

The Sixth Grade

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Global Warming

by John Ipsaro

Global warming has many effects on Earth. One of the effects is that the ozone layer is slowly getting a hole in the middle. This is causing the polar ice caps to warm and will eventually destroy the ice caps. If the ice caps are destroyed all the animals in the North Pole will have no place to go since their land or the ice is destroyed. Another effect of global warming is the world is slowly warming. The effect of this is that crops around the world are dying off. Another problem with this is it is causing many major droughts which makes water rare and even rarer in places like Africa where there is little water already.

How to stop Global Warming

There are many ways to stop global warming and all of them involve using less energy. Some of the is to walk to nearby places like your neighborhood pool instead of driving. One other way is to turn off lights when not in a room. Some things we can't stop like how we need coal plants that make electricity, but pump major amounts of pollution into the air. The Earth is an amazing place filled with areas humans have not yet explored so we need to use less energy to conserve the earth!

Welcome to the Cougar Courier

This is our first issue of the Cougar Courier for the 2014-2015 school year. We have a staff of students that have put considerable time and effort to share their thoughts and talents with you. **Any** student is welcome to submit an article, narrative, or poem.

It takes a month or two to gather written work and prepare for publication. As a result some articles may be "dated," meaning an article may have been written before an event and that event might have occurred before publication. We ask for your understanding. We hope you enjoy news and literary Cougar Courier.

-The Staff

Favorite Holiday Survey!

by Alexis Hotchkiss

This survey is showing the results of some of the 6th grade students favorite holiday. The holidays that were given were Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. As you can see in the chart below Christmas was the most popular with 21 votes. Halloween was the 2nd most popular with 17 votes. Thanksgiving was in 3rd with 11 votes.

Halloween	Christmas	Thanksgiving
17 Votes	21 Votes	11 Votes

Google Chrome Books

by Connor Huss

This year our school got Google Chrome Books. Already, these devices have proven to be extremely helpful to our school. They allow students to get on Pro-Core, Newsela, Sum Dog, calculation nation, and many other fun and educational websites. They even allow students to type articles like this one for our school newspaper! These Chrome Books replaced our media center computers, which got moved to the computer lab. Although Chrome Books don't have access to Microsoft Office, they are faster and since they're laptops they allow students to move around as they work. One could kind of look at Chrome Books like a mix of an ipad and a computer. The movability of an ipad and the speedy internet and keyboard of a computer.

Chrome Books don't replace ipads or computers though. Ipads have useful apps and cameras and computers have Microsoft Offices. Overall Chrome Books are a big help to our school and they have many pros, with few cons.

CUB SCOUTS!

By Micah Donaghey

Join your Cub Scout pack today.

When I was in Cub Scout I had so much fun at the meetings, the camp outs and the "Go see it's". A go see it is like a little outing where you can go to a park or the fire department. You can do the Cub Scout fundraisers which is selling popcorn, you can get cool prizes like Legos sets, marshmallow shooters, toys and cool fun survival stuff. So join your Cub Scout pack today!

Our schools Cub Scout Pack is #155.

Red Ribbon Week

by Sadie Taylor

One of our many traditions at Locust Corner is Red Ribbon Week. Red Ribbon Week was started in 1988, by a community in Calexico, California. The Calexico community wore red ribbons in honor of the death of a drug dealer.

At Locust Corner Red Ribbon week is October 27 through October 31, 2014. Our school slogan for the week is "my future is bright no drugs or bullies in sight". Monday October 27 is "Team up against drugs day". Students and staff will wear their favorite team jersey to show support. Also Monday students will sign their pledge forms to say no to drugs. On Tuesday, October 28, is "Hairs to a drug free life". On Tuesday students and staff will wear their crazy hair to show support. On Wednesday October 29 it is "follow our dreams, be drug free!". Students and staff will wear pajamas to show support. Thursday October 30 is "sock it to drugs day!". Also known as crazy sock day. Friday October 31, 2014 is "My future is bright, No drugs or bullies in sight!". The final day of Red ribbon week students and staff will wear college or future career clothing to show support. Those are a few things about Red Ribbon Week!

SCHOOL PLAY

by Aubrey Stanforth

The school play this year is going to be Sleeping Beauty. The fifth and sixth grade will be practicing and performing it sometime in spring. The main girl characters are Maleficent, Sleeping Beauty, and the three fairies. The fairies are Flora, Fauna, and Merryweather. The main boy part is Prince Phillip. It starts off when Princess Aurora is born. Evil Maleficent comes in and curses the poor princess. It turns out she will fall on a deep sleep on her 16th birthday and only a true loves kiss will save her. When she turns 16 and falls asleep Prince Phillip saves her and they live happily ever after. Don't forget to try out around Christmas break!

During the Holiday Season for What am I Most Thankful?

I am thankful for family to celebrate the holidays with
- that I am having Thanksgiving at my house. Finally, I
am thankful that I am going to see my cousins that I
have not seen in years from California.

-Micah Donaghey

I am thankful for food. During the holidays my family
always has a big feast.

-Samantha Tharpe

I am thankful for my cousin because I look up to her,
she is my role model.

-Marissa Grigsby

I celebrate my family and lots of gifts and giving. I
celebrate the fun.

-Kaleb Cochran

I am thankful for my family. I'm also thankful for my
friends, giving and getting gifts, and I am glad to be
here.

-Avery Morris

I am thankful for giving and getting gifts. I like to
watch their faces when they see my gifts. On
Thanksgiving I like to help my Grandma cook the food.
The food is delicious.

-Isaiah Bowman

Penny the Porcupine & Oliver the Owl

by Dominick Carmosino
and River Saunders

Penny the Porcupine's Side of the Story

One day I was standing at the edge of a tree
eating lunch and this stupid owl lands on my
quills. I was already having a bad day; my
twigs were moldy and my water was dirty.
So back to the story. He fell on me, so I yelled
at him and told him to get off, but he wouldn't
get off. He just said, "who". Then I said, "if you
don't get off right now I will shoot my quills at
you". He didn't so I shot my quills and I got a
hole in one. Well, I got him in his owl hole!

Oliver the Owl's Side of the Story

So one day I was sitting in my tree and I saw a
mouse. Mouse is my favorite so I went after it.
While I was chasing the mouse I fell off my
branch and onto Penny the porcupine. She told
someone to get off but I didn't know who he
was talking to, so I said, "who". She said if the
person did not get off she would shoot her
quills. Then I realized she was talking to me so
I tried, but I was stuck so she shot her quills.
So it turns out penny has really good aim
because she shot me right into my owl house!!!

Who do you agree with Oliver or Penny.

I am thankful for my family and friends, a roof above my head and food on my table. I am thankful for my mom, dad, and sisters and brother.

-Emily Fischer

I am thankful for having a wonderful family being together at Christmas. I also love giving my family gifts that I pick out for them and having wonderful friends.

-Kaitlyn Colwell

I am thankful for pumpkin pie because it is my favorite pie and I would die without it.

-Tyler McDonald

I am thankful for friends, family, food and gifts.

-Will Hess

I am most thankful for my friends and family. The reason for this is they are there for me when I need them, I can be comfortable around them, and I can be myself.

-Aubrey Stanforth

I am thankful for seeing family I do not typically see. I love seeing the home made gifts my great grandmother gives me. I love spending time with all my family.

-Cheyanne Fritz

I am thankful for my family. My family is always there for me and they are thoughtful, caring, and giving. I am so grateful to have a family like mine.

-Haleigh Honaker

Lebron James

by Seth Vining

After leading the Miami Heat to 2 NBA championships Lebron is taking his talent to another team. Can you guess what team that is? Huh? What was that, did you say the Cleveland Cavaliers? You got that right that was his rookie team and now he's back to his hometown! Do you guys think that the weather may affect his playing? I'm sure it won't but what if it did that would be interesting. I think that Lebron James has been talking to other players for them to ask to be traded to the Cavaliers so they would be a stacked team and a real playoff contender and maybe even championship worthy. For example Kevin Love was in an interview that he even said that him and Lebron had talked about going to Cleveland. Will Lebron play just as good as last year? Will the Cavaliers be playoff contenders? I guess we will play it by ear and wait and see.

Angry Birds

by Connor Huss

Angry Birds is probably one of the most successful app franchises of all time. It has not only made several apps, but also merchandise like T-shirts, pillows, and other toys. As I stated earlier they also have made several apps. A few are Angry Birds Space, Angry Birds, Angry Birds Rio, and Angry Birds Star Wars. They have made millions of dollars off of these apps and merchandise by thinking of a fun game that people would like. This is how many famous businesses have started.

The Angry Birds company has also brought the game to life. They've made play sets that are like the game. The sets come with a catapult to launch the birds and blocks to set up the pigs. Well, that's all I have to say, thanks for reading.

I am thankful for being in such a great family and school. I really love my family even though we are not all related, that is okay. I still feel like we are.
-Sadie Altman

I am thankful for not getting stuff or food but for spending time with my family, friends, and waking up another day on this Earth.

-Nolan Detellem

I am most thankful for having a great family. My family is awesome. My dad takes great care of me and helps me with my sports. My mom is loving, caring, and fun to be around. My brothers are both hilarious and so is my sister.

-Seth Vining

I am thankful for everybody that is a kind and generous person. I am thankful for the troops for serving our country. I am thankful for my family and being able to have a roof over my head; because, that is all I could ever ask for.

-Alexis Hotchkiss

I'm thankful for being with my family members this holiday season. I get to see all of my cousins and my aunt who I never get to see. It's the one time all of us are together in one big family gathering.

-Morgan Rich

I am thankful this time of season for my family. There are many things to be thankful for like gifts and getting to spend time with family.

-Dylan Cox

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

This year our school fundraiser was a success! This year Mr. Money came and talked to our school about this awesome fundraiser for our school. One of the few things he talked about was about the product we were soon going to be selling. He said this year Locust Corner Elementary are going to be selling mouthwatering Southern Living cookies and photo memories to share with your families! By then we were hungry, but wait there is more! Matt Wilhelm [a BMX rider] is going to put on a show in our school if we sell 5 items! By then we were so pumped for our great school fundraiser!

Southern Living has a wide selection of delicious cookies such as chocolate chip, oatmeal rasin, sugar, ectc. Each cookie has its own bundle of richness! Photo memories include Christmas cards, calendars, posters, and many more! Photo Calendars are my favorite! Two years ago my family gave my dad one for a present and he loved it! Now finally I was saving the best for last Matt Wilhelm! Matt Wilhelm is a three time XGame medalist, the winner of 30 Seconds of Fame and was in the semi finalist in americas Got Talent! This year's fundraiser is going to be a hit!

The Bmx Showing At LCE From Matt Wilhem

by Kaitlyn Colwell

It all started with the cookie dough sale at LCE we were rewarded with a big gift if we sold up to 5 cookie tubs we got to go to the Mat Wilhem showing it was so cool he did amazing tricks like the tornado he spun so fast on a bike doing a wheelie with no hands and he took brakes to tell us about his backround. Did you know that he was bullied when he was younger the other kids called him ears and it made him feel feel bad like he was unwanted any way that was the story about the BMX show.

I am most thankful for my vacation during Christmas Break. I go to Florida every year and I go fishing with my brothers.

-Nakiya Milton

I am thankful for having a home, family, friends, and school. I love giving and making gifts for my family and friends.

-Ruth Tvrdy

I am thankful for having Lee and my mom together and my new baby brother, Even, to take care of. Lee has been a good step dad to my family.

-Isaiah Smith

This holiday season we should all be thankful for our gifts we get, but not only gifts but our Christmas and Thanksgiving turkey, pie, stuffing, and more. We should share our thankfulness with the world around us.

-Hannah Wentzel

I am most thankful for the fact my friends and family will be around me. I know most kids what the gifts they get, an when you give them, they mostly think, “ I really wanted that.” But I am just happy to have a bed, clean clothes, a roof over my head, and food.

-Max Wyatt

Locust Corner Elementary School Yearbooks (LCE-YBS)

by Nolan Detellem

This years school yearbooks are going to look great because the best drawers in 5th and 6th grade are challenging themselves to make a yearbook cover with nice and funny looking monsters. Here are what they are using to get a image of what they want their yearbook to look like.



They are using pictures from Monsters University to inspire their drawings for the yearbook cover but they are not allowed to copyright the monsters from the movie so if they do copyright they don't have a chance for their design to win the cover or runner up positions there design will be thrown away and not even looked at.

I am really thankful to be with my family and give gifts to the homeless so they can have a happy Christmas like us. When my family comes over we don't just celebrate Christmas, but we also celebrate Jesus' birthday.

-Rachel Pope

I am thankful to be able to give gifts to my loving family. I am thankful for my family and friends, that they are here to celebrate these wonderful and happy holidays with me. I am thankful for my good health, so I am able to participate in my school fundraisers and the numerous activities I do. Hey, how ya doin'? Finally, I am thankful that God has given us the freedom to celebrate these glorious holidays.

-Connor Huss

I am most thankful for seeing my family that is coming from out of town for the holidays. I can't wait to eat the turkey and open presents and watch the ball drop this New Year's Eve. We get to see it in person.

-Raven Reeves

I am most thankful for my Xbox 360 I got for my birthday. My mom and dad got it for me. I was so happy.

-Saddie Merritt

I am thankful for Thanksgiving and having my family over at my house to enjoy the food. I am also thankful for Christmas. We all get to be with family and get presents.

-Michael Woosley

New Richmond Basketball Program

by John Ipsaro

Hello to all New Richmond basketball fans. The season is just starting and teams have been cast. The program is for 2nd through 6th grade boys and girls. If you are a first grader, you have one more year to practice, so next year you can show your skills. If you sign up, you will make a team, so do not worry. If your parent or guardian knows basketball and wants to do more than just watch from the sidelines, they can apply to be a coach. Unfortunately, if you did get a chance to join a team this year you can no longer be placed on a team. Work hard to get on a good team next year. There are some requirements to play:

- You must get good grades (Mental ability is just as important as athletic ability)
- You must come to practices which are two or three nights a week
- You must listen to your coach and follow the rules
- You should respect your teammates and your coach

I have been playing for the New Richmond basketball program since the second grade. I am now a sixth grader. I have made new friends and gained basketball skills. See you on the court!

I am most thankful for being with a family that loves and cares about me. I really do not care about presents that much. Some people do not have a mom or dad so I am just thankful for what I have like a house, a bed, and stuff.

-Stephanie Brown

The thing I'm most thankful for is my family and how we all get together over the holidays.

-Chase Hogan

I am thankful for my family, the roof over my head, and my friends. Sure I want to run away sometimes. But I am glad I never do, because I am glad I have them.

-Emily Fithen

I am most thankful for having a family and a house, but also gifts and pets. I am thankful for my friends.

-Payton Dale

I am thankful for my mother because she is always there for me and she always cooks, cleans and works.

-River Saunders

I am thankful for being able to eat Thanksgiving dinner with my family. I am also grateful that my family will be together for Christmas and that will enjoy the holiday season with my family.

-John Ipsaro

Interview with Dr. R

by Chase Hogan

You are going to go into the life of a being a principal. We are gonna hear from, yep, you got it, Dr. Rosselot.

“Why did we sell cookies instead of candy bars?” I asked.

“Well it was for 6th grade, we wanted to give them more responsibility, it also took time away from me being with you guys and the organizing was also so long that it was hard for the ladies at the front desk (Mrs. Wessel and Mrs. Haun) to organize it for you guys.” Said Dr. Rosselot

“Okay” I say.

“My second question is what are we going to do with the money raised this year?”

“This is the only fundraiser we're going to do. We are going to buy new books for the library that will show up this year in the library.”

“Great Thanks, and in that note I will say goodbye to all of my friends”

I am thankful for being able to spend time with my family in Arizona and here because some people don't get to see their family members that live in different places.

-Elissa Beineke

I am thankful to spend time with my family and friends. I'm also thankful for receiving presents and being able to give presents.

-Gracie Schweickart

The Hunt for Mythical Creatures

written by Dominick Carmosino

Once upon a time there were three hunters who only hunted mythical creatures. There were three particular mythical creatures they liked to hunt. They were dragons, griffins, and the most special were unicorns. The hunters names were Hannah, Frank, and Sara. They were all triplets born from a long line of hunters.

The dragons names were Jon, Don, and Sadi. The griffon twins names were Jo, and Tim. The unicorns names were Lexy, Aubrey, and Haven. The three groups didn't always get along though. Mostly the unicorns fought with the dragons and the griffons were the peace keepers. But when they heard about the hunters they made things work.

While the UDGG (Unicorn, Dragon, and Griffon Group) was hard at work, so were the hunters, setting up traps for certain species like the unicorns. The trap was a holographic giant. The giant was supposed to trap them in a ten foot dark hole which is a unicorns worst nightmare.

OKLAHOMA!

By Micah Donaghey

Oklahoma was a very enjoyable, exciting, and funny all at the same time. It was a play of music and action, I enjoyed the play for those reasons. Everyone on the set did a brilliant job with sets and songs alike. I had the opportunity to interview an actress from a past performance of this play. I asked her what it was like to be in a play like this, she said "I was honored to be part of such a classical musical, it was fun and I never realized how much I enjoyed performing until then."

Good job New Richmond High School!

Thanksgiving to me...

By Micah Donaghey

Thanksgiving is about having a big meal with my family. Getting to see friends, aunts, uncles, cousins and grandparents that I don't get to see very often. It is also about being thankful, not worrying about what we don't have and saying thank you for what we do have. That is what Thanksgiving is to me.

WHAT IS THANKSGIVING TO YOU?

The Hunger Games

by Connor Huss

The Hunger Games series is a great series written by Suzanne Collins. There are three books in the series, The Hunger Games, Catching Fire, and Mocking Jay. There are also three movies for each of the three books, although Mocking Jay is going to be in two parts. Part one is already out, along with the first two movies. If you haven't read the books you should, they're a great read. I would give them five stars.

Back at the UDGG base they were training to fight the hunters even though they had no experience fighting at all. The dragons had the advantage with the three dragon elements: water, wind, and fire. Since there were triplets all were born with a element. They all didn't know they had this power.

While training one day Don threw a fit because he didn't know how to punch correctly but while throwing the fit the water from the pond rose. Everybody thought it was very strange so they investigated. How they investigated was simple: "teach him something he can't figure out" said the unicorns.

The hunters setting up the traps they didn't know the sneakiest group (the griffons) were spying on them. The reason the griffons were spying on the hunters was to find the traps that would catch their groups like a bee in honey-scented glue and the only way to stop it would be to find where the traps are. But Don started to figure out the unicorns and griffons were spying on him and the hunters. The dragon triplet Sadi was in the library and found a scroll that had a prophecy in it. The prophecy states that one creature from each group shall earn a power from the three elder ones but what the griffons didn't know is that the elder race was hidden in a cave. So the griffons didn't know if they should tell the other, even though Don had power already.

One of the hunters thought he saw something in the bushes like maybe a griffon. He went to check it out. While he he did, Hannah got very mad because if he left his station the trap would collapse because he had the most important station. His station was to hold the metal gate up so when they fell in the trap they would be in total darkness!

While the griffons were running away the hunters didn't see them. Sadi was preparing to tell everybody that they had a elder but, she was very shy and didn't know how to tell them they had an elder...dun dun daaa!

THE END

The Turtle

Aubrey Stanforth and Alexis Hotchkiss

There once was a turtle named Shell and Shell was a boy but there was one thing that was really cool about him. He was a spy! He never told anyone, not even his best friend. Well.... he always did his job at night when his mom and dad were asleep. Oh, and he didn't tell them either.

He had a dog; not a normal dog, a spy dog. His dog went on all the missions. Shell went to school the next day and he got made fun of, just because of his name, but Shell did not mind. He did not mind it because they did not know that he was a ninja. Not one person knew he was a spy. Shell went to his secret spy cave after school. He would met spy dog at the fire hydrant, spy dog would take a tinkle, then the fire hydrant would open (that's their secret code to get into the cave), they would then jump in the fire hydrant, and finally start their missions.

Their first mission was to defeat paper cuts and coffee blender. It was very easy. Spy dog tinkled on paper cuts, so the paper cut got soggy and could not cut any more. Shell did boomerang and Shell hit the coffee blender's glass and the glass broke. Finally spy dog tinkled on his electric cord and his electric went out. They finished their first mission. Hooray!!!

Their second mission was next. It was about flying rainbows and cats that squirt out butter. The mission was very hard. The way Shell beat the flying rainbow by drinking the rainbow colors. Shell got full a lot so he had to take breaks. When he finished drinking the rainbow he was fatter than a hippo. Spy dog beat the cat by biting its tail and scaring her. He slipped on butter a few times but, he kept trying until he stopped her by giving her bread to close off her squirter. They

won!!

The End

New Richmond Lions

by Nolan DeTellem

The New Richmond Lions went 8-2. That was their win to lose ratio for the season. Their 2nd to last game was a close call there was 40 seconds on the clock for them to get a touchdown and they did but it tied so they had to make the field goal to win and it was close they won 21 to 19 the crowd went wild. And they won their last game of the season 21/7. And for half time at the last game they had a battle of the bands and the New Richmond marching band won. I think this year was the best the New Richmond lions ever played I think it's because of that they have new players like Gracie Schweickart's older brother Peyton Schweickart number 42.

Cheerleading

by Elissa Beineke

Cheerleading for New Richmond

When you cheer with the NR Lions it is very fun. For 6th grade you have 10 or less games. You also have competition. The competitions are really fun because you get to compete with Amelia, Western Brown, Milford, and more cheer teams. The first thing that you get to go to is expo. Expo is competition but with not any judges. You have two competitions in the season. This season we didn't win a game. That was kind of sad, although we did have some pretty good touchdowns.

Bob And Billy

There once was a man named Bob with a great vocation. His vocation is to be a manager at Apple, but let's be sure his vocation is an illusion. He really cleans up after 4 year-old birth-day parties at the circus. Bob doesn't like it when the kids throw their cake, dump their juice, and hit him with the pinata stick. His friend Billy the clown gloats about his vocation because when he gives the kids cake they throw it at Bob. Bob and Billy travel the globe doing circus acts. Billy motivates Bob not to quit the circus because their show will go out of business. Before every show they get up to 10,000 people waiting in line to buy tickets which sell for \$20 per-person and for a private birth-day party is \$200. Bob has strict orders not to interfere with the birth-day party. Bob always gets stuff stuck to his face like cake and juice stains on his clothes and in his hair. Bob gets infuriated when it happens. For Bob the question he always is asking himself is why are kids so mean they always make me cry. Bob has to clean up the floor sometimes because the kids get sick. Bob vowed not to be a bigot. Billy is a sage and slake kind of guy. The terrain they perform on is terrible. Bob hates it when the cake gets on the sealen because it falls on his head and when the floor gets stained with juice. That's the terrible story of Bob and the great life of Billy.

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