

Ditch Cleaning

Student Council, Max Chapter of the National Honor Society and Sources of Strength Peer leaders cleaned ditches a mile and a half north and a mile and a half south of Max on Wednesday, May 10, 2023. They also stopped and cleaned up Ryder. It was a beautiful day for the 25 students to earn some community service hours.

SPEECH



This is Max’s second-year cooping with South Prairie for Speech. The team started the year small, with about 12 students, and ended the season with 19 competitors ranging from 7th-12th grade. Unprecedented, the coop took 12 kids to state Speech April 29th, competing in 14 events.

Gracie Rauschenberger and Josh Lindbo placed 2nd in Humorous Duo and Maddie Hogue and Natalee Becker placed 3rd in Humorous Duo for the state. Unsurprisingly, the kids are picking out pieces and duo partners for next year.

Max school library completes NDLV grant

Max School Library has completed purchase of books to fulfill the ND Library Vision Collection Development Grant that was awarded in February 2023. The grant was written to purchase fiction and nonfiction books for pre-primary and early readers collections. The primary classes enjoyed reading parties with the new books and reading buddies. With the end of school nearing and summer arriving, all the new books will be an exciting welcome when eager students return in the fall!

Library hold annual Scholastic bookfair

Spring 2023 Scholastic Book Fair was held from March 6-9. A huge thank you to all who made our book fair a success! The school earned over \$700 in profits that were used to buy books for students, classroom libraries, and the school library! The display posters and other prizes were awarded to lucky students through a random drawing.



Max students pose in front of the Ryder Bank during clean-up day



Elementary students having a great time dancing on a Friday evening in the school cafeteria.



Mrs. Bingham leading her pre-school students in song. Their theme song for Pre-K graduations was “The Solar System Song”.



The Cossack Column

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The mission of Max Public School is to encourage students to dream about their futures, believe in their abilities and assist in achieving their goals.

Superintendent Notes

The ending of the school year is quickly coming quickly upon us. Each year has it’s own story. For many the year went by quickly. The 2022-2023 school year can be remembered as a year with 6 months of winter, icy or blocked roads, day off from school, three weeks of Christmas vacation and a less than cooperative spring for sports. Who would have thought a storm would create an additional week of vacation.

This year was the first year where the school district took advantage of virtual learning in leu of a storm make-up day, and school districts have been given the option of going virtual if there is a need. Because this was something new for the school, teachers practiced virtual learning in the classroom should virtual learning be implemented. Traditionally districts build in three storm days into the school calendar, and maximize on those days. Virtual learning days will always be kept to a minimum and used as a last resort.

At the end of this school year Mrs. Roller will be retiring from the Max school after 26 years with the district. Mrs. Roller started in 1997 teaching 4th grade. In 2005 she had a dual role as she taught 6th grade and worked as the librarian. She later transitioned into the full-time librarian and remained in that position until her retirement. Mrs. Roller has been committed to the school and to her students. We will miss her dedication and hard work throughout the years. Congratulations on your retirement.

Next year boys’ basketball program will be cooped with South Prairie. Congratulations to Mr. Jade Larson and Mr. Nick Thompson for joining the Royal coaching staff. Mr. Larson will be the varsity coach, and Mr. Thompson will be the C-squad coach.

Mrs. Kramer has resigned her position as the 4th grade instructor. Mrs. Kramer will be a stay-home mom. Thank you for your dedication and hard work over the years. Miss Langlais will be moving to Florida at the end of the year and pursue her teaching career.

As I sit at my desk and wondering how can I bring this newsletter to some closure. For the Class of 2023 it means a chapter in their life will soon close, and another chapter will shortly start. For the Class of 2023 set your goals high, and be the best you can be!! It is my hope that for the graduates of 2023 that their experience at Max Public School was an enjoyable one that equipped them for college or for their life as a whole. For the faculty, staff, and administration of Max Public School we wish you the best in life for years to come. I close with this quote from a motivational speaker I had heard on a morning news program back in 2019, “I’ve always been told how average I can be, always been criticized about being average, but I want to tell you something. I stand here before you, before all of these people, not listening to those words, but telling myself every single day to shoot for the stars, to be the best that I can be. Good enough isn’t good enough if it can be better, and better isn’t good enough if it can be best.” Dr. Rick Rigsby.

Have a great summer!!!

“Your education is a dress rehearsal for a life that is yours to lead.”

Nora Ephron

COMMENCEMENTS

Max Public School

Donald L. Roedocker

Gymnasium

Sunday May 21st, 2023

2:00 p.m.

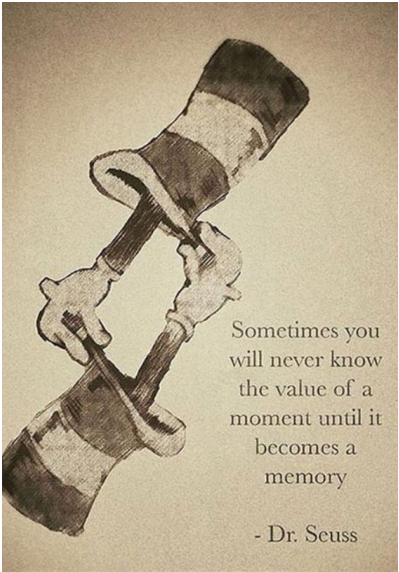
CLASS FLOWER

Rose

CLASS COLORS

Black, Blue & Silver

CLASS MOTTO







**Emily Fannik** is the daughter of Kristi and Delvin Fannik. She participated in FFA, 4H, National Honor Society, ND High School Rodeo, Band and Choir. Emily plans to attend North Dakota State University majoring in Equine Science and minoring in Agribusiness. Emily has received scholarships from Scheresky Ag Services, Rainbow Energy, Max FFA, Max FFA Alumni, North Dakota FFA Foundation, Verendrye Electric, RTC, ND Crop improvement and Seed Association, 4H Ward County, Rotary, Ag County Farm Credit Services, Max Music Boosters, Max Class of 1964, Max Farm Service, Max Faculty, Max Alumni, TriGen, the Chelsey Lies Scholarship, the Brooke Schroeder Scholarship, and the NDSU Presidential Scholarship. Emily is on track for the ND CTE Scholarship. We are proud of all your equine accomplishments, Emily!



**Timothy Wadley** is son of Misti Wills. He participated in Choir, baseball, and soccer. Timothy plans on entering the workforce after graduation. He received a scholarship from the Max Music Boosters. Keep sharing your energy TJ!!!!



**McKenzie Hauf** is the daughter of Patrick and Amy Hauf. She participated in cross country, National honor society, and track. McKenzie plans to attend the University of North Dakota to pursue a bachelor's degree in Marketing. So far she has received scholarships from RTC, Rainbow Energy Center, Great River Energy, Max Class of 1964, Max Faculty, and the UND Presidential Scholarship. McKenzie is on track to receive the ND CTE Scholarship. Keep chasing your dreams McKenzie!!!



**Mason Schumaier** is son of Carissa and Jason Schumaier. He participated in wrestling, football, and track. Mason plans on entering the workforce after graduation pursuing a career in the oil field or construction. Your hard work on the mat will pay off in your future!



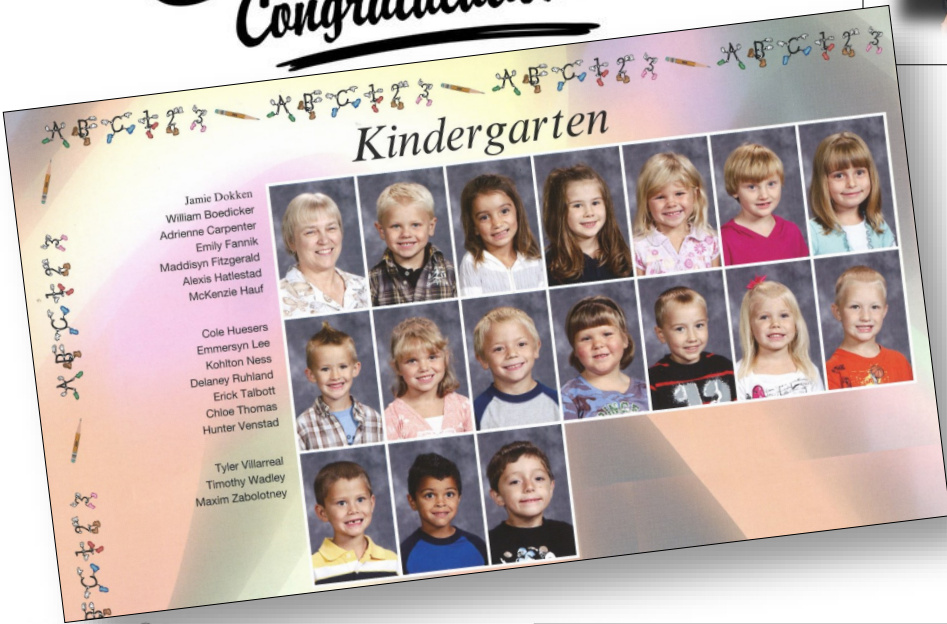
**Lora Rockwell** is the daughter of Jenn and Dean Rockwell. Lora participated in speech, drama, National Honor Society and FFA. Lora plans on attending Minot State University majoring in Communication Sciences and Disorders. Lora is on track to receive the ND CTE scholarship and received the Max Faculty Scholarship. The way you shine on the stage will never be forgotten.



**Emmersyn Lee** is the daughter of Heather and Scotty Lee. Her grandparents Candance and Raymond Iverson are with her tonight. Emmersyn participated in band, choir, drama, FFA and softball. She plans on working the Garrison Nursing home after graduation. Emmersyn received a scholarship from the Max Music Boosters. You are going to be an important part of many people's lives Emmersyn!!!



**COLE HUESERS** is the son of Lisa and Paul Huesers. He participated in football, basketball, FFA, band, and student council. Cole will be playing football at North Dakota State College of Science pursuing a degree in Liberal Arts. He has received the Max FFA Alumni scholarship. Go Wildcats!!!!



**William Boedicker** is the son of Robert and Karrie Boedicker. He participated in basketball. William plans on joining the workforce after graduation pursuing a career in the oil field or construction. We are excited to see what your future holds William!



**TREY BENNETT** is the son of Kirk Bennett and raised by David and Rebecca Boedicker. He participated in basketball, track, cross country, football, and speech. Trey has enlisted in the National Guard. He will attend Basic Training for 10 weeks and go on for AIT training for 17 weeks. Trey plans on attending MSU in the fall of 2024. He received a scholarship from the Max Music Boosters. Thank you for your future service Trey!



**Brytin Hauf** is the son of Bryce Hauf and Shawna Attwood. He participated in baseball, basketball, National Honor Society, student council, and Sources of Strength. Brytin plans to farm and ranch on the family farm. Your genuine personality will be missed Brytin!!!



**Erick Talbott** is the son of Lesli and Rick Talbott. He participated in cross country, basketball, National Honor Society, Student Council, and m-club. Erick plans on attending Minot State University pursuing a degree in Finance. He has received scholarships from RTC and River Riders. Erick is on track to receive the ND CTE scholarship. We will miss seeing you on the court Erick!



**Lexi Hatlestad** is the daughter of Jody and Gary Gullickson and Heidi Hatlestad. She participated in volleyball, basketball, softball, track and m-club. Lexi joined the National Guard as a bridge crew member. She plans on attending Minot State University in January pursuing a degree in English education. Lexi received a scholarship from the Max Music Boosters. Thank you for your future service Lexi.



Max students participate in acalympics



The 2023 Max Acalympic Team competed in South Prairie against 25 other schools from NW North Dakota. They were quizzed in Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, Science, and Current Events. With 50 points possible, they missed qualifying for the Finals in the Small School division by one point. They enjoyed the experience we look forward to attending next

year! The team consisted of: Dalaney Ruhland, Brytin Hauf, McKenzie Hauf, Erick Talbott, Emily Fannik and Delaney Hankel.

Math Pillows Project

The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and high school Geometry class teamed up to create math pillows. Many community members helped by donating time, fabric, thread, and sewing machines for us to use.



Mrs. McKinley (2nd grade) and Mr. Jade Larson (7-12 math assist student in creating quilt squares.

Students practiced identifying and classifying symmetry, reflections, and rotations within 4x4 quilt block patterns. Then they designed their own patterns and learned how to sew their quilt blocks on sewing machines. Everybody got to stuff their pillow and hand sew them closed. In all, both classes made 25 pillows and each student got to take theirs home.

Second grade has guest speaker

The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade had a fabulous guest teacher visit, Mrs. Denise Feist, a Max local. She has extensive experience with genealogy and family history collection. Mrs. Feist showed students her own family tree, school books from her ancestors, and gave each student their own family history story packet to fill out.

Students also got to see their teacher's family tree on the Family Search website and discovered Mrs. McKinley is related to several United States Presidents including Theodore Roosevelt!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class is planning a visit to the Max Museum next, to see more artifacts from history and learn more about life in the past.

Max FFA Gearing Up for State FFA Convention

The Max FFA will pack up and head to Fargo June 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> to participate in the ND State FFA Convention. Members will listen to speakers to boost their leadership abilities, compete in a wide variety of Career Development Events (CDEs), vote on important FFA business items, elect the 2023-2024 ND State FFA Officer Team, and have a little fun with fellow members from across the state of ND. Max FFA members are gearing up for the event by attending workouts scheduled in Max and across ND. Thirteen members are excited to have the opportunity to participate in this state wide event and build knowledge, skills, and grow individually in many areas of agriculture and leadership. Max FFA workouts to prepare for state FFA convention are scheduled from May 19-June 2. Members and parents of students attending will want make sure to read through the packet they received from Mrs. Huettl to be fully prepared and ready for workouts and convention. We will also say good bye to the 2022-2023 ND State FFA Officers including our very own Wyatt Kersten as he retires from his office as ND State FFA Parliamentarian. Look to the Max FFA and Max Public School website for updates on their activities throughout the week. Attending members: Shelsey Brandvold, Madison