



# The Northern Star

2023-2024

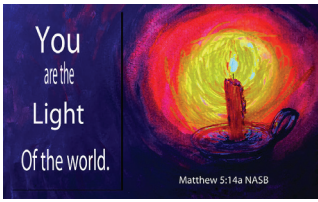
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## Open Your Eyes By Superintendent, Scott Curell

It is a temptation at times to look at the world around us and ask the question, "Why?" In the last few months, Israel has just been attacked by Hamas and many have been killed, the House of Representatives went with no speaker for a time and still continue to fight, and the leading candidates for the office of President of the United States are being investigated. I could go on but I think you get the picture. The world is quickly changing and it is getting more and more difficult to find the good. I often reflect on the question, "What will the world be like when our current student body find themselves in adulthood? How will they cope? Will they be able to withstand the increasing persecution of being a Christian?" I began to ask the question, "Where is God?"



I was recently pondering some of these questions one Friday morning. In a matter of hours, I began to see some of the answers to my question. One of our teachers told me about a special devotional time with our middle school students. The devotional was based on I Samuel where Samuel takes a stone and names it Ebenezer meaning "The Lord is with us." Students then piled their own stones in a pile and testified on how God had helped them at different parts of their life. Later that same day a different teacher spoke to me about a special worship time in one of her classes. She was amazed as the Holy Spirit moved within the class as they worshiped. At the end of the day, a parent reminded me of the kindergarten class setting up lemonade stands during Dalmac and making over five hundred dollars for the Bienvenidos Project to buy beans and rice for children in the Dominican Republic.



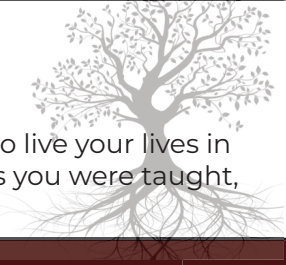
God is working- we just need to open our eyes. Indeed, there is a lot of darkness in this world. God has called us to be light. Matthew 5:14 says, "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden." God is preparing the students of Northern Michigan Christian to be the light in a dark world. The importance for Christian Education is so important to prepare our children to be that light.

Do you know families that are interested in Christian Education? Will you join me to pray for the students of Northern Michigan Christian School? Will you pray for revival among our school community? Will you consider making a monetary investment in something that will have eternal results? I would love to talk to you about how Northern Michigan Christian School challenges minds, nurtures hearts, and develops gifts for God's Kingdom in the lives of our students. My prayer is that with God's help, we light up the world.

## 2023-2024 Theme: Rooted in Christ - Growing in Faith

### Spiritual Fullness in Christ

<sup>6</sup> So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. Colossians 2:6-7



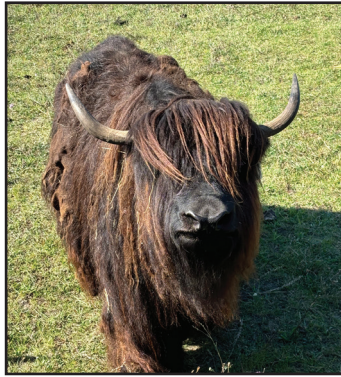
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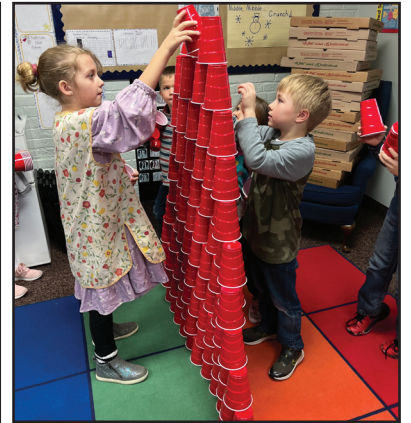
**CHALLENGING MINDS**

**Kindergarten field trip to A Yak or 2 Ranch in Mancelona**



In early October the Kindergarten students were learning the letter Yy. We were able to visit a yak farm to help us remember it. We were able to feed the yaks and touch their fur.

**Celebrating 100 days of school**



**Second Grade Exploring Creation**



In the Fall, second graders learned about the amazing animals God has made. We talked about what they need to live, their habitats and in what ways God made them unique. As part of this unit, we took a trip to a river where the kids explored, gathered data, played in the water and just enjoyed a day with friends.

**Show & Tell**



**1st Grade Field Trip**

A field trip around our town helped us learn our street signs and symbols. We learned how to read maps and to identify symbols. We had a great time walking around our community!





## Lemonade Stand Raises Funds for the Bienvenidos Project

On August 31 the Kindergarten class held a lemonade stand to raise funds for Veronica's feeding program in the Dominican Republic called the Bienvenidos Project. The children earned \$504.36 by serving policemen, bike riders and community members. We plan to send the money with the juniors when they go on their service project to the Dominican Republic Mission Trip later this month.

## Middle School Ski Day

This year, the middle schoolers at NMCS took their annual trip to Caberfae to enjoy a day of skiing and snowboarding with their classmates. Students also enjoyed lunch together in the lodge. For those students who didn't ski, they explored the resort, played board games, and threw a football around. This activity helps to build community and relationships amongst the middle schoolers while offering a chance to develop gifts outside of the classroom. NMCS international students also joined the trip.



## Middle School Science

Much of the middle school science program is hands-on and Michigan-centric. Students learn about natural resources in Michigan and how to be good stewards of what God has given us. Every unit we complete ends with a Unit Challenge - where students work as a team to solve real-world problems.



## Ice Skating Day

In February grades K-5 always take an afternoon to go ice skating at the Wex in Cadillac. For many, it is the first time they have ever been on ice skates. The kids look forward to this outing every year. It is fun to see how much they grow in skill each year. It is also great to see how many parents come out to enjoy the afternoon with their children.



## Second Grade Pen Pals

Second graders have second grade pen pals that go to school in Lake City. It is a great way to have students work on their writing skills in a fun and meaningful way. We got together with our pen pals to play games and have cookies and hot chocolate in January. We hope to meet up with them again in the Spring.



## Project Christmas

In November, the middle school student council spearheaded the collection of items for Project Christmas Child, and the Comet Community was very generous with donations of small toys, healthcare items, etc. Our donation box overflowed more than once. We had over forty boxes when the individual shoe boxes were packed and taken to a local church for shipping. God is good!

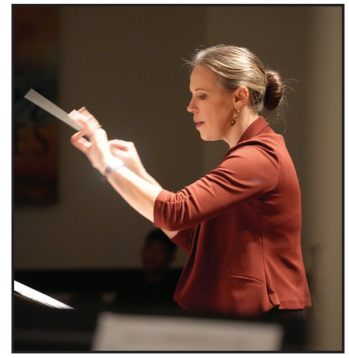


# Carrying on a family legacy through music

By Ricardo Martin Cadillac News October 4, 2023

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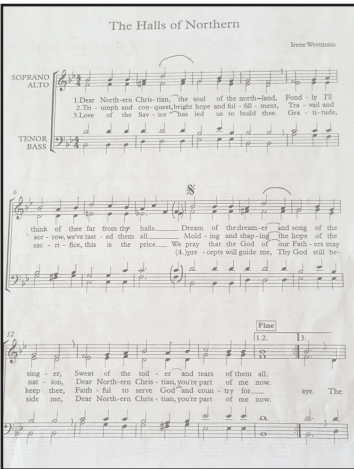
When Erin McPherson started working at Northern Michigan Christian School, it was a chance to give back as a former student. It was also an opportunity to return to a place with a special connection to her heart — one rooted in family.



“Feeling that legacy on my shoulders of wanting this program not just to survive, but to thrive and through those difficult times has been really hard,” she said. “I know as long as I’m here teaching at NMC, I want to leave the school’s music program the best that it can possibly be.”

Her family ties to NMCS begin with her grandparents, Fred and Irene Westmaas. Fred was a science teacher and choral director at the school before working his way up to superintendent. McPherson said her grandfather started at the school around 1945 and worked there for nearly three decades before dying of a heart attack. Though she didn’t know her grandfather, McPherson said Fred was immensely respected according to the life story her grandmother wrote about him.

What she heard about the most was his high standards for students, which McPherson said were a way that made them believe in themselves and helped them achieve things they never thought possible. “He was known throughout the area for having wonderful choirs for many years,” she said.



Irene’s contribution to the school came in the form of the school’s song, The Halls of Northern, which she wrote decades ago. The song is sung by students and alumni at the school’s graduation ceremony every year. McPherson said the song is unique and powerful because it talks about the sacrifices people in the community have had to make to keep the school going.

In a letter Irene wrote to the school, McPherson said her grandmother described an incident where a boiler within the school exploded and took out a big chunk of the building. Despite concerns about how the school would recover, McPherson said residents committed to keeping the school going because of their strong belief in Christian education.

“Once you have sung it once, it’s part of a legacy that will be with you forever,” McPherson said. “That’s really what the song is about is being connected by that tradition and to 80 years of history of this school and what it meant to our community and to our families.” This is encapsulated in the song’s final words, “Dear Northern Christian, you’re part

of me now.” McPherson said as a parent with children attending NMC, this part makes you realize what sacrifices you make for Christian education and how worthwhile those sacrifices are.

McPherson’s family connection to the school made its way to the next generation through her father, David Westmaas. David was at the school for 35 years and served as the middle school science teacher, middle school administrator, and school counselor.



David was a lover of the outdoors. After suffering a head injury in the Vietnam War, she said he would spend time in the woods to help himself heal. McPherson said her father was well-known for his tree projects along with his hunter safety teaching. She said students would collect leaves and bark and learn how to identify different types of trees found in Michigan.

Though her father passed away five years ago, his impact is still felt within the school. McPherson said many students have told her they know exactly what every tree is because of her father. One story about her father’s impact on students that stands out to her came from a former one. She said the student told her he had trouble connecting with other students and teachers. To help the student, he told McPherson that her father would take him fly fishing. David also read the student his test because he struggled with reading comprehension. Stories like that make her want to be a better teacher and help her remember why she does what she does.

“As much as I love music, it’s not so that a kid comes out of here remembering the difference between a quarter note and an eighth note. It’s not why we do what we do,” she said. “Our subject matter and everything is really just to teach kids how much they’re loved, how much they’re cared for both by people around them and by God and to give them something that gives them confidence in the world.”

See the full article: Cadillac News October 4 Edition

# Celebrating God's Faithfulness

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## NMCHS 50th Reunion



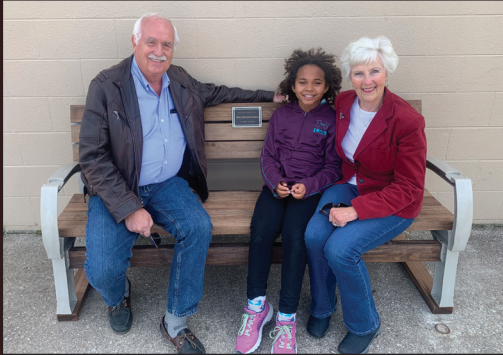
Front Row: Mark Benthem, Bob Mulder, Donna Marcusse Buckel, Mary Yonkman Zuiderveen, Peggy Brinks Baas, Karen Quist Brinks. Middle Row: Dennis Agema, Diane Helms Lutke, Sandy Marcusse King, Esther Van Haitsma Bode, Mary DeRuiter Westdorp, Bev Hoekwater Meyering, Doug VandePol. Back Row: Paul De Young, Jerry Jenema, Steve Benthem, Richard VanDyke, Garry Zuiderveen, Lugene Dieterman.

On October 14, 2023, twenty-one of the twenty-four living classmates gathered to celebrate their fifty-year class reunion. Unfortunately, three of the classmates were unable to attend. They honored the memory of the six classmates who had passed away with a tribute board on display.

During their time together, they toured the school and saw all the many changes made in the past 50 years. The event was led by Lugene Dieterman, who acted as MC and took everyone down memory lane by reminiscing about their time at NMCHS. The night was filled with laughter and sharing. It ended with Peggy (Brinks) Baas and Bev (Hoekwater) Meyering leading the group in singing their beloved school song, "The Halls of Northern."



## In Remembrance of Walt DeYoung



Bob DeYoung with his wife, Mary, and granddaughter, Anna.

Walt DeYoung was a faithful supporter of NMCS. His nephew, Bob, and his wife as well as all of his siblings graduated from NMCS. Walt was dearly loved by all his nieces and nephews. Bob wanted to have something at the school in remembrance of this gentle and kind man so he donated this bench that now sits on our elementary playground.

## 65 Year Reunion



Class of 1958: Bottom row: Marilyn Worrall Borst, Jan Hoekstra Ellens, Nancy Bouma Quist, Carolyn Nederhoed Dick, Mary Westmaas Dracht  
Top: Jerry TeBos, Merwyn Koster, Hubert Zuiderveen, Rog Beerens, Arnie Workman, John VanderMolen

## Class of 1959 Reunion



Class of 1959: We were a class of 27 graduates and have had a class reunion every five years. The class seems to be unique in a few different ways. We have eight of us that married classmates. These four couples have had dinners and outings for several years. Classmates from the area have come to join us and several from the Grand Rapids area. The last few years we have been meeting at the beautiful and most convenient back yard of the Clamshell – Jerry Schepers. He has an endless supply of wood and the campfires are spectacular.

Our gatherings have been as many as twice a month in the summer. We just have fun catching up on "life" as we know it.

We welcome other classmates to join us and encourage other classes of NMC to share some good fellowship together. It is interesting how life changes people from our high school days to sixty years later. We are humble and grateful for lessons learned. We are thankful and blessed to have those opportunities of caring and sharing with each other.

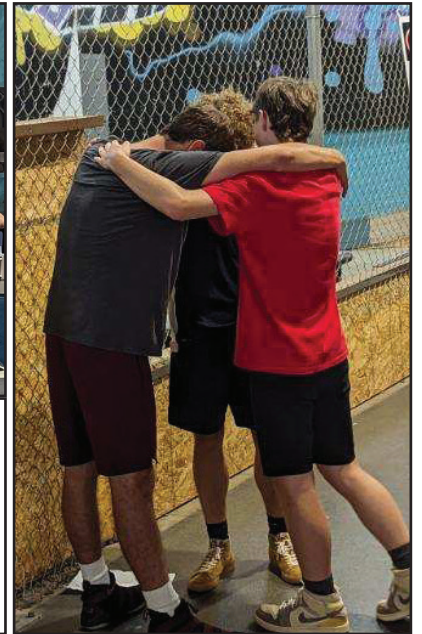
We have had seven classmates pass away since graduation. Our class had seven graduates that stayed in the NMC area and sixteen that moved to the Grand Rapids area, Canada, California, Kansas and Kentucky. On the lighter side, our memories have lapsed just a little. Memories give meaning to our lives. We know that at times it is a brain full of unreliable and deeply felt stories. Like an old man by a campfire, who edits for impact or embellishes for flavor, and includes inaccurate information by accident, we call it helpful input for the present or the future. Thank you NMC for the rich foundation you have given us. - by Gerald Schepers

## Middle School and High School Retreats

Middle school kicked off the year with unity games and activities at Center Lake Bible Camp. It was a great opportunity for students to connect with each other outside of the classroom and halls. The students spent time rotating between different individual and team building activities to foster unity and communication.



The 3 Mile Project in Grand Rapids hosted our High School students for their retreat. With an indoor activity space, students took time to connect together in small groups, did devotionals and engaged in large group activities to help build connection and unity.



## Mentors



The middle schoolers are currently mentoring kindergarten and second grade classes once a week at NMC. This is an excellent opportunity for the younger Comets to learn from the middle school kids, and a beautiful opportunity for middle schoolers to do an act of service for our younger Comets. We have worked on writing pieces, reading, math, and science. The middle schoolers have had opportunities to share their writing pieces with their mentee - having a "real audience" is a gift that cannot be replaced. The kids build a bond that continues to grow throughout the years... strengthening our Comet Community.



Mentoring continues, with high schoolers mentoring middle schoolers. Sixth-grade girls are being mentored by junior girls, seventh-grade girls are being mentored by senior girls, and some seventh-grade boys are being mentored by junior and senior boys. Again, these are valuable relationships that nurture the hearts of our young people.



## Tom and Reca Winkle Scholarship Recipient



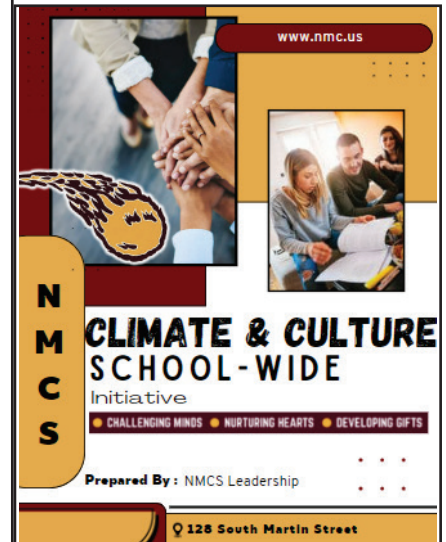
This year's Tom and Reca Winkle Scholarship has been awarded to Megan Pluger. Her scholarship will allow her to get training in order to enhance her skills in teaching the Spanish Language through a series of courses taught at Northwestern Michigan College's extended education program. The information from these classes can be used immediately in her classroom and will improve classroom instruction.

Both Tom and Reca Winkle were born in the McBain area and were married in 1940. They were active members in Vogel Center Christian Reformed Church while operating a dairy farm near Vogel Center into the mid-1960s and later moving to Grand Rapids, Michigan. Reca died in 2003 at the age of 86; Tom died in 2014 at age 99. Tom and Reca Winkle were life-long, enthusiastic supporters of Christian education, and they always had a special place in their hearts for Northern Michigan Christian School (NMCS). It is with gratitude in their hearts for the special part that NMCS has played in their lives, and the lives of their children, that they give this legacy gift to encourage and support Christian teacher education.

The Tom and Reca Winkle Legacy Scholarship is structured as a continuing gift ordinarily granting \$2,000 annually to professional development opportunities for NMCS faculty. Faculty members will be asked to submit their professional development proposals to the Superintendent who, along with a small committee, will determine which proposal(s) will be accepted and funded.

### Climate & Culture - by Katelyn Richard - Principal

Northern Michigan Christian is excited to introduce our new climate and culture school-wide initiative. The desire and drive is to work toward a stronger, more collaborative school community where the personality of the school is molded and shaped by the attitude we carry; all focused around our relationship with the Lord and deepening our faith. The attitude of the school represents the climate and the personality represents the culture. Through our School Improvement Plan (SIP), we aim to instill Christ-like character in our words, actions and interactions by building characteristics that reflect the image and name of Christ and to have an out-pouring of the Holy Spirit for our whole school community. This initiative touches all stakeholders including students, parents, families, staff and the greater association. The hope is to roll out the initiative fully at the beginning of the 2024/2025 school year with a showcasing of the initiative at the Annual Association Meeting in April! Since the school community will have an active role in the initiative, please reach out to learn more about how to get involved.



### 2023-24 National Technical Honor Society Inductees

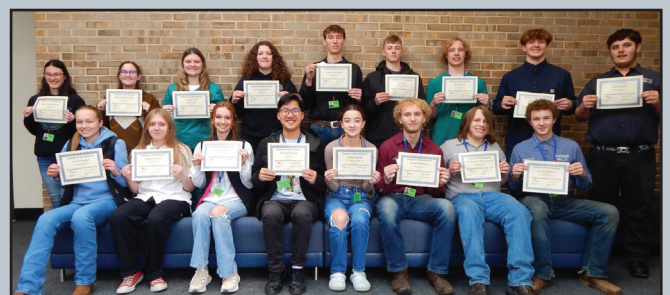


**Brett Ritsema** (Computers, Networking, & Electronics Technology)  
Middle Row, third from the left.

### Students of the Quarter



**Ty VanHaitsma** (Agriscience/Natural Resources) | Top Row, second from the left



**Lia Cucinella** (Building Business & Marketing) | Bottom Row, 3rd from the Left  
**Devin Johnson** (Career Skills) | Bottom Row, far right

**Fall Sports**

**Varsity Soccer**



Front Row: Zachary Eisenga, Dries VanNoord, Ty VanHaitsma, Blair DeZeeuw, Titus Johns, Gideon Curell, Eli Kimbel. Second Row: Eli Bowden, Ethan Lutke, Colton Winkle, Sam Pluger, Heath Krueger, Devin Johnson. Third Row: Emmitt Baas, Dmitry Novikov, Marshall Curell, Go Takenaka, Pablo Ferrando Amoros, Eli Yount. Manager Suan Kim. Back Row: Coaches Evan Hart, Taylor Mulder & Jeff VanHaitsma

**Middle School Soccer**



Front Row: Alden Winkle. Second Row: Easton Prince, Weston Koetje, Harrison Tossey, Max Wing, Easton Swiler, Isaiah Kimbel. Back Row: Coach Dave VanHaitsma, Nicholas Clark, Conner Brinks, Mason Koetje, Ezekiel Hurlbert, Asher Bowden, Gage Prince, Alexander Isanhart, Assistant Coach Ross Meads.

**Middle School & Varsity Cross Country**



Front Row: Cassidy Fisher, Emma Lee, Melody Fraser. Back Row: Coach Mark Bonnes, Brett Ritsema, Hunter Fisher, Braylin Stahl & Levi DeKam

**Soccer Honors**

**All-District:** Dries VanNoord, Go Takenaka, Blair DeZeeuw, Ty VanHaitsma, Titus Johns, & Gideon Curell.

**All-Conference:** Blair DeZeeuw, Ty VanHaitsma, Titus Johns

**All-Conference HM:** Gideon Curell & Dries VanNoord

**Individual All-Academic:** Elijah Kimbel & Titus Johns

**Academic All-Conference:** Elijah Kimbel & Titus Johns

**Volleyball: Team All-Academic**

**All-Conference:** Kate Shaarda, Jada VanNoord

**All-Conference HM:** Kylee Winkle

**Individual All-Academic:** Jada VanNoord

**Varsity Volleyball**



Front Row: Maria DeRuiter, Jada VanNoord, Kaya Haan, Emerson Tossey, Brooklyn Winkle. Back Row: Coach Janelle Winkle, Kate Shaarda, Kylee Winkle, Ely Bennett, Ava Johns, Renee Kuperus & Assistant Coach Maggie Yount

**Junior Varsity Volleyball**



Front Row: Sofia Hernandez Ruiz, Emerson Bosscher, Madalyn Winkle. Back Row: Lauren Isanhart, Marley Martz, Myra Yount, Melanie Bennett, Harper Tossey, Coach Jamie Isanhart.

**7th & 8th Grade Volleyball**



Front Row: Leighton Tossey, Melody LaRoche, Regonna Sneller, Julia Sprague. Back Row: Coach Rebecca Dieterman, Eden Coxon, Emalynn Winkle, Lia Pluger, Anna Cucinella, Adalyn Haskin.

**6th & 7th Grade Volleyball**



Front Row: Elsa VanHouten, Alaina Koetje, Avery Dard, Ella Sheats. Back Row: Raigen Cnossen, Kaylie Gernaat, Cameron Stahl, Maddi Martz, Jalie Veltema, Coach Jamie Buning



NMCS' Athletic program has a tremendous opportunity to bring people together like nothing else. When you add our Christ-centered environment to the mix, transformational things can occur.

We use athletics as an extension of the classroom where student athletes are challenged to pursue excellence by pursuing Christ, a healthy culture, and community, on and off the playing surface. As student athletes, our Comets are learning to compete in healthy and productive ways while overcoming adversity. These life lessons will certainly benefit in the marathon of life.

On and off the playing surface, our Comets are succeeding and impacting the community for Christ. This year, our varsity volleyball program hosted their annual "Dig Pink Match" where they raised funds for a local family battling cancer. The initiative that our student athletes and coaches took to support this family was tremendous. The team also represented well and claimed the district championship in front of a packed home crowd.

Our varsity soccer team, under head coach Taylor Mulder, also competed well with a roster full of youthful talent. Each game presented a unique challenge against larger schools with larger rosters, but our Comets accepted the challenge and improved every game, ultimately holding a winning record at the end of the year.

Cross Country hosted their annual "Twilight Invite" in the fall. This unique event welcomes visiting teams from across the area to run under the setting sun of the rolling hills and windmills. It truly is a unique experience. As part of our traditional all sports weekend, our volleyball program and soccer program also hosted their annual invites.

Boys' and girls' basketball seasons have just finished. Our coaches were in their first year of building their program and I couldn't be happier with the support pieces we have in place for our student athletes. Not only do our coaches focus on the fundamentals and strategy, they focus on our student athletes as children of God as they pour life lessons into them everyday. Boys basketball coaches Bennett, Hoover, and Pluger have done a tremendous job getting the most out of our guys and they have meshed well as a coaching staff.

Coaches Tossey and Pluger of the girls' basketball program focused on the fundamentals and strengthening the entire program from the youth teams and up. Their dedication to our community and their love for the program is tremendous. I know that their solid work will produce fruit in the long run.

In the spring, our girls' soccer, boys' golf, and track and field programs get their chance to compete and represent! I am excited to see what our teams can accomplish after such successful seasons last year. The girls' soccer team, under head coach Jen VanNoord, looks to grow its numbers and build on their youthfulness as they compete for a league and district championship. The boys' golf team, under the leadership of Jeff VanNoord, has its sight set on returning to the state championship again this year with some veteran golfers. On the track, Coaches Eisenga and Bonnes look to grow the program and continue the personal record achievements from last season.



2023 District Champions

Throughout the year, we have been blessed with hosting many MHSAA events. From boys' soccer districts and girls' volleyball districts, to girls' basketball districts and quarterfinals. This is the perfect time to showcase our facility and community.

Thank you for your continued support of NMCS athletics as we build something great upon our solid foundation! It's always a great day to be a Comet!

*- by Athletic Director Trey Reed*

**COMET  
COMMITMENT**

**Fundraising Success!**

Our Fall Fundraisers were a huge success in 2023! We started our school year hosting over 450 bikers during the DALMAC bike tour. We served them dinner on Thursday evening and sent them off with a delicious breakfast. We raised over \$5,600 with the help of our kitchen staff and many volunteers. We also had a lemonade stand hosted by our elementary students that became quite a highlight for our riders.



The Fish Fry was held on two Friday nights in September. This annual event could only be possible with food donations and some amazing volunteers. We brought in over \$8,000 between the two dinners.



Every October we have a fall food fundraiser that offers fresh NMCS cinnamon rolls, Dutch mints and banket, as well as some German candies. We were able to raise over \$5,000 for our fall fundraiser this year.



Finally, in December we hosted our largest fundraiser, the Building the Future Auction. We were able to invite people back for an in person event with great food prepared by Dawn Fresh Catering. We are so thankful for all of our underwriters, businesses, and other donors that made this event possible. Our mixture of an online event and our live auction generated a record \$95,625!



**Save the Date: Building the Future Auction 2024 - November 9 (Online and LIVE)**

**Save the DATE and Tell Your Friends!**



**NMCS RANGE DAY**  
Held at  
**Untamed Archery 3D Course & Marion Rod & Gun Club**

**APRIL 27, 2024**  
Sporting Clays & 3D Archery  
Choose your course

**ITINERARY**  
Breakfast | 8:30 AM  
Shotgun start | 9:30 AM  
Prizes for Top Shooters  
\* Raffles and Prizes during the event!  
\* Limited slots available

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# Commemorative Calendar

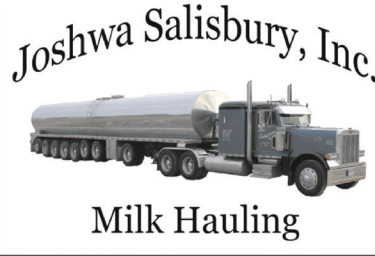
*\*This will be the last published Commemorative Calendar.  
Thank you to all who donated in honor of their loved ones.*

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5-Jan	Bill & Mary Dracht	AV	29-Apr	Dawn Brinks	MM	20-Jul	Ryan Hagerman & Elizabeth Mulder	AV
6-Jan	John Borgman	MM	5-May	Celia Beerens	MM	5-Aug	Taylor & Cambria Mulder	AV
10-Jan	Hudson Koetje	BD	8-May	Roland & Julane Lamkin	AV	11-Aug	Jeff & Melanie Hildreth	AV
30-Jan	Frank Jager	MM	14-May	Bill & Jeanette Westmaas	MM	15-Aug	Elmer & Jean Doll	MM
12-Feb	Sy Buning	MM	16-May	Beckett Swanson	BD	16-Aug	Jim Beerens	MM
12-Feb	Emily Jo Mulder Reutz	BD	27-May	Jim & Karen Pluger	AV	6-Sep	Roy M. Tacoma	MM
23-Feb	Clara Jager	MM	30-May	Alden Koetje	BD	11-Sep	Rocky & Cindy Schierbeek	AV
23-Feb	Fred Westmaas	MM	3-Jun	McKinley Swanson	BD	12-Sep	Laurie Koning	MM
1-Mar	Harvey Lutke	MM	7-Jun	Jay & Janet Jenema	MM	12-Sep	Richard & Irene VanHouten	MM
5-Mar	Boyd Allen Tacoma	MM	16-Jun	Darryl Baas	MM	17-Sep	Ed Meyering	BD
21-Mar	Maggie Koetje	BD	20-Jun	Ron Huttenga	MM	19-Sep	Tanner Mulder	BD
27-Mar	Harriet Borgman	BD	23-Jun	Brody Swanson	BD	5-Oct	Chris & Cara Kuiper	AV
2-Apr	Richard Westmaas	MM	26-Jun	Wilma Huttenga	MM	7-Oct	Mark & Rosemary Jenema	AV
7-Apr	Al & Carol Koster	AV	30-Jun	Leona Vander Meulen	MM	13-Oct	Russ Spoelma	MM
10-Apr	Harvey Winkel	MM	30-Jun	Nettie Agema	MM	13-Oct	Bill Dracht	MM
15-Apr	Nellie Tacoma	MM	3-Jul	Ken Koning	BD	3-Dec	Andrew Tacoma	MM
18-Apr	Helene Heuker	BD	5-Jul	Robert Carpenter	MM	4-Dec	Darwin Crossen	MM
12-Apr	Dave Westmaas	MM	14-Jul	Norma Stroven	MM	4-Dec	Geneva Dodde	MM
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