy_p@lakeofthewoodsschool.org) or by phone at 218-634-2056 ext. 1553. Box Tops may be sent to the school in care of Amy Potts at PO Box 310, Baudette, MN 56623. Visit [www.btfe.com](http://www.btfe.com) to find ideas and resources and more information about the Box Tops program.



Lake of the Woods School would like to say "Thank You" to the American Birkebeiner Foundation. The Enrichment and Community Ed program received a grant that has allowed us to buy the school's first 6 pairs of cross country skis, boots, & poles for elementary sized kids! Gage Dorow (pictured) was the first to try them out on Valentine's Day for the Candlelight Ski & Snowshoe Event at the Lake of the Woods School Forest. The event featured a 1 mile candle lit trail through the forest. The pool and hot tub were open if participants wanted to warm up afterwards.

**For school announcements, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)**



# Outdoor Club

## Maple Syruping



Jeff Birchem explains to the Lake of the Woods School Community Education "Outdoor Club" the biology, chemistry, and physics that are involved in the collecting and making of maple syrup.

The L/W School Community Education Outdoor Club collected maple syrup on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. This activity was open to students in grades 4-12.



Students collected maple sap in the city of Baudette and then were able to try firsthand the art of boiling maple sap down to syrup using the High School Lifeskills Room.

## Bear's Den Visit



In late November, DNR Wildlife Manager, Gretchen Mehmel, while conducting surveys in an old growth forest area east of Norris camp, discovered an active hibernating bear den site. She contacted "advance telemetry systems" ((ATS) personnel, who graciously donated a telemetry neck collar to place on the bear to monitor its habits and become part of an on-going DNR research project.

On February 8<sup>th</sup>, one of the coldest days of the winter, DNR researchers Dave Garshalis and Andy Tri, along with students from Lake of the Woods School Community Education "Outdoor Club" and other DNR personnel tranquilized an adult female (weight# 140 pounds) and her yearling male cub (#32 pounds.) Outdoor Club members assisted researchers in obtaining pertinent information on the bears, including weight, hair samples (DNA) body fat, and general overall condition. The adult female was fitted with a telemetry collar, and both bears were given ear tags. DNR researchers gave the students a wealth of information on bear biology.

Andy Pierson (Outdoor Club advisor) and 3rd grade teacher at L/W school along with his 3rd grade class will "adopt" these research bears into their classroom studies and follow their movements and habits with ongoing updates throughout the school year.

Lake of the Woods 3rd graders visited Mr. Jeff Birchem and Mrs. Gretchen Birchem at Norris Camp on Friday, March 17th. In class, students have been preparing to create their own Lake of the Woods Environmental Blog. Blogs are meant to be both informational and fun to read for the general public. So, our 3rd graders have prepared interview questions for wildlife experts Jeff and Gretchen, to learn more about the wildlife in our area. We began the day with a nature hike to the bears den. We also listened carefully to Gretchen's bear transmitter to see if the bear was walking around before we headed to its den. Walking quietly into the woods, every student got a glimpse of the bear in hibernation! Along the way, students were able to make observations of the pileated woodpecker holes in several trees and even came across a ruffed grouse winter hiding spot marked by several droppings. . Then, we toured several buildings in the Norris CCC Camp where the workers slept and showered. During our lunch cookout, our 3rd graders were able to conduct their interviews to learn more about the amazing work that Jeff and Gretchen do around the camp!

## Mr. Pierson's 3rd Grade Environmental Blogs



**To view activity/athletic schedules, visit [www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsschool.org)**



Thank you – to alumni  
actively serving  
and to all Veterans.

“Treats for Troops”



Last week the Lake of the Woods Elementary got a pleasant surprise! Aaron O'Connell, Specialist with the Army Reserves 825 Quartermaster Detachment out of Willmar, MN, visited every elementary classroom to say "Thank You!"

Specialist O'Connell was one of thousands of soldiers that received the 390 pounds of candy donated by Lake of the Woods Elementary students for "Treats for Troops" last October. Candy and letters were sent to Kuwait and Iraq with the 960 Quartermaster Company. Specialist O'Connell said, "my favorite candy were the Sprees!" He collected and read all of the letters with several other soldiers. "It really boosted our spirits!" Students are thankful for the service that Specialist O'Connell has given to keep our country safe!

Triathlon  
Sponsored by Triple A Booster Club  
June 24, 2017

The Lake of the Woods School Triple A Booster Club is sponsoring a Triathlon on June 24, 2017. The Triathlon will start out at the Lake of the Woods School Pool for a 300 yard swim. A 12 mile bike ride and a 5K race will follow. There will be an opportunity for individuals to compete as well as teams. If anyone wants to help sponsor or put on this event please contact Cathy Christensen at 218-634-1856 or Chrissy Draper at 218-783-2007.

The event will be headquartered at Lake of the Woods School, 236 15th Ave SW Baudette, MN 56623.

Costs: \$35.00 for an individual, \$60.00 for a Relay Team (up to three team members.)

After June 1st it will be 45.00 for an individual, \$75.00 for a team (up to three team members) and then after June 22nd it would cost \$75.00 for an individual and \$90.00 for a team (up to three team members.)

For more details, or to register as an individual or team, check the Baudette Chamber of Commerce Registration forms tab.  
Baudette Lake of the Woods Chamber of Commerce  
P.O. Box 659  
Baudette, MN 56623  
info@baudettelakeofthewoodschamber.com



DO YOU HAVE ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR  
THE SUMMER  
AND NEED A RIDE TO GET TO THEM?

- BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
- SWIMMING
- SUMMER SCHOOL
- MUSIC LESSONS
- LIBRARY
- WORK
- SPORTS

Paul Bunyan Transit will be providing rides from  
June thru August

**AT NO COST**  
to students K thru 12 from  
7:30AM-4:30PM.

Radius of 4 miles of the city of Baudette.

Call 218-463-3238 or 844-452-0407 Ext. 1 then 1 to see if you  
are in our service area and book your ride!



3rd Graders Ella Johnson, Shalee Neumiller, Dominic Anthony, Will Tange, Dominik Washburn, Andy Higgins, and Kendal Bowman observe fish scales under the microscope to determine the age of several species of fish. Like a tree, scales show rings that indicate periods of growth. Rings that are farther apart occur when the fish grows well and there is lots of food - in the summer season. Rings that are close together occur when the fish does not get much food and grows slowly - in the winter season. Using this information, our Enrichment students observed walleye, sauger, perch, crappie, and tulipe scales to determine their ages!