## New Hampton Elementary Update

Linda Kennedy, Elementary Principal August 2012

Character Counts! at New Hampton Elementary

## **Mentoring Program:**

The following teachers will be attending the Teacher Mentoring Program facilitated by AEA1 at Elkader on September 24<sup>th</sup> and on several days throughout the school year. Mentors: Michelle Hoy, Michelle Reicks, Lynn Ries, and Barb Havlik New Professionals: Emily Baltes, Alana Walker, Miranda Eichenberger, and Gretchen Myers

## In addition, we welcome teachers to new assignments at NHE:

Emily Sanford will teach first grade, Judy Morgan will teach second grade. Stefanie Throndson will teach third grade.

**Bank Iowa** will once again partner with us for our Bucket Filling Program. They have purchased 80 safety neon green t-shirts to be given away during the school year. So many thanks to Rich Kriener and Bank Iowa for their sponsorship. The Bucket Filling Program is NHE's anti-bullying initiative. Students learn and practice the bucket filling concepts throughout the year through the guidance of classroom instructors, the school counselor and the principal.

## **Giant Piggy Bank:**

**Student Banks:** The Giant Piggy Bank will open on August 21<sup>st</sup> for the first time this year. Thirty of our fourth graders have applied, interviewed, and were hired to be the student bankers this year.

Chickasaw Open Golf Tournament: A huge thank you to Lyle and Sally Kriener for generating interest in the advocacy of the New Hampton Community School District in this community. Lyle and Sally staged the third annual Chickasaw Open Golf Tournament promising all proceeds to the three programs of the district. Sixty-four golfers participated. I want to extend a huge thank you to my staff who volunteered their time and effort either as a golfer, volunteer, or donor of a basket for the silent auction part of this event. NHE was well represented at this golf tournament.

Kids in Charge will once again deliver the morning message to NHE students. Kids in Charge are the fourth grade students. Michelle Hoy's literacy class is the forum for preparing the messages.

If time and interest, review the elementary pages of the district website for student programming and parent information.

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