

Activities Director Report

August 17, 2016

News/Notes:

- The two Varsity “home” football games held at Brainerd High School went very well.
 - A huge thank you to our event staff, Brainerd’s staff, and Brainerd AD Charlie Campbell for making those events very enjoyable for everyone involved.
 - The track/football stadium project is currently on course to host our first “home” football game on Friday, Sept. 23rd vs. Esko.
- The Crosby-Ironton Athletic Department has started up our Ranger Athletic Hall of Fame again.
 - The Hall of Fame had not had any new inductees since 2000.
 - This year’s inductees include: Dave Galovich, Hayden Zillmer, and Carol Howe Veenstra.
 - There will be a presentation at halftime of the Homecoming football game and a luncheon on Saturday, Oct. 8th to honor the inductees.
 - Committee members include: Mike Gindorff, John Davies, Joe Simons, Jeremy Millsop, Bill Swensen, and Jared Matson.

Athletics:

- **Football**
 - The Varsity football team is currently 2-0 on season with victories over East Central and Braham. Their next game is Friday, Sept. 16th at Aitkin and their next home game is Sept. 23rd vs. Esko
 - JV/C-Squad football is also currently 2-0 on the season with wins over Deer River and Braham. The JV/C-Squad teams had previously not won a game the past couple years.
- **Volleyball**
 - The volleyball team has a current record of 7-1. They recently defeated McGregor at home and took 1st place at the Pine City Tournament last Saturday, going 4-0 on the day.
 - The JV volleyball team is also off to a hot start as they too have a record of 7-1.
 - Volleyball’s next contest is Sept. 15th at home against Staples-Motley. Also, Saturday, Sept. 17th volleyball hosts the 31st Annual Barb Neprud Invitational. We will have 12 total schools participating in the tournament this year.
- **Cross Country**
 - The cross country team traveled to Pine River recently where the boys took 3rd and the girls took 4th (out of 7 teams).
 - The junior high boys’ team has earned two 1st place finishes already this season. Junior high girls took 3rd once and had a top finisher in the other meet.
 - Cross Country’s next event is Tuesday, Sept. 20th when they travel to Bagley.
- **Tennis**
 - The Varsity tennis team is currently 4-13 overall and 2-3 in conference play. This is a great improvement over last season where they did not win any contests.
 - The next events for tennis include Sept. 15th in Pine City and Sept. 20th at Staples-Motley.

Activities:

- **Music Department (Band/Choir)**
 - The high school music department will be traveling to New York for their spring tour on April 12th-17th
 - Itinerary items include: band and choir performances, Tour of Carnegie Hall, visit to Ground Zero, tour of Times Square, walking tour of Central Park, and much more.

Updated Fall Athletics Participation Numbers

(as of 9/14/2016)

	7th– 8th Grade	<i>[2015]</i>	<i>[2014]</i>	9th–12th Grade	<i>[2015]</i>	<i>[2014]</i>	Total	<i>[2015]</i>	<i>[2014]</i>
Football	31	<i>34</i>	<i>35</i>	45	<i>55</i>	<i>56</i>	76	<i>89</i>	<i>91</i>
Volleyball	16	<i>20</i>	<i>18</i>	34	<i>34</i>	<i>33</i>	50	<i>54</i>	<i>51</i>
Cross Country	11	<i>21</i>	<i>14</i>	19	<i>12</i>	<i>11</i>	30	<i>33</i>	<i>25</i>
Tennis	13	<i>13</i>	<i>15</i>	16	<i>17</i>	<i>21</i>	29	<i>30</i>	<i>36</i>
TOTAL	71	<i>88</i>	<i>82</i>	114	<i>118</i>	<i>121</i>	185	<i>206</i>	<i>203</i>

Respectfully submitted,

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Activities Director/Dean of Students