# Tidbits

#### **NDSD Resource Center**

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### Connie's Celebrations

April is a beautiful month with the trees budding, the grass turning green and the tulips and daffodils blooming. It is also a difficult time for those of us with allergies as the pollen is strong. At NDSD April is a time for assessing student progress. We administer the state assessments and six students are completing their three year assessments. Students may find these tests long and difficult but we use the results to determine student progress in academic, social and emotional areas. The Education Staff conduct weekly PLC meetings to take an in-depth look at each student. The team then makes any needed changes in current programming and begins planning for the fall.

The NDSD Management Team is also assessing the Strategic Plan goals and developing new ones for next year. We are excited to have been able to remain open and provide direct services to the deaf and hard of hearing individuals across the state. This was our main objective for this year. The safety and health of our staff, students and clients is always in the forefront of our decisions. We have learned that for good mental health we need to be communicating on a regular basis and making connections at a personal level.

We have expanded our use of newsletters, social media, mail, virtual platforms and telephone. This has resulted in building new and stronger positive relationships with our clients and their families.



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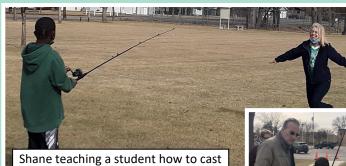
#### **TAKE A PEEP!!** These students had fun building sweet, little PEEPS HOUSES just in time for Easter. Aren't they SWEET?



Director of Bldgs & Grounds, Chris Eckes, took time to instruct use of simple machines for a Science class. Later, he presented a tour of the power plant and boiler to show how simple machines are incorporated into various mechanical systems.







Shane teaching a student how to cast a fishing rod; Didn't know they would also catch "trouble."

# Dorm Life





**CAMPUS CLEAN-UP** These kids have so much spunk when it comes to keeping our campus clean. Thank goodness "fun-fetti" poppers disappeared in the grass.





We stood outside to cheer on the DLHS girls basketball team on their way to state.



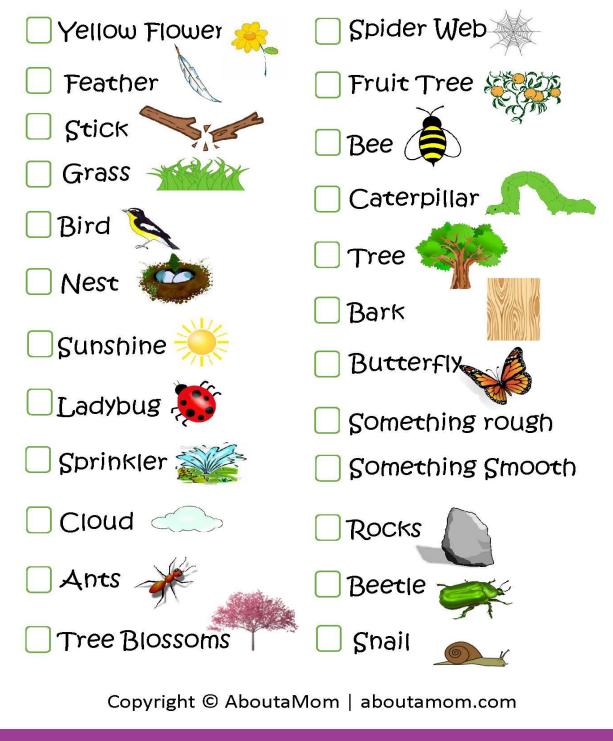
Dorm science experiments: food coloring, baking soda and vinegar.





Parent-Infant Program/ School Age Outreach Specialists

## **Spring Scavenger Hunt**

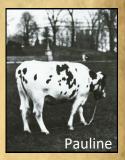


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### Banner Flashback 1909 & 1926 - Dairy Heard

Submitted by Lilia Bakken, Communications

**Banner Flashback 1909**—A herd of thirteen head of Holstein stock has been purchased for the School. Four of the Holsteins are full blood and registered. The balance are first grades. It is our intention to gradually build up a herd of full blood stock. The stock came from the celebrated Schilling farm at Northfield, Minnesota. Some of our full blood Holsteins are related to President Taft's famous cow, Pauline (often seen grazing on the White House lawn). Pauline provides fresh milk for the presidential family and shares the White House stables with Taft's carriage horses.

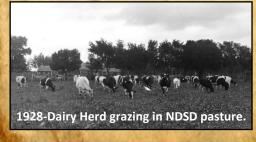


Banner Flashback 1926—The students of the 12<sup>th</sup> grade, accompanied by their teacher, went to the

barn where the school keeps and milks some fifteen cows. The cows keep the milk pitchers on the tables well supplied with sweet milk with which our grateful tots grow fat and strong. The trouble was none of our handsome and useful Holsteins ever had a name with which to be fondly recalled. The mission of the visitors to the barn was to correct this slight and to choose names to harmonize with their behavior or characteristic. One of the bovines was so ladylike that she will be known as Lady; one Beauty for her beauty



spot; a third, Josie, for her resemblance to our own student Josie (in disposition); Curly for her pretty curl near her horn; Dimple for her beautiful cheeks while chewing cud. The one with the bossy disposition will be called Boss, the one with a dot in her eye will be known as Dot, and the one that



appears to have the latest hairstyle will be called Bobette. The rest will be known as Henrietta, Molly, Daisy, Ohma, Min, Maude, and Lizzie. The teacher's instruction to the students was to go to the barn as often as they could and pleasantly call each cow by name so they might begin to recognize them and by doing so in a gentle and kindly manner, the lady bovines will continue to provide sweet milk in abundance for our school.

North Dakota School for the Deaf/Resource Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing will again be holding summer camp at the Triangle YMCA Camp near Garrison this year. It will be held June 14-18, 2021. More information to come at a later date.

