



SE Career Resource Network Newsletter

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Celebrate
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Oakes High School Hosts Steer Your Career

Students learn about careers through experiences at the Steer Your Career event on Feb 8th, 2011. NDSOCS brought twelve of their programs and 30 + staff and college students to work with the Oakes students in grades 4-12 during the day. Students and parents from surrounding communities were also invited to attend the evening session, which included a meal, hands-on break out sessions, and registration for door prizes.

This project was made possible by a collaborative effort between Sue Kleingarn, Oakes Public School, Karen Reilly, NDSOCS Enrollment Services, and Jody Breker, Career Resource Network. CTE grant funds were used for this project. **More Information and pictures are on page 3 of this newsletter.**



Coming up in the SE Region:

RUReadyND Plan of Study Workshop Valley City **Mar 2**

RUReadyND Overview @ West Fargo **Feb 24**

Career Resources—NDSU Counseling Students **Mar 8**

SEEC Administration Meeting-Lisbon **Mar 31**

CRC SE Spring Advisory Meeting **Apr 14**

SE Region Counselor's Luncheon **Apr 27**

ACT State Test **Apr 28**

ND School Counselors Association Recognizes Excellence



Bobbi Jo Jelinek, was awarded the NDSOCS Outstanding K-12 School Counselor of the Year
Bobbi Jo Jelinek, Wahpeton and Fairmount Public School Counselor, was recognized at the ND Counseling Association Midwinter Conference Awards Ceremony, Feb. 1, 2011, for her excellent service to students. She was nominated by Dan Rood, Jr. CTE Director of the Southeast Region Career and Technology Center.

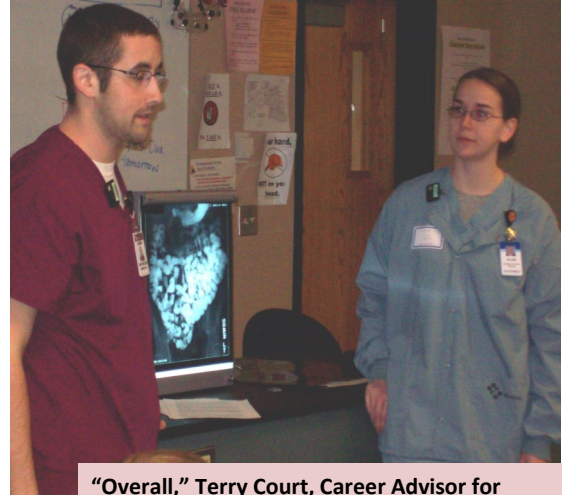
Congratulations !!!

Mary Beth Stensgard, was awarded the NDSOCS Outstanding Middle School Counselor of the Year
Mary Beth Stensgard, Carl Ben Eielson Middle School, was recognized for her excellent service to students at the NDCA Midwinter Conference Awards Ceremony, Feb. 1, 2011. Mary Beth (left) was nominated by Patti Bathie (right).



Fargo North High School has Successful Career Day

Students participated in Career Day at North High School in Fargo on Feb. 3, 2011. Students attended three different half hour sessions of their choice out of 94 career information sessions offered. Speakers from the community, representing many different occupations, talked about what they do in their jobs on a typical day, training required to obtain work in their fields, current hiring trends, favorite aspects of their work, and they answered student questions. Here are some **quotes from various students**: “The computer careers speaker was extremely helpful and interesting with specific facts about job growth.” -FN Senior; “I found this helpful because it made me aware of what I would be getting into in the future.” -FN Junior; “This Career Day helped me get a better look at careers that I am interested in and helped me know which classes I should be taking.” – FN Sophomore; “I liked the interior design speaker because she shared real life examples of her job and what she needs to do.” - FN Freshman.



“Overall,” Terry Court, Career Advisor for Fargo North says, “The Career Day 2011 at North High was a success!”

South Campus II Freshman Students Explore Nano-Science and Technology at Skills and Technology Center



Dr. Kristy Jean demonstrates to students before they dig into the small and fascinating world of nanoscience.

120 South Campus II freshman students came to the Skills and Technology Center on Feb. 4th, 2011, to learn first hand about Nanoscience and Technology. The students were actively involved in science experiments and exploring the fascinating world of the very small. Students even experienced the clean room. Paul Kolesar, South Campus II Science instructor at has been bringing his students to get this hands-on learning experience for the past three years.

WHY DO STUDENTS NEED A PLAN OF STUDY?

Students benefit by creating a plan of study for themselves because it forces them to think about how their education is directly connected to a career that is closely related to their skills and interests. Students will include courses offered in high school on their plan of study that will help them build the academic skills they need to be successful in the career they want. This is a changing document and should be reevaluated as the student's needs and desires change. Adapting and modifying their plan is a lifelong skill they will need throughout their employment career. When students feel in control of their academic choices it empowers them not only take their courses seriously but completing them successfully. Do your students need assistance in creating their plan of study? An educators workshop is scheduled for March 2nd, 2011, and I invite you to attend. Dolores Manson is hosting the 9am to 4pm workshop at Sheyenne Valley Skills and Technology Center in Valley City. Educators can go to www.nd.gov/cte/crn to register with the Career Resource Network for this workshop free of charge. Educators must bring a laptop and a course offering list to work in the afternoon session.

The Student Success Center website features a sign-in form with fields for Portfolio Name, Portfolio name, and Password. Below the form are links for 'Create a new portfolio' and 'Forgot your password?'. The page also has navigation tabs for 'Parents' and 'Educators', each with a 'Sign In' button and a brief description of the service.

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Excellent Career Opportunities
In North Dakota...
Dr. John Richman,
NDSCS President

Dr. John Richman, NDSCS President, gave a warm welcome and spoke to the group about the thriving career opportunities in North Dakota. His message emphasized high demand and high paying careers that can be achieved with a two year degree and technical training. He thanked the students and parents for taking an active role in their education and career planning. An evening meal was served to almost 200 participants from Oakes, Sargent Central, North Sargent, and LaMoure. The food was catered by the Angry Beaver, of Oakes. Several students walked away with some fantastic prizes including: **Morgan Peterson**, a Oakes High School senior won the laptop computer donated by First State Bank of Oakes; **William Witkowski** from North Sargent won the mini laptop computer donated by NDSCS Enrollment Services; **Jared Scheuring** of Oakes won the residence hall waiver with a value of \$1000 donated by NDSCS Residence Life; and **Mason Deering** of Oakes won the \$500 Scholarship donated by NDSCS Alumni. Other prizes were donated by: Bobcat, NAPA, RDO, General Equipment, Horton Industries, Oakes Hospital and Clinic, Oakes Drug, and several departments at NDSCS. Oakes Chamber of Commerce donated the bottled water for this event.



NDSCS programs working with students and parents were: **Welding, Plane Surveying, Machine Tooling, Liberal Arts, Electrical, Diesel, Construction Management, Civil Engineering, Automotive, Architectural Drafting, Applied Sciences, and Agriculture.** Financial Aid sessions were also available.



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