

## Cashton 7/8th grade Volleyball



This year's 7th/8th grade volleyball teams are having an incredible season so far! The first matches for both teams took place at Necedah on Tuesday, September 12th. The 7th grade won all games against Necedah, Viroqua, and New Lisbon. The 8th grade won four out of their six games against Viroqua, New Lisbon, and Necedah, the losses being against Necedah. The most recent game took place at Brookwood on Thursday, September 21st. The 7th grade, once again, won all 6 games against Brookwood, Wonewoc, and New Lisbon. The 8th grade lost one against Brookwood, leaving them winning five out of six games. The next matches will take place Tuesday, September 26th at Cashton. Hope to see you there!

By Katie Steinhoff

## Larry Long



Pictured above are 23 students and Larry Long working on the song.

There is something special about small, rural communities. The importance of these communities is made even greater with the realization that many are disappearing before our eyes. Cashton is known for being a small, tight-knit community, filled with tradition. Knowing all of this, the 8th grade leadership group has committed to organizing efforts to honor and celebrate our community. Part of this task has led to recognizing individuals who have been with us for generations, being a constant in our developing and ever-changing community. Larry Long, an “American singer-songwriter who has made his life work the celebration of everyday heroes,” joined us in our efforts to honor valued community members. Mrs. Marian Sullivan Schwarz, at 104 years young, is the first of (hopefully) many community members who leadership members will reach out to in order to uncover important parts of our Cashton history and legacy. Mr. Long and the Eighth Grade Leaders teamed up to turn a Marian’s 17 page interview into a song and a narrative. This song will be performed for the first time ever at the Cashton Community Celebration on October 18th. Hope to see you there!

By Laurel Adams

## **Agriculture Exchange Project**

In Agriculture, the 6th graders are doing a fun exchange project. What is this you may ask? It is a project where 6th graders bring in items that represent our state's agriculture. First, we researched what Wisconsin is known for, like cheese, corn, and maple syrup. After that, we figured out who would bring which items. We had to write up descriptions on what we brought in, describing what Wisconsin is ranked nationally for that item. By the end of this week, we have to bring in all the items and send them off to another state. The state that we send them to will probably send us one too, so we will get to see what they are known for in their state. The 6th graders are off to an exciting start in Agriculture.

By Lily Sanders

## Sixth Grade Transition

The pressure of switching from the elementary to the middle school can really be a tricky transitional time for kids. The pressure of getting to your next class on time can get you worrying on if you will make it in time or not. Switching to lockers can be hard on kids too, forgotten locker combinations, or struggles to get it open. There is a lot of self reliancy needed to get where you need to go.

Most students will say that switching to lockers was the most difficult part of the middle school transition. Some students took the opportunity to take a summer school class aimed at helping with these issues. They learned how to open their locker, organize it, learn their schedule, and tour the building. This made the first day of school much easier for these students. Here we will get a view of what it is like from a sixth grader-Connor Butzler. "The most difficult thing was keeping all my supplies in my locker, and keeping it organized."

Switching between teachers and being involved with extracurriculars is another tough part of the transition into the middle school. Middle schoolers are given three minutes between classes to get their supplies together, go to the bathroom, get a drink, and get to their next class before the bell. Here we will see what Sydney Helgerson thinks about this transition. "Having only three minutes between classes to get all my supplies together is the hardest part." A lot of students are also involved in extracurriculars, which makes for a busy schedule. These include: football, cross-country, FBLA, FFA, band, choir, and many more.

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