

## *Student of the Month*



*Nikita Zander, April SOTM*

The April Student of the Month award goes to Nikita Zander. She enjoys reading and writing and believes that English is her area of academic strength.

Nikita is a talented singer and is very active in the music department here at RHS. She is a member of both choir and swing choir and has participated in four Richland musicals: *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Working*, and *Seussical the Musical*. She has also competed in many regional music competitions and has sung the national anthem at multiple Richland sporting events.

Nikita is a dedicated member of Richland's student council. She has been a member of student council since seventh grade and this year she served as the blood drive chairperson. Nikita also kept busy this year by helping organize the junior class prom. In addition, she is a member of Close Up.

Congratulations, Nikita!



*Blake Loomis, May SOTM*

Blake Loomis was named the May Student of the Month. He is a member of the North Dakota Honor Society and believes that English is his area of academic strength.

Blake is a very talented athlete. He was named to the 2017 All Region football team for his efforts on the football field and was also named to the 2016 All Region Honorable Mention team. Blake was a member of the 2015 state championship team and has been selected to be a captain for the Colts this fall. Blake also excels in track and field. He qualified to the state meet in shot put as a sophomore and will be returning to the state meet again this spring. In addition, Blake holds the school record for shot put.

Blake is a strong leader. He was selected to attend the North Dakota Leadership Seminar last summer and this year he will return as part of the NDLS officer team. Blake also served as student council vice president this year and will be the president next year.

Congrats, Blake!

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## Abigail Danielle Martel



### **Pet Peeve:**

When people cheat on their boyfriend / girlfriend

### **Advice to underclassmen:**

Hang in there -- it gets better

### **Favorite sport:**

Football

### **What has been your favorite grade so far?**

Preschool because I only came once a week or senior year because it's the same!

### **What was your favorite class at RHS? Why?**

Anatomy -- Mr. Workin is such an amazing teacher and I learned a lot from him

### **What is the biggest thing you've gotten in trouble for?**

When I was in kindergarten, Mrs. Hudson said "freeze" and I kept playing. I got a red apple that day!

### **If you had a million dollars to blow, what would you spend it on?**

I'd pay my mom back for all of my shopping sprees

### **Who has been a big influence in your high school life?**

My mom -- she taught me that I can get through anything life throws at me

### **What will you miss most about high school?**

Volleyball bus rides and the senior lounge

## McKenzie Kay Breden



### **Pet Peeve:**

When pencils change their thickness while you are writing

### **What was your most embarrassing moment?**

On the last day of 6th grade, I was wearing white shorts and I slid down the slide at Scheels... and there was pee at the bottom of the slide!

### **Advice to underclassmen:**

Live in the moment and don't wish for it to go by so fast

### **Who is one person you can't live without?**

Sydney Jean Haverland

### **Favorite store:**

Lululemon

### **Favorite sports:**

Volleyball and basketball

### **Favorite card game:**

Salad -- thanks, Mrs. Workin!

### **If you could be an animal, what would you be? Why?**

My dog -- she seems so happy all the time

### **What is your favorite school memory?**

Ms. Stenseth's 7th grade English

### **Who has been a big influence in your high school life?**

Richie Boss

### **What will you miss most about high school?**

Sports and the camaraderie it brought with it

## Sydney Jean Haverland



### **Pet Peeve:**

When people wear grey on grey  
**Who is one person you can't live without?**

McKenzie Kay Breden

### **Favorite foods:**

Creamed corn and banana chips

### **Favorite sport:**

Volleyball

### **Favorite TV shows:**

*The Bachelorette* and *Kitchen Nightmares*

### **Favorite sports star:**

Carson Wentz

### **What has been your favorite grade so far?**

Senior year

### **Vacation spot of choice:**

Cozumel, Mexico

### **What is something you absolutely hate?**

Guacamole

### **What is your worst fear?**

Passing a semi truck and having it hit me

### **If you could change the school colors, what would you change them to?**

Green, blue, and white

### **What is the coolest thing you've ever owned?**

My dog, Lola

### **Who has been a big influence in your high school life?**

Stac Boss

# John Michael Haverland



**Pet Peeve:**

When Russell Westbrook is one assist or rebound away from a triple double

**What is one thing you can't live without?**

Nike shoes

**Favorite foods:**

Philly cheesesteaks and wings

**Favorite stores:**

Scheels and Footlocker

**Favorite TV shows:**

*That '70s Show, Game of Thrones, and The Office*

**Favorite sports star:**

Kevin Durant

**Favorite cartoon characters:**

Scooby Doo and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

**Vacation spot of choice:**

Oahu, Hawaii -- Waikiki Beach

**What are your favorite free time activities?**

Xbox and hunting

**If you could make any changes to the school, what would they be?**

Bring back the pop machine and old lunch tables

**What do you believe is your greatest achievement?**

2017 2K Tournament Champion

**Who has been a big influence in your high school life?**

My parents

**What would your dream car be?**

BMW i8

# Caleb James Boehm



**Pet Peeves:**

Pessimistic people and people who gossip

**Advice to underclassmen:**

High school matters! Try your hardest no matter what you do!

**Favorite food:**

Glazed donut burger

**Favorite TV show:**

*American Horror Story*

**Favorite movie:**

*Fight Club*

**Favorite sports star:**

Carmelo Anthony

**What has been your favorite grade so far? Why?**

12th -- because I have a lot of flexibility

**What is your worst fear?**

Kidney stones

**What do you believe are your greatest achievements?**

Winning state food science, vet science, and ENR

**Who has been a big influence in your high school life?**

My dad

**What will you miss most about high school?**

FFA, for sure

**What would your dream car be?**

2018 Gran Turismo Sport

**What do you think the best part of graduating will be?**

Going to NDSU and watching football games

# Jeremy Scott Vig



**Pet Peeve:**

People who breathe loudly

**Advice to underclassmen:**

When you are out of school, no one cares if you are different

**What is one thing you can't live without?**

Snapchat

**Favorite foods:**

Pizza and steak

**Favorite stores:**

Colfax Express, American Eagle, and Scheels

**Favorite sports:**

Basketball and trap shooting

**Favorite TV shows:**

*Dexter, The 100, and That '70s Show*

**What has been your favorite grade so far?**

Senior

**Vacation spot of choice:**

Cali

**What is something you absolutely hate?**

When styrofoam rubs on itself

**What was your favorite school memory?**

Brooklynn and Joe getting married in elementary school

**What will you miss most about high school?**

The senior lounge

**What would your dream car be?**

1969 Chevy Camaro

# Aaron Robert Meyer



**Pet Peeve:**

When people get rice and beans on their tacos

**Advice to underclassmen:**

Use a list to keep track of things that are due each week

**Favorite store:**

Scheels

**Favorite sport:**

Fishing

**Favorite TV show:**

*Dexter*

**Favorite video game:**

Far Cry 5

**What has been your favorite year so far?**

Senior year

**What were your favorite classes at RHS?**

All of my ag classes

**Vacation spot of choice:**

Devils Lake

**What is your favorite free time activity?**

Fishing

**If you had a million dollars to blow, what would you spend it on?**

A new pickup, a house, and a boat. I'd spend the rest on fishing gear.

**What would your dream vehicle be?**

A 2018 Ford F-350

**What is something you don't leave home without?**

My wallet

# Gavin Taylor Hill-Olson



**Pet Peeve:**

When people don't listen to me when I talk

**Advice to underclassmen:**

Study and have fun

**What is one thing you can't live without?**

Technology

**Favorite food:**

Cheeseburgers

**Favorite TV show:**

*The Big Bang Theory*

**Favorite movies:**

*Star Wars* and all the *Matrix* movies

**Favorite childhood toys:**

Legos

**Favorite cartoon characters:**

Rick and Morty

**What has been your favorite year so far?**

Sophomore year

**Vacation spot of choice:**

Arizona

**What is the biggest thing you've gotten in trouble for?**

Lying

**What is your worst fear?**

Spiders

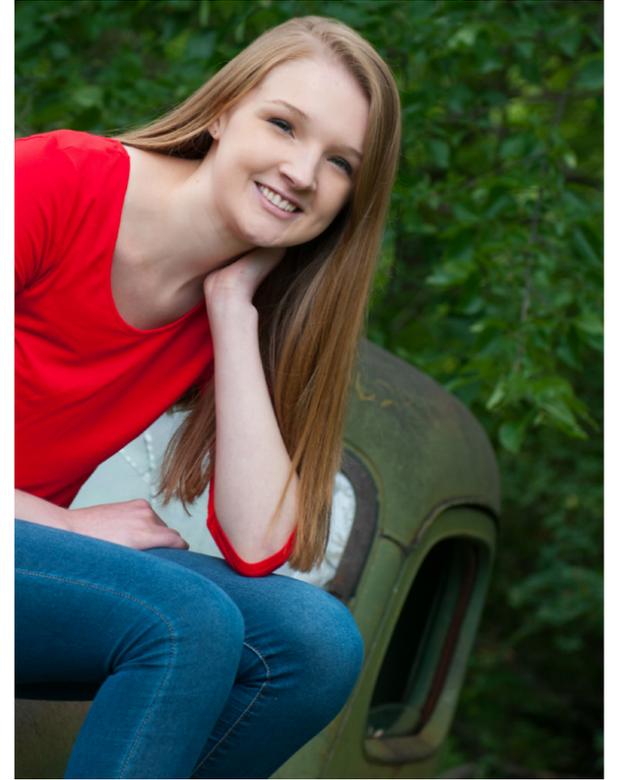
**What is the coolest thing you've ever owned?**

My computer

**What will you miss most about high school?**

Being with my friends

# Linnea Mae Brown



**Pet Peeve:**

When people chew with their mouths open, when people misspell my name, and when people finish other people's sentences

**Advice to your underclassmen:**

Get your homework done right away

**Favorite sport:**

Volleyball

**Favorite TV shows:**

*Once Upon a Time*, *90210*, and *Riverdale*

**Favorite board game:**

Sorry

**Favorite sports star:**

Carson Wentz

**What has been your favorite grade so far?**

9th grade

**What was your favorite class at RHS?**

Foods

**What are your favorite free time activities?**

Singing, listening to music, and drawing

**What is something you absolutely hate?**

People making me late

**If you could change the school colors, what would you change them to?**

Gray and light blue

**What is your worst fear?**

Bugs

# Joseph E. McGiboney



**Advice to underclassmen:**

Don't lie

**What is one thing you can't live without?**

My phone

**Favorite food:**

Shrimp alfredo

**Favorite sport:**

Basketball

**Favorite movie:**

*Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2*

**Favorite video game:**

*GTA 5*

**What has been your favorite grade so far?**

8th grade

**What was your favorite class at RHS?**

PE

**What is the coolest thing you've ever owned?**

Xbox One S

**If you had a million dollars to blow, what would you spend it on?**

A BMW i8

**Who has been a big influence in your high school life?**

My mom, dad, and grandma

**What will you miss most about high school?**

Hanging out with my friends

**What are some things you don't leave home without?**

My phone, wallet, and headphones

# Senior Hall of Fame

<b>Most Likely to Succeed:</b>	Mikayla	Caleb
<b>Most Athletic:</b>	McKenzie	John
<b>Most Artistic:</b>	Linnea	John
<b>Most Musical:</b>	Linnea	John
<b>Worst Driver:</b>	Brooklynn	Joe
<b>Biggest Nonconformist:</b>	Mikayla	Aaron
<b>Most Talkative:</b>	Kaitlyn	Caleb
<b>Most School Spirit:</b>	Abby	John
<b>Class Clown:</b>	Brooklynn	Caleb
<b>Best Dressed:</b>	McKenzie	John
<b>Nicest Smile:</b>	Sydney	John
<b>Nicest Eyes:</b>	McKenzie	Jeremy
<b>Best Sense of Humor:</b>	Brooklynn	Caleb
<b>Funniest Laugh:</b>	Brooklynn	John
<b>Best Dancer:</b>	Jazzlin	John
<b>Most Outgoing:</b>	Abby	Caleb
<b>Most Energetic:</b>	Kaitlyn	Jeremy
<b>Class Flirt:</b>	Abby	Caleb
<b>Coolest Hair:</b>	Jazzlin	Jeremy
<b>Hall Wanderer:</b>	McKenzie	Gavin
<b>Best Manners:</b>	Mikayla	Aaron / Jeremy
<b>Most Lovable:</b>	Jazzlin	John
<b>Always Late:</b>	Brooklynn	Gavin
<b>Most Organized:</b>	Abby	Caleb
<b>Most Mischievous:</b>	Jeanne	Gavin

# Senior Plans



by: Abby Martel

**Caleb Boehm** -- NDSU  
Psychology & Criminal Justice

**McKenzie Breden** -- NDSU  
Human Development and  
Family Science

**Linnea Brown** -- NDSCS  
Liberal Arts

**Jazzlin Foley** --  
Join the workforce

**John Haverland** -- NDSU  
Agriculture

**Sydney Haverland** -- NDSU  
Dietetics

**Brooklynn Hegseth** - NDSCS  
Nursing

**Gavin Hill-Olson** --  
Join the workforce

**Kaitlyn Isrealson** --  
Salon Professional Academy  
Cosmetology

**Mikayla Lacher** --  
University of MN, Crookston  
Animal Science for Veterinary

**Abby Martel**-- NDSU  
Pharmacy and Business Adminis-  
tration

**Joe McGiboney** --  
Join the workforce

**Aaron Meyer**-- NDSU  
undecided field of study

**Jeanne Andersen** -- M State  
undecided field of study

**Jeremy Vig**-- NDSU  
Business Management

## Senior Trivia

1. How many of this year's seniors attended kindergarten at Richland Elementary?
2. Who is the tallest member of the senior class?
3. Who is the shortest member of the senior class?
4. Which senior weighed the most when he/she was born?
5. Which senior weighed the least when he/she was born?
6. How many of this year's seniors have traveled to a foreign country? (not counting Canada)
7. How many of this year's seniors are left handed?
8. How many of this year's seniors wear glasses or contacts?
9. How many of this year's seniors have NEVER broken a bone?
10. Which senior was born in California?
11. Which senior is allergic to nickel?
12. Which senior is allergic to latex?
13. Which senior has no spleen, gall bladder, or appendix?
14. Which senior does not have two full sized kidneys?
15. Which two seniors can wiggle their ears?

*~Answers can be found on pg 11~*



**2018 Senior Class**

# Close Up Seniors Travel to Washington DC and New York City

by: Mikayla Lacher

During the blooming of cherry blossoms, the Close Up seniors took part in an adventure to Washington D.C. and New York City. This year's group included eight seniors: Jeanne Andersen, Caleb Boehm, John Haverland, Brooklyn Hegseth, Faith Johnson, Mikayla Lacher, Aaron Meyer, and Jeremy Vig.

The trip started with a very early flight from Fargo. Only one of the eight seniors had never flown before! We landed in Chicago with only twenty minutes to spare so a couple seniors had to run across the airport to find the next gate! Thankfully they had been in that same airport earlier in the summer.

The first tourist site we visited was Georgetown. The metro was our first type of transportation. That brought us to a trolley so we could get to Bugsy's Pizza and Pop's Ice Cream. The former Torpedo Factory was our next stop which was transformed into an art gallery.

History was next on our list to see so we decided to visit the Holocaust Memorial Museum, where history was found in every corner of the museum.

After that we went back to our hotel and got to meet our roommates and workshop members! The states present included Alaska, Arkansas, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wyoming. North Dakota represented most of the program!

On the first day of the Close Up program, we headed to see the three faces of democracy: the Jefferson, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and Martin Luther King Jr. memorials. We were taught that many

people have different opinions, and boy did our workshops have different opinions! Traveling in our workshops made open discussions easier and more interactive.

With our groups, we explored the Smithsonian Natural History Museum along with the National Zoo. We toured war memorials including the World War II, Korean, and Vietnam memorials. We also visited the Lincoln Memorial where many famous speeches have taken place such as MLK's "I Have a Dream." The Arlington National Cemetery was our next stop to thank those who fought for our country and freedom.

On the last night in DC, we had a banquet and dance. Many funny pictures were taken, outrageous dance moves were made, and some heartfelt goodbyes were said.



New York was next on the map! There, we visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art which was filled with many eras of art including Roman, Greek, and modern. We also got the chance to explore Times Square a little bit before we went to our Broadway show, *SpongeBob SquarePants*.

Our last day in New York included morning tours of Liberty Island, Ellis Island, the 9/11 Memorial, and Brooklyn Bridge. The Rockefeller Center was our last stop. If you are afraid of heights, I recommend you stay back from the glass!

The Close Up trip was a blast! Not only did we sightsee and learn about the democratic process, we made good friends. I highly recommend this trip to all underclassmen!



# Mr. Anderson Retires After Thirty Years at Richland

by: Ava Aigner

After nine years of working as the high school principal and twenty-one years of teaching at Richland Elementary, Mr. Anderson is retiring at the end of this school year.

Mr. Anderson went to high school at Glenfield-Sutton-McHenry. There, he was involved in basketball, track, yearbook, and the three-act play. He attended college at Valley City State University. He played basketball there and was part of the student cabinet. Mr. Anderson also attended NDSU. At first he wanted to pursue a career in accounting, but his friends talked to him about elementary education and he decided it would be a great fit for him.

Before he came to Richland, Mr. Anderson's first teaching job was in Valley City, ND. He taught at Washington Elementary School. He worked there for two years. He also coached girls' track and boys' basketball.

Mr. Anderson taught many different things at Richland Elementary including K-6 PE, 5th grade science and math, and 6th grade (all subjects). He then got his



administrative degree and became the high school principal. Some of his favorite things about Richland are the great students and very fun staff. Mr. Anderson said he will really miss being around the staff and students on a daily basis.

Mr. Anderson is married to Machell. Together they have three sons: Christopher (22), Dylan (20), and Carson (16). Mr. Anderson's plans for retirement include golfing, traveling, and spending more time with his family.

We will miss Mr. Anderson and we wish him the best. Thank you for all your contributions to our school district, Mr. Anderson!

## Richland Students Win Rotary Essay Contest

Each year in Ms. Stenseth's English III class, students are required to write an essay about any topic they want and apply the Rotary's 4 Way Test to that topic. This 4 Way Test includes asking these questions: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build good will and better friendships? Is it beneficial to all? These questions are the philosophy behind the Rotary Club's mission.

This year Richland students claimed the top two prizes in the essay contest. Blake Loomis won second place and \$150 with his essay "Professional Athletes Kneeling During the National Anthem." Kariann Sahl won first place and \$200 with her essay "Human Euthanasia."

Blake and Kariann were invited to read their essays at a Wahpeton Rotary Club meeting. Kariann's essay will go on to the district level competition where the winner receives \$1100!

Good luck, Kariann!



Essay winners:  
Blake Loomis and Kariann Sahl



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# Mr. Clark Retires After Thirty-four Years at Richland

By: Zach Wulfekuhle

This year we say “good-bye” to one of the teachers who has been a big part of our school for many years. Harry Clark will be retiring this year after thirty-six years of teaching, with thirty-four of those years at Richland. In addition to working as a teacher, guidance counselor, and driver’s education instructor, Mr. Clark has coached hundreds of students over the years. In his career, he has coached football for two years, basketball for thirty-four years, cross country for fifteen years, and track & field for thirty years. He was also the athletic director at Richland for six years.

Mr. Clark went to school in Woodworth, ND. There, he participated in cross country, basketball, track & field, baseball, band, choir, drama, musicals, speech (radio broadcast), paper staff and student council. He attended college at Valley City State University. While in college at VCSU, Mr. Clark participated in both track & field and cross country. He later earned his master’s degree in counseling from NDSU.

Before coming to Richland, Mr. Clark taught for two years in Mott, ND. While there, he taught math, physical education, and



driver’s education.

Harry is married to his wife, Monica Clark, who is a first grade teacher at Richland Elementary. They have two kids who both graduated from Richland: Taylor (26) and Mikayla (23).

Mr. Clark has greatly enjoyed his time at Richland. He loves the small school atmosphere and the respectful students. He also enjoyed the flexibility that teachers in this district have and he will miss both the students and the great co-workers he has worked with on a daily basis.

Mr. Clark’s plans for retirement include golfing, traveling, mowing, painting and farming.

Congratulations, on a well-deserved retirement, Mr. Clark. Richland will not be the same without you next year!

## Richland Heroes!

The Richland Student Council sponsored four blood drives this year with United Blood Services. By giving blood, donors help replenish the community blood supply. As blood can only be stored for forty-two days, a continual fresh supply is critical!

Our student body, staff, and community continue to step forward for each drive. From our four school blood drives this year alone, we had 83 volunteers (including 20 first time donors), 69 of whom were able to donate a total of 82 blood products!

We also have several students who volunteer their time to help with recruitment, registration, set up, and clean up. Thank you to everyone! You are all heroes!

We are working on scheduling blood drives for next year. The first two drives will be held: September 19 and November 21.

### Blood drive stats:

#### September

18 volunteers  
17 donors (2 new)  
24 products

#### November

20 volunteers  
18 donors (5 new)  
21 products

#### January

17 volunteers  
13 donors (3 new)  
14 products

#### May

25 volunteers  
19 donors (10 new)  
23 products



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# Mrs. Workin Retires After Eighteen Years at Richland

by: Kaitlyn Wagner

This year we are saying “good-bye” to a beloved teacher, Mrs. Lora Workin. She is retiring from teaching business and physical education. In total Mrs. Workin has taught for thirty-three years with eighteen of those at Richland.

Mrs. Workin went to school at Linton High School. There, she was active in many things including basketball, track, band, choir, and yearbook. She also was a statistician for the wrestling team. After high school, she found herself attending Valley City State University. Again, she was involved in many activities like the Philo Sorority and intramurals. Mrs. Workin was also a wrestling statistician in college as well as a student recruiter.

Mrs. Workin’s first teaching job was at Oriska. She taught general business, accounting, kindergarten PE, fifth and sixth grade PE, and computers. Mrs. Workin was also the yearbook advisor and a girls’ basketball coach there.

After six years in Oriska, she then taught computer classes at Barnesville for one year and Wahpeton for eight years. Mrs. Workin came to Richland in 2000. In addition to her teaching duties here, she was the yearbook advisor for seventeen years. The



students loved working with her!

Mrs. Workin, as we all know, is married to Lowell Workin, who is a science teacher at Richland. They have two kids: James (25) and Matthew (22).

When asked what she will miss most about Richland, Mrs. Workin replied, “I will definitely miss the students, staff, and all the events!” She is excited about her upcoming retirement, though, and looks forward to traveling. For part of next winter, the Workins plan to live in Arizona. She is also really excited to come back and watch the Colts play sports.

Mrs. Workin is the type of teacher that every student wants to have and everyone will greatly miss the energy she brings wherever she goes.

Congratulations, we will miss you!

# Honor Society

Congratulations to the following students who were accepted into North Dakota Honor Society 2018:

## Class of 2018

Caleb Boehm  
McKenzie Breden  
Linnea Brown  
John Haverland  
Sydney Haverland  
Mikayla Lacher  
Abigail Martel  
Jeremy Vig

## Class of 2019

Bailey Adams  
Dain Anderson  
Blaine Brewer  
Trenton Dufner  
Kennedy Flaa  
Blake Loomis  
Kariann Sahl

## Class of 2020

Ava Aigner  
Tegan Amundson  
Katy Erickson  
Hanna Johnson  
Annamae Neimi  
Zachariah Ringdahl  
Kaitlyn Wagner

# United Blood Services Hero Cord

Congratulations to the following seniors for earning the United Blood Services Hero Cord. Students may wear this cord during the high school graduation ceremony.



Caleb Boehm  
McKenzie Breden  
Linnea Brown  
John Haverland  
Sydney Haverland  
Brooklynn Hegseth  
Gavin Hill-Olson  
Kaitlyn Israelson  
Mikayla Lacher  
Abigail Martel

  
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# *Mr. Workin Retires After Twenty-four Years at Richland*

by: Kariann Sahl

This spring we are sad to say “good-bye” to our favorite science teacher, Mr. Workin. He has been a teacher for a total of thirty-two years and he spent twenty-four of those years teaching here at Richland.

Mr. Workin graduated from Kindred High School. During his high school years, he was involved in basketball, track, band, and choir. After high school, Mr. Workin attended Concordia, Valley City State University, and NDSU. While he was in college, he attempted to play college basketball, but according to Mr. Workin, that didn’t work out too well for him.

When he finished college, Mr. Workin started his teaching career in Oriska, ND where he taught science for three years. Mr. Workin then worked at Kindred/Leonard for one year, Leonard for four years, and Wahpeton for one year. He came to Richland in 1994. In addition to teaching, Mr. Workin has coached boys’ basketball (5th grade up to varsity) for fifteen years.

Mr. Workin is married to Lora Workin who also works at



Richland as a physical education and business teacher. He has two sons, James and Matthew, who are both Richland graduates.

When asked what he will miss, Mr. Workin said he will miss the students here at Richland and the daily interactions he has had with them. “I have greatly enjoyed my time in education,” Mr. Workin said. “Richland has great kids who were a pleasure to be around.”

Mr. Workin’s plans for retirement include golfing, traveling, and attending Richland activities and athletics when possible. On top of all that, he still plans to do a little farming.

Congratulations on a great teaching career, Mr. Workin! We will miss you!

## *Senior Trivia Answers*

1. Twelve of this year’s seniors attended kindergarten at Richland Elementary.
2. John Haverland is the tallest senior. He is 6’ 3 1/4.”
3. Sydney Haverland is the shortest senior. She is 5’ 2 3/4.”
4. Linnea Brown was the biggest baby. She weighed 9 pounds, 7 ounces.
5. Jeremy Vig was the smallest baby. He only weighed 3 pounds, 5 ounces!
6. Six of this year’s seniors have traveled to foreign countries. Those countries include Mexico, Jamaica, and the Dominican Republic.
7. John Haverland is the only senior who is left handed.
8. Eleven seniors wear glasses or contacts.
9. Twelve seniors have never broken a bone.
10. Jeanne Andersen was born in California.
11. Sydney Haverland is allergic to nickel.
12. Jazzlin Foley is allergic to latex.
13. Abby Martel has no spleen, gall bladder, or appendix.
14. Caleb Boehm only has 1 and 1/3 kidneys.
15. Mikayla Lacher and Jeremy Vig can wiggle their ears.

## *133 years!!*

*With the retirements of Mr. Anderson, Mr. Clark, Mrs. Workin, and Mr. Workin, Richland is losing one hundred and thirty-one years of experience in education!!*

*Thanks for all you did for Richland! We sure will miss you!*

# Richland FCCLA Members Advance to National Competition



The Richland FCCLA chapter is celebrating a successful and busy end to the school year that will continue into the summer months. We have many things to celebrate as we conclude the school year and look forward to another.

Student members, advisors, and chaperones from across North Dakota gathered in Bismarck April 15-17 to participate in the 73rd Annual North Dakota Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Leadership Conference. Representing our chapter at the state conference were Abigail Martel, Mikayla Lacher, Bailey Adams, Kiersten Boehm, Samantha Hendrickson, Randy Lacher- chaperone, and Elizabeth Hiller- advisor. The theme of this year's conference was "North Dakota – Inspired! By FCCLA."

With the theme in mind, delegates participated in general sessions and workshops. They also experienced conference exhibits that assisted in strengthening their leadership abilities as individuals and community members. The keynote speaker was North Dakota's own Miss America 2018, Cara Mund. Ms. Mund shared her story of be-

coming Miss America along with her work with the Make a Wish Foundation and Children's Miracle Network, one of ND FCCLA's service projects.

Over 175 delegates participated in Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR) Events. From the Richland Chapter, four students competed in STAR Events at state. Receiving a gold medal for her Career Investigation project was Mikayla Lacher. Receiving a gold medal for her Chapter Service Project Display was Bailey Adams. Receiving a silver medal for her Job Interview was Abigail Martel. Also receiving a silver medal for their Chapter Service Project Display was Kiersten Boehm and Samantha Hendrickson.

STAR Events are competitive events in which members are recognized for proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills, and career preparation. Competitive events provide an opportunity for top individuals or teams, in each of the twenty-one event categories, to advance to the national competition which will take place July in Atlanta, GA.

We are proud to announce that three members of the Richland Chapter qualified to compete in the National STAR Event competition. Mikayla Lacher, Bailey Adams, and Abigail Martel will be traveling to Atlanta, GA at the end of June to attend and compete at the National FCCLA Convention. To raise money for their competition, they sold and baked over 300 kuchen! We wish them the best of luck this June 27- July 3!

Another exciting event for the Richland FCCLA Chapter was the 47th year of Secret Grandparents. Secret Grandparents was started in 1971 and has continued to be a FCCLA program that connects the community. This year we had 33 students writing letters with grandparents from the community since November. The students and their secret grandparents were revealed May 9 at a brunch. All in attendance were entertained by the Richland 44 music department who performed a number of selections.

As the year closes, we look forward to many more years of continuing the tradition of Secret Grandparents. We also wish the students competing at National FCCLA the best of luck!



FCCLA Advisor Mrs. Hiller and FCCLA Members at STAR Events



Good luck at Nationals, Bailey, Abby, & Mikayla!!

# RHS Musicians Shine at State Music Contest

by: Hanna Johnson 

After receiving stars at Valley City, two Richland band groups were able to compete at the North Dakota State Music Contest which was held in Bismarck on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5.

The large group ensemble performed “Hymn for Band” and received an excellent. This ensemble was composed of eleven members with a plethora of different instruments. Those members include the following: Chase Schmidt, Kiersten Boehm, Ellie Storbakken, Gunnar Miller, Zach Wulfekuhle, Zachariah Ringdahl, Kaitlyn Wagner, Dain Anderson, Trenton Dufner, Kariann Sahl, and Samantha Walter.

Sophomore Zach Wulfekuhle also went to state for his trumpet solo “Twilight Dreams” and earned a star! Mr. Mark Aamold, our band and



choir teacher, was very proud of the musicians. When asked about state, he replied, “Both Zach and the large group performed very well.” Speaking of performances, Zach also performed his trumpet solo at the FCCLA Secret Grandparent Party as well as at Night of the Arts.

Congratulations to everyone involved on your great performances and musical season!



## Kindred/Richland Baseball

The Kindred/Richland baseball team has been enjoying a successful season. After a slow start due to this year’s cold and snowy spring weather, the Vikings started the season strong with two big wins (10-4, 10-0) over the Oak Grove Grovers. The team then lost a close game to LaMoure-Litchville/Marion by a score of 6-7, but the Vikings bounced back and went on to defeat Enderlin/Maple Valley (8-6) and Central Cass (1-0).

The team ended their regular season with an 11-3 overall record. They are heading into the upcoming region tournament as the number two seed.

Richland has two players on the varsity baseball team this year: Carter Lingen and Trenton Dufner.

## Kindred/Richland Softball

The Kindred/Richland softball team has been enjoying another very successful season. The Vikings ended their regular season with a 13-3 overall record and are heading into the upcoming region tournament as the number two seed.

Highlights of the season include big wins against Enderlin/Maple Valley (22-7), Grafton (5-1), and Northern Cass (12-4). The Vikings also beat multiple class A teams including Fargo North, Fargo South, and Fargo Davies.

Richland only has one player on the varsity team this year, eighth grader Megan Roob.

# Richland Clay Target Team

Richland started a spring clay target league in 2016 and it seems to grow in numbers each year. The weather slowed the team down a bit at the start of this year's season, but they are going strong now. Richland's team currently has twenty-two shooters from grades 7-12 and they are coached by Mark Althoff.

This year's team members include: John Haverland, Aaron Meyer, Jeremy Vig, Blaine Brewer, Parker Crooks, Frank Holzhey, Alison Haverland, Bret Hegseth, Brock Hegseth, McKenzie Johnson, Gunnar Miller, Reese Pederson, Chase Schmitt, Elliot Beito, Shandi Callenius, Kaden Carlson, Alex Martel, Blake Miller, Gavin Pederson, Adam Skoog, Megan Taszarek and Hans Weinmann.

The trap season started off this year on April 3rd. The first week was spent inside reviewing safety and technique because the range was still covered in snow. During the second week, the ath-

letes toughed it out and practiced in the snow.

Since the clay target team is fairly new, many people aren't very familiar with it. Here is a basic description of the sport. Every Tuesday the team meets at the range and each athlete shoots two rounds of 25 from five different stations. The scores (the number of birds/clay targets they hit) for each athlete are sent into the State Clay Target League each week.

After six weeks of shooting, the average for each athlete is figured and they are placed in one of three categories: varsity, junior varsity, and novice. The season ends at the State Trap Shoot by Horace which will be held on June 16.

Clay Target teams are growing in numbers across the state and nation. We are proud to have students at Richland who are dedicated to this sport and we wish them all the best of luck at the State Trap Shoot!



*2018 Clay Target Team*

# *First Ever Golf Team at RHS*

This spring has been the debut season for the Richland boys' golf team. This year's team is young. Members include one sophomore and five seventh graders: Jack Ringdahl, Mason Storbakken, Teddy Flaa, Adam Skoog, Tanner Zander, and Dylan Bernotas.

The weather has not been very good for spring sports this year and the boys spent a lot of time training indoors, but they have managed to get outside and compete in some meets during the last couple of weeks at places such as Enderlin, Casselton, and Carrington.

When asked about the season, Coach Hannasch said, "For this being the first year of golf, the boys have done great. We spent more time inside hitting on nets and off turf than we wanted, but the boys worked hard and learned a lot. They have done well now that we have finally been able to get outside. Hopefully the boys had a great time and will work on their game throughout the summer."

Hannasch said that Richland added the sport due to high interest from students and he hopes that more students will join the team next year. He also hopes we can get a girls' golf team going as well.



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# Varsity Track

by: Cole Myers

The Richland varsity track and field team has had a very short but successful season so far this year. The Colts are low in numbers again, but everyone is working hard and performing well at meets. The weather has been a limiting factor this spring, but the team got plenty of practice time indoors before they finally were able to compete outside. The first outdoor meet was in the middle of April this year. Despite the weather and the small numbers, the Colts still found a way to push through and compete hard.

The Colts have two athletes who have already punched their tickets to state: junior Kennedy Flaa and junior Blake Loomis. Kennedy has had a great season so far and is looking to keep things going at state. Kennedy will be competing in high jump, long jump, and triple jump at the state meet in Bismarck. This is the third year in a row that Kennedy has qualified to state. Blake has also had a great season slinging the shot put and is also looking to keep things going at state as well. He will be competing in the shot put at state for the second year in a row. Congrats to these two athletes and good luck!

The varsity track team has a great coaching staff this year, led by head coach Daniel Perez, assistant Aaron Doan and assistant coach Grant. These coaches have been working to keep the athletes in the best shape for their events. Thank you to these coaches for all of their hard work and dedication to the team.

The regional meet is coming up soon and the Colts are looking to send some more athletes to the state meet. Good luck to all athletes competing!



Blake Loomis



Kennedy Flaa

# New JH Track Coach

by: Katy Erickson



Mardee Besette was one of the newest additions to our Richland 44 coaching staff this year. According to her track and field athletes, she is an excellent coach who works hard every day to help them reach their fullest potential.

Coach Besette attended Richland High School and participated in basketball, track, choir, and speech. After high school, she attended NDSCS and NDSU and she currently works at Red River Communications.

Coach Besette chose to take on this coaching job as a way to reconnect with the sport and help track athletes get down the fundamentals of their events. Her favorite thing about Richland is that it's "home" and she gets to see familiar faces every day.

In her spare time, Coach Besette likes to spend time outdoors hunting, fishing, camping and taking pictures!

## Junior High Track & Field

The jr high track season had a rough start as the weather didn't want to cooperate. The first outdoor meet of the season was on April 27. That day Dylan Bernotas came away with 5th place in the 100m dash and Nick Thompson swept 1st place in both shot put and discus.

The NDSCS outdoor meet on April 30 proved the team has continued to grow and develop their skills. Results of that day are as follows: Drew Gunness took 6th in discus, Dylan Bernotas took 5th in the 100m dash and long jump, Alex Martel took 5th in the 200m dash, and Grace

Miranowski took home 4th in the 100m hurdles.

So far one of the most exciting moments this year was at the April 30 meet when Nick threw an incredible 138.9 in discus. Not only was that a personal best for Nick, but it also broke the jr high track school record. Nick also took 1st in shot put that day with a throw of 42.1 which is exactly 3 feet from the school record in shot put. Excitement continues to build as the season is coming to a close. We're all waiting to see if Nick can break that record too!

# *Just For Kix Dance Team*

by: Hanna Johnson

A team composed of eleven dancers from grades six through ten began their season this year with high hopes! The programs offered for the oldest team are Junior Kix and Junior Combo, which is a class composed of a combination of jazz and hip hop. Ten of the dancers on Junior Kix are from Kindred and one is from Richland, sophomore Hanna Johnson.

The team flew through the season, performing at basketball games for both Kindred and Richland and training for competitions. The first competition was in Wahpeton on February 23 and in a time span of two hours, the team had warmed up, stretched, danced, rehearsed, changed, and been to awards three times! There was no time to rest, but their hard work paid off! The team placed third in jazz, third in kick, and second in hip hop!

The dance team then competed in Alexandria on March 10. It was a much harder competition and they placed third in kick and second in hip hop. On March 24 the girls competed in Moorhead. There, they placed fourth in jazz,

third in kick, and second in hip hop.

After having difficulties at competitions with their jazz routine, the team completely changed their tactic. They learned an entire new dance in one practice and trained hard with it for two weeks. Then, they took it to their final competition on April 7 at Valley City.

Through team bonding and motivational speeches, the girls felt more prepared than they had for earlier competitions. They tied for second place in kick but ultimately lost the tie-breaker and received third. The team placed second with their new jazz routine, a mere one point out of first place, and they finally earned first place in hip hop!

The girls danced to the songs "Fight Night," "Watch Me Drop," "Raging Fire," "In The Air," and "Jump and Shake It" throughout the season. They were coached by Justine Winterowd, a Central Cass graduate who has been dancing since childhood. This year's season came to a close on April 29 at the annual spring show.

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