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NTCHS Greet Three New Students Calvin Hochstein



By ALISON WATSON

Junior Calvin Hochstein is NTCHS's latest newcomer. In Dec. 2010, he moved to Coutts, Al-

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Vanessa Legler



By MAHKIA CLARK

Sophomore Vanessa Legler moved to Sunburst from Dewey, Arizona, in Oct. 2010 when her father accepted a job at the Sunburst Border Patrol Station.

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Heather Froslic



By LARA CLARK

Freshman Heather Froslic moved to Kevin from Conrad in Nov. 2010. Froslic attended school in

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Students Explore Career Options

By LARA CLARK

Five students left early Thursday morning Jan. 6 at about 7:15 a.m. to Great Falls, Mont. to attend an activity called College in a Day at the Great Falls College of Technology.

Terri Iverson Chaproned seniors Nicole Fleisher, Coby Epperson, Lara Clark and junior Titia Bloch.

The group arrived late due to bad roads. The first class introduction was

where they told students what they would be doing in their three picked classes and where they were located. There were many classes offered to the high school students.

There was Welding, Col-

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Senior Nicole Fleisher peruses a brochure, examining her college options during College in a Day at Great Falls College of Technology Thursday Jan. 6.

Mass Shootings Prompt School Officials to Review Safety Protocols

By REFINER STAFF

A nine-year-old girl, Christina Green, who was born on September 11, 2001, was killed in the Tucson mass shooting on Jan. 8, 2011. Twenty other people were shot, six fatally, during Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords' meeting at a Safeway supermarket.

The accused shooter, Jared Lee Loughner (22) was arrested at the scene. Authorities filed five charges against him, including attempt of assassination of a congress member. Hand-

written notes planning to kill Giffords were found. His motive is unclear.

Others dead include Dorothy Morris, 76, John Roll, 63, Phyllis Scheck, 79, Dorwan Stoddard, 76, and Gabe Zimmerman, 30. The 14 wounded include the congresswoman and two of her staff members.

On Jan. 5, 2011, 17-year old Robert Butler Jr., son of the Omaha police chief detective, opened fire at his school, Millard South, according to Fox News. His target was the administrators; Vice-principal Vicki Casper (58) was

fatally shot and Principal Curtis Case (45) was shot but was listed in stable condition. The shooting happened at approximately 1 p.m., and the suspect was found in the parking lot approximately 45 minutes later, according to Omaha.com.

Though mass shootings are relatively rare, there were 1,701 homicides among school-age youth in 2007-2008 alone, according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Such public killings naturally cause students, teachers and administra-

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Life

Disney's Animated Film *Tangled* Draws Audiences of All Ages

By LARA CLARK

Tangled is based on Grimm's Fairy Tale "Rapunzel." Rapunzel (Mandy Moore) has been trapped since she was a baby in a tower by a witch who she thinks is her mother, but she is determined to see the world.

Then here comes the bad

boy, Flynn Rider (Zachary Levi) to get "tangled" into Rapunzel's plan to get out of the tower while her adopted mother is gone. Rapunzel has 70 feet of magic hair that preserves youth.

Flynn and Rapunzel make a deal and go off to explore what is the real truth of her life.

By a couple million dollars, *Tangled* beat out the new Harry Potter by \$4.8 million. This Disney Movie Cost \$260 million and will be released on DVD in the spring according to MTV Movie News.

I just can't believe that an animated movie like *Tangled* could cost so much.

They say it is one of the funniest little kid movies of the year, and the second best after Harry Potter.

This family-oriented kids' film is a have to see movie. The movie itself has great animation, way better than most Disney movies besides *Bolt*.

Soon you can enjoy *Tangled* on Netflix or Redbox.



Jack Frost: A Lesser Known Legend



By ALISON WATSON

Who is Jack Frost and why is he "nipping at your nose"?

Jack Frost is an elf looking creature that is commonly recognized as the personification of harsh winter weather.

For centuries he has been given the credit for beautiful ice designs on windows and in trees and for frosting the winter season.

But along with the good credit, he also is blamed for frost bite and the chills that come when one steps outside.

There is a Scandinavian legend about a "Jokul Frosti", meaning Icicle Frost by the Norse Vikings. This is believed to be the origin of Jack Frost.

However, it is unclear where exactly where Frost originated because there are many characters that are similar to him that he could have been derived from. Some examples are Old Man Winter, Frosti, The Son of Blast, and Father Winter.

Several movies refer to the character including one 1998 film by the title *Jack Frost* and starring Michael Keaton.

The next time you awaken delighted by the flocking on the trees or are cursing while scraping your car windshield, credit Jack Frost.

Holiday Honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

By ALISON WATSON

Martin Luther King Jr. is the youngest person to have ever received the Nobel Peace Prize; he was only 35, according to nobelprize.org.

On April 4, 1968, Luther was standing on the balcony of his motel room in Memphis, Tennessee when he was assassinated.

We celebrate Martin Luther King Day because of his great contributions to the civil rights movement.

Although the bill to acknowledge this day was presented just two years after his death, it took 15 years to get it approved and another 15 before all 50 states honored the holiday with his name.



New Year Prompts Many to Resolve to Improve Life

By MAHKIA CLARK

It's that time once again: the beginning of a new year, with it comes the common tradition of making New Year's Resolutions.

Freshman Jose Endrina said he resolves to "be a better student." Many students who set goals plan to do better in school.

Sophomore Kylie Pattison "resolves to never sing a Justin Bieber song again."

New Year's Resolutions are said to have begun with the Babylonians,

in the year 2000 B.C. It wasn't until 153 B.C. that the Romans declared January 1st to be the official start of the New Year, according to Yahoo! News.

**"A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other."
Oscar Wilde**

A study conducted by the University of Minnesota found that 80 percent of people who make

New Year's Resolutions give up after two months.

How can people keep their resolutions throughout the entire year? Here are some tips from the

University of Maryland Medical Center: avoid perfectionist thinking, give resolutions some meanings, take baby steps, and view setbacks as lessons for growth.

Here's to a healthy and prosperous 2011 and last-ing New Year's Resolutions. Happy New Year!

Sports

Boy's Basketball Triumphs in First Win of the Season

By **ANGIE CHRISTIAENS**

On Jan. 13, the Sunburst Refiners basketball team traveled to the Augusta gym to take on the Elks.

Sunburst had a slow beginning as Augusta went on a 9-0 run in the first quarter, but the Refiners fought their way back to match their points at 13-13 in the second quarter. However, it proved to not be enough as Sunburst lost by 17 points with Sunburst 37, August 54.

Junior Scott Bye was leading scorer with 11 points and junior Justin Hauschulz also put in nine. This was sophomore Austin Luckenbill's first varsity game and he rebounded well to put up six points. Luckenbill said, "I didn't know the plays very well, but I learned a lot from my first game."

The Refiners then traveled again on Jan. 14 to Box Elder where they competed against the Bears. Switching between a triangle and two and man-to-man defense proved to be too much for Box Elder. Also, excellent rebounding came from down low for the Refiners during a rough game in the Bear Den. However, Sunburst played well and grabbed their first win by five points against the non-conference Bears. The final score was Sunburst 66, Box Elder 61.

Bye was again leading scorer with an impressive 25 points and Hauschulz rebounded well to score 18 points. Senior Zach Johannsen was also in double figures with 15 points. Bye said, "We finally played hard and came together as a team."

Finally, on Jan. 15 the Refiners played in their own home court where

they hosted the Power Pirates. Power, being first place in their district, outscored Sunburst in the first, second, and fourth quarters for a loss of 31 points to the Refiners. The final score was Sunburst 42, Power 73.

Bye shot well again and became the leading scorer by putting up another 25 points against the Pirates. He gained those points with the help of four three pointers. Hauschulz was second leading scorer with eight points.

The Refiners will play again on Jan. 21 where they travel to Chester to

take on the CJI Hawks. On Jan. 22, Sunburst will again travel to Heart Butte to compete against the Warriors. The Sunburst Refiners have an overall record of 1-8.

Sophomore Haley Denison takes a shot against CJI defense during the JV girls' basketball game Monday Jan. 3. Denison plays guard and this is her first year with the NTCHS team.



Photo by Angie Christiaens
From left to right, assistant coach Sue Bock, freshmen Finley Jarvis and Mason Kearns and sophomores Kamron Ratzburg and Kramer Potack; front row coach Matt Turner and junior Josh Friesen strategize during a time out of the JV boys' basketball game Monday Jan. 3.

Girl's Basketball Competes to Improve Conference Record

By **ANGIE CHRISTIAENS**

The Lady Refiner basketball team traveled on Jan. 13 to compete against the non-conference Augusta Elks. The Lady Re-

finers played solid defense and was up by ten at the half, but Augusta came back to burst couldn't hold on and they lost by two points to the Elks with Sunburst 40, Augusta 42.

Senior Angie Christiaens was leading scorer with 20 points and junior Alex Watterud hustled to contribute seven points as well.

On Jan. 14, the Lady Refiners journeyed to Box Elder to play another non-conference team. Box Elder proved to be too quick for them and Sunburst lost by 24 points with a score of Sunburst 39, Box Elder 63.

Christiaens lead the team with 18 points and senior Ashlee Simmes and sophomore Becky Flesch both rebounded well to gain six points each.

The Lady Refiners then hosted the Power Pirates on Jan. 15. Sunburst played to their potential and gave an opportunity for everyone on the team to put up at least two points. The Lady Refiners crushed the Pirates with a win of 39 points. The score was Sunburst 54, Pirates 15.

Christiaens lead the team with 11 points and Watterud was in double figures as well with ten.

The Lady Refiners have had an average season with an overall record of 5-4.

	Scoreboard	
	Boys	Girls
CJI	L 39-44	W 44-31
Heart B	L 63-67	W 59-29
Simms	L 38-46	W 39-20
Dutton/B	L 32-73	W 42-29
Valier	L 46-67	L 38-51
North S	L 43-49	L 42-45 OT
Augusta	L 37-54	L 40-42
Box Eld.	W 66-61	L 39-63
Power	L 42-73	W 51-15



Photo by Angie Christiaens

Community

Baby Deaths Lead to Law Prohibiting Sale of Drop-Down Cribs

By REFINER STAFF

Pregnant women and mothers of infants may realize they own illegal cribs this summer.

Members of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission voted unanimously on Wednesday Dec. 15 to ban the manufacture, sale and resale of drop side cribs.

The requirement for cribs to have fixed sides will take effect in June 2011, according to The Sun News. Two years

ago safety concerns led to a product recall. After the recall, cribs were no longer made with sides that drop; however, many consumers continued to purchase used cribs with movable sides.

“I am glad that they are watching out for the babies but sometimes I wonder if they aren’t too cautious,” said Brianna Gillund James.

The new law prohibits the resale of such cribs. This may cause financial

hardship to lower-income families. Those looking to buy used cribs may have a difficult time finding used legal ones. Many with the older-model crib cannot afford to replace the one they already own.

This motion also prohibits hotels and childcare centers from using these cribs.

On Nov. 23, 2009, the CPSC announced the largest crib recall in history with 2.1 million Stork Craft drop-side cribs. The



CPSC has reported four deaths of babies who suffocated in the cribs, due to the side that moves up and down.

When the drop side part of the crib would become detached, it provided a dangerous place to trap the baby’s head between the drop-side and the mattress of the crib.

The drop-side part of the crib was convenient for

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Winter Germs Infect Many and Reduce School Attendance

By ANGIE CHRISTIAENS

Along with the winter snow and icy breeze come the coughing, sneezing, and flu illnesses. Winter germs have taken their toll and they’ve certainly hit NTCHS.

According to the attendance records, NTCHS has suffered a major decline in attendance due to illnesses. In the first quarter of school, during the fall, the average amount of students gone in one day due to illness was five. That’s nothing compared to the second quarter where the average students gone due to illness is twelve. “Kids should stop sharing anything...everything! Maybe it’ll keep the germs

from spreading,” said Val McAlpine.

According to the Dept. of Health and Human Services, students should have their flu shot taken to keep their immune system healthy throughout the winter. The flu shot can be taken at any local hospital or health care center, such as the Marias Health Care center in Shelby or even the Albertsons’ pharmacy in Cut Bank. Also, if you’re scared of having a shot, a nasal spray is available for children, but people with asthma or a weakened immune system should take the shot instead.

Last year, the swine flu was most popular in the United States and caused

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HOCHSTEIN

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berta. When he heard that his grandmother, Glenna McCloud, could use assistance at home, he agreed to move in.

Hochstein came from Boise, Idaho from a school with over 2,500 students.

He played lacrosse and enjoys mountain biking, dirt biking, and hanging

out with friends.

Hochstein listens to rap and rock music.

He has not yet decided what career he wants to pursue once he graduates from high school.

“The best part of moving here is that I get to take care of my grandma,” said Hochstein.

Sunburst Restaurant Reopens Under New Management

By MAHKIA CLARK

Monica Taylor, originally from Malta, is the new owner of Last Chance Café. She said she came across an ad for the café on Craig’s List and contacted Korey Fauque of KW Insurance.

She said, “It seemed like a profitable business just sitting there so I figured I’d give it a try.”

The Last Chance Café provides a variety of ready-made lunches for high school students, including burgers and pizza.

According to Taylor,

the restaurant offers full lunch, breakfast, and dinner menus, as well as a daily lunch special.

Junior Andrew Stevens said “I want to go there for lunch some time to try out the new food. It’s different than the usual place and it’s open and in Sunburst.”

Taylor said, “I will stay open one hour after the {Sunburst} home games for customers.”

The Cafe also offers holiday specials on Valentine’s Day and Mother’s Day, among others.

FROSLIE

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Sunburst before.

She currently lives with her mother, Kris Postma.

Froslic said she returned to Sunburst schools because she prefers them to Conrad.

She enjoys all sports, especially basketball, soccer, softball, volleyball and track.

Despite being new to the high school, she got involved right away and is the only freshman playing with the girls’ basketball team. She plays guard.

In her spare time, Froslic watches TV, listens to music, texts and sleeps.

Her music preferences are diverse but her favorite is Rascal Flatts.

Her favorite network is MTV. Tosh.0 is her favorite show.

“This move was pretty easy because I already know a lot of people. I’m glad I was able to join the basketball team and I’m excited to play softball in the spring,” Froslic said.

School

Opinion

Computer Internet Safety Precautions Frustrate Students

By VERONICA GILLUND

Since the start of this school year, I have had frustrations with the school's internet security system. Teachers assign reports and expect us to work on them in class, but how can we get anything done when we get kicked off of Google before we even have a chance to find any information we need?

Mr. Biniek said, "Keywords on the site that you are on block you, and cause the internet to close." Different computers will close off for different reasons because there may be variations in the program (Cyber Sentinel), whether it is an updated version or not.

The school is looking to

update the security system this summer.

Mr. Biniek said a problem could also be stability on the Internet Explorer program. It closes when it updates, trying to "mesh" things together.

Mr. Biniek recommends using Firefox instead of Internet Explorer.

Freshmen Erika Postman, Finley Jarvis, Mason Kearns and sophomore Cole Brown play board games and munch on popcorn before winter break Friday Dec. 17.



Activities Celebrate Final School Day of 2010

By VERONICA GILLUND

Friday, Dec. 17, students at NTCHS celebrated the last day of school before winter break.

Classes were held the first half of the day on a noon schedule. Sack lunches were provided by the elementary school cafeteria, and then students were allowed to enjoy the

movies *Elf*, *Christmas Vacation* or *Eclipse*. Others played games in different classrooms.

This was a new way to celebrate the last day before winter break. In the past, students have gone bowling in Shelby or Conrad with pizza or lunch at The Griddle. Some kids were upset by the change in tradition. Senior Zach Johannsen said, "Ever since I was a freshman we have gone bowling. I don't like the change."

Student Council advisor Mr. Dunk said that the change was due to "the fact that there was a home game that day and finances."

Although some students weren't fond of the change of tradition, many still enjoyed the game and movie-filled afternoon.

Senior Myles Mokate said "it was nice to not have the stress of school work."

GERMS

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frenzy in all households to have the flu shot taken. More and more people have been taking the flu shot according to the Dept. of Health and Human Services. Sunburst was even hit by the swine flu as many students became ill and missed school.

However, you can prevent from becoming ill by washing hands regularly, covering up your cough/sneeze, sleeping at least eight hours at night and to stay home for at least 24 hours if feeling ill. NTCHS provides sanitizers in every classroom and they should be used frequently. For more ways to prevent illness, visit www.nyredcross.org/?nd=winter_illness_safety_guide.



Sophomores Ben McAlpine and Cory Buckley attempt to conquer the obstacle course by going backwards. National Guardsmen set up the inflatable course in the NTCHS gym Monday Jan. 8. Both elementary and high school students participated.

Students Learn They Can Conquer Any Obstacles

By ANGIE CHRISTIAENS

On Jan. 10, NTCHS received an obstacle course courtesy of the National Guard.

The main purpose of the obstacle course is always seen as a recruiting program for anyone looking to join the military, but there are also many other reasons for the course.

Staff Sergeant Cody Lentz said that the obstacle course helps young people face fears by conquering heights, and other fears, especially those in the Elementary school.

Lentz also said, "It's an effective tool to make a face in the public (for the military) and it breaks the ice between students and

military."

All of NTCHS was invited to participate in the obstacle course and many students were challenged to show their friends and even themselves what they were capable of.

The servicemen provided harder obstacles besides just the course, such as going up the course

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Activities

Sophistikix Dancers Perform During Basketball Halftimes

By VERONICA GILLUND

The Sophisti-Kix dance team made their debut over Christmas break, performing for the first time since last Feb. Friday, Dec. 17, they “kicked” off their season by dancing to “Giddy on Up” by Laura Belle Bundy. The following Thursday, Dec. 23, they performed again, this time, their dance “Sugar Rush” by Cash Cash.

After the first performance, members were upset by a difference in timing with the music and their actions, although no spectators seemed to no-

tice, and the group stayed in sync through the dance despite the timing of the music.

“When I noticed that the music was off, I just kept going, and I still felt proud after it because the crowd didn’t notice,” said junior Whitney Aschim.

The dance team was very proud of their second performance to “Sugar Rush.” Senior Jacoba Hauschulz said, “I had a huge adrenaline rush still running through me (after the dance) and the excitement of knowing that we hit it spot on made me feel



Photo by Angie Christiaens
Back row: juniors Whitney Aschim and Amanda Tharp, freshman Chimane Hastings; middle row: junior Alex Watterud, seniors Ashlee Simmes, Veronica Gillund, Jacoba Hauschulz; front row: junior Hali Miller. The sophostikix dance team strikes their final pose for their dance “Sugar Rush” during half time of the Dec. 23 boys’ basketball varsity game.

really proud of my team. I can’t wait to perform it again.”

The team is on their way to learning their third and final dance to Sara Bareilles’s “Gonna Get Over You.” They hope to perform this wearing new uniforms that they

ordered. With many obstacles, including Speech and Drama meets and choir festivals, the team is hopeful that they get to dance as much as they can before district tournaments start, where they plan to dance in Conrad.

RECALL

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parents to pull it down and grab their children out of the crib with ease. Within Canada and the U.S. there were 110 incidents, 67 of which occurred in the U.S. and 43 in Canada, according to officials from the drop-side crib recall website.

Stork Craft sent out free repair kits to repair the drop-side into a fixed side that would not move, hence, preventing many infant injuries and deaths.

For more information about the initial recall, visit www.dropsidecribre-call.com.

COLLEGE

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lision repairs, and financial aid help classes and many others. Bloch said, “You met new people who were into the same things as you are.”

There were kids scrambling to get to where they were supposed to go. It was not easy finding the classes students had to be at but there were many kids in the same position.

There were freshman and sophomores and juniors and seniors from schools all over Montana.

Most of the classes were

done around noon and then the students ate lunch and started the trip home.

On the return trip, two students were dropped off at the Valier exit to go play a basketball game. Other students returned in time for their eighth period class.

Although most participants were disappointed by the experience, Epperson, who wants to be a diesel mechanic, said “The professors were very informative about their classes.”

LEGLER

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She knew no one in the area when she moved to Sunburst, since she has no relatives in the area.

Her favorite music is country music, especially Keith Urban. Her family has eight dogs and four cats.

She previously attended Bradshaw Mountain High School, which had approximately 1, 600 kids.

“It’s a big change from Arizona,” Legler said. “It’s nice here but it’s really cold!”

At Bradshaw Mountain High School, she sang in the choir for five years, played soccer, and took art classes that she enjoyed.

At NTCHS, she is involved in cheerleading and hopes to play volleyball next season.

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School

Construction Redirects School Commuters

By REFINER STAFF

For some students, the drive to NTCHS just became slightly more complicated. Construction workers began digging in the intersection just north and east of the NTCHS parking lot Friday Jan. 7, fencing off the construction area marked as part of the Sunburst Restoration Project.

According to Superintendent Tim Sharp, the construction will be an inconvenience for the next two months.

A company representative met with Sharp on Monday Jan. 10 to explain the process and learn how they could minimize problems. Construction workers will take haul breaks

from 8:00-8:30 a.m. for student arrival, from 11:00 to 12:15 for student lunch and from 3:15 to 3:45 for student departure.

Officials are cleaning up the gasoline plume that leaked from the old refinery site. They dig dirt in the affected area and take it to a secondary site where the dirt is turned over repeatedly until it is

deemed clean.

Once the process is complete, they will install monitoring wells to check the cleanliness of the soil.

Tharp stated that this type of construction is best done this time of year when it is cold. If tractors brought dirt to the surface when it is warm, fumes from the gas would escape and affect the town.

Tractors remove contaminated dirt from the plume site where the old refinery once was. Several empty lots and the intersection will have dirt treated as part of the cleanup process.



OBSTACLE COURSE

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backwards or even teaching a team exercise where four people had to do push ups together.

PFC Travis Owens said to anyone who is thinking of joining the military to “think carefully and make your own decisions. Don’t let anyone push you in the direction you don’t want to go.”

Owens also agreed with Lentz in saying that the obstacle course was “effective in bridging the gap between civilians and people in uniform.”

One student that participated was sophomore Cole Brown who said, “It opened up a new perspective to me and gave (me) a whole new respect to the National Guard.”

SCHOOL SAFETY

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tors to consider school safety.

Concerning local security, Superintendent Tim Sharp said that NTCHS has plans in case of such emergency situations. “If something happened, we’d go into immediate lockdown.”

Tharp said he is currently reviewing safety protocols to see how they work in conjunction with local agencies. He considers it a real advantage to have so many uniformed officers nearby.

According to Tharp, it is more likely that an emergency such as a chemical spill from the railroad or highway would cause NTCHS to make use of such protocols; however, the response procedures would be the same, he said, and officials would still need to coordinate with all the same agen-

cies.

As a Toole County deputy sheriff, Tharp has experience in emergency situations and pointed to a recent rollover accident on I-15 where border patrol agents responded to the scene and helped to divert traffic. He stated that the different law enforcement agencies in the area work well together.

Tharp was quick to point

out that the one consistent element in most school shootings, though, is that “everyone says ‘I didn’t think it could happen here’.”

“These things don’t happen in a vacuum,” Tharp said, “someone will be aware via text messages, Facebook, or conversations; if a student suspects something, they need to come to me or tell a trust-

ed adult right away.”

Mrs. Johanson said that the deadbolts on classroom doors are a big improvement so that teachers don’t have to lock the doors from the hallway in case of an emergency. Her only concern was that new students might not know what to do.

Students can expect drills in the coming months to prepare for fire or lockdown emergencies.

When such tragedies occur, many are left mourning and questioning why.

John Green, father of the nine-year-old shot in Tucson, showed poise in an interview on The Today Show saying “It shouldn’t happen in this country or anywhere else, but in a free society, we are going to be subject to people like this. I prefer this to the alternative.”



Emergency personnel use a stretcher to move Rep. Gabrielle Giffords after she was shot in the head outside a shopping center in Tucson on Saturday Jan. 8.

Photo by James Palka/AP


School

Shodair Children's Hospital Thanks NTCHS Students for Donation

Reprinted from letter sent to NTCHS FCCLA
By Glen Newhart, CFRE
Foundation Director

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Luther League Sponsors Holiday Bowling Event

By AMANDA THARP
Wednesday Dec. 22 eight NTCHS and several middle school students celebrated the holidays with a pot luck and bowling.
Senior Nicole Fleisher; juniors Amanda Tharp, Andrew Stevens, Kelsey Burley, A.J. Brickel, Jesse Tomsheck and Josh Friesen; and sophomore Satyn Tomsheck attended.
Students played games and participated in a Chinese gift exchange before

driving to Shelby for Mid-night Bowling.
The activity was organized by the Luther League.
Several students expressed disappointment that the high school did not go bowling on the final school day before winter break this year.
Friesen said he enjoyed the activity and went because "bowling is fun."
Luther League sponsors activities open to all youth throughout the year.

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