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# The Eagle's Wing Keota Jr./Sr. High School Student Newspaper



# **Kolton Greiner Has Big Plans Ahead**



Pictured from left to right is the 2014 KHS Homecoming court. Back row: Katrina Weber (escort), Derek Berg, Kolton Greiner, Justin Hultman, Luke Lyle, and Sam Ollinger (escort). Front row: Kayla Baker, Cara Hahn, Mallory Ladehoff, and Kelsi Sieren.

#### HOMECOMING **ACTIVITIES**

**By Desi Hesseltine** 

The KHS Cheerleaders will be hosting a wagon float contest the week of Homecoming. The Elementary and High School will both be participating. One winner from the Elementary and one from the High School will receive an ice cream party.

#### **GOVERNMENT** CAMPAIGNS

**By Emily Baetsle** 

At the beginning of the second quarter, the Senior Government class started their campaigns. Before they began, Mr. Snakenberg told the class that the candidates in first place would not have to take the final test. The second place winners would get 50 bonus points added to their test and third place would get 25 bonus points. When talking to Mr. Snakenberg about how he thought the campaigns went, he commented, "This was a great opportunity for the students to participate in a simulation of an election process and I hope it helps them to become informed citizens when it comes time to participate in our democracy. This race was very exciting and was a close one, too. In all, I think the kids did a great job." The winners were Kolton Greiner (Daniel Jacobson) and Justin Hultman (Jack Morgan). In second place (just one vote behind first) were Katrina Weber (Hillary Jones) and Brittany Baumert (Rhonda Tyson). The third place winners were Mallory Ladehoff (Victoria Lockwood) and Kelsi Sieren (Melissa Jennings). When asked what they thought about the outcome, Hultman said, "We were really excited that we won and didn't have to take the test." Regarding finishing in second place, Weber commented, "We were excited and proud to take part in such a competitive competition. Thanks to all the supporters." Sieren commented, "We were very happy, yet surprised, that we finished in third. It was a very good learning experience. Thanks to everyone who voted for us and God Bless America."



**By Maitland Sieren** Kolton Scott Greiner was born on August 8, 1995 to his parents Lindsay and Shelley Greiner. Welcoming him into their family were his older brothers, Keaton and Kalen. Kolton's favorite family mem-

Dells this past summer. During his four years of high school, Kolton's extra-curricular activities have included: football, basketball, track, golf, baseball, speech, 4-H, FFA, and Student Council. Out of these activities, Kolton is most proud of participating in FFA, being the student body president, and a Captain in both football and basketball. He has enjoyed putting in time into football most because it is his favorite sport.

After high school, Kolton plans to go to lowa State and major in Animal Science or Ag Engineering. In ten years, he sees himself around the Keota area and owning his own house with a steady career. He believes his leadership, responsibility, and good work ethic will help him reach his goals.

Looking back at Junior High, Kolton's favorite memory was words that describe Kolton are fun,

ory was going to the Wisconsin "cruisin' around with friends." His favorite high school memories were "T.P.-ing" with his class his junior year and doing the Glow Show Redemption at Lip Sync.

> Once he graduates from KHS, Kolton will miss seeing all his classmates every day and the sports. His favorite class has been Senior Ag Mechanics because "I like working on my project and furthering my hockey skills."

> Classmate Justin Hultman said, "My pal Kolton is a good leader and can get people motivated." Although Kolton has fun in school, his biggest pet peeves are when people are messy or disrespectful. Another classmate Cara Hahn said, "He is a strong leader for our school, a good role model, and he's a good friend."

> Kolton's hobbies include showing livestock and golfing. Three

## **KHS SPEECH KICKS OFF**



### **TOP NEWS OF 2013**

**By: Desi Hesseltine** 

persevering, and hard-working.

Kolton wants to be remembered

as a good role model when he

graduates. Three things he wants

to accomplish are wealth, have a

His advice to give his fellow peers

at KHS is: "Enjoy high school - it's

family, and have a job he enjoys.

not that hard."

Students and teachers were asked what they thought the most important news of 2013 was. Following are their responses:

*Mr. Bouska:* The Government shutdown, because the Republican party gained momentum when Obama started having problems with the Health Care Act, but they lost a lot of their momentum when the Republicans were largely blamed for the shutdown.

*Mr. Snakenberg:* The gas attack on Syria, because it pushed the U.S really close to military intervention. Obama had pledged U.S would intervene if prescribed weapons were introduced. There were three options: 1) Just missile attack at air strikes, 2) Send armed rebels in, 3) Send soldiers in. Fortunately, a 4th option came into play and Russia convinced Syria to let the United Nations go in and destroy the prescribed weapons.

Mrs. Baker: The school shootings were most attention grabbing, because it really gets you thinking about how things can take a turn for the worst in a blink of an eye.

Hannah Reed: The birth of North West because everyone made a big deal about nothing; but it was still a widely known topic.

Desi Hesseltine: The Boston Marathon bombing because Mr. Snakenberg had it playing every minute until the bombers were caught.

Emily Baetsle: Getting the new Pope because he's been interacting with people everywhere.

In all, everyone enjoyed the campaigning and especially enjoyed doing the attack ads.

KHS Speech Students, from back to front, left to right, include: (freshmen) Elise Swanstrom, Bianca Cardona, Erin Chalupa, Cole Stout, Jace Uphold, Row 2: (sophomores) Nate Sieren, Ryan Chalupa, Tyler Verstraete, Zach Mousel, Isaiah Hahn, Paden Uphold, Megan Hill. Row 3: (sophomores) Alyssa White, Bekah Fagen, Mariah Lyle, Grace Shemanski, Cortney Hyman, Abby Schulte. Row 4: (juniors) Callie Greiner, Sierra Lyle, Hannah Reed, Sloan Ott, Grant Hill, Maggie Baker. Row 5: (juniors) Maitland Sieren, Miranda Romoser, Madison Sieren, Bree Reed, Madison Sheetz, Brooke Sieren. Front Row: (seniors) Luke Lyle, Kolton Greiner, Cara Hahn, Mallory Ladehoff, Kelsi Sieren, and Emily Baetsle.

**By Emily Baetsle** On Tues., Jan. 21, 2014, KHS speech students will be kicking off their season with home presentations. Then on Sat., Jan. 25, they will be heading to Wapello, lowa for districts.

The Choral Reading group will be presenting "Noah's Ark." The 10th graders are Abby Schulte, Bekah Fagen, Cortney Hyman, Grace Shemanski, Mariah Lyle, Ryan Chalupa, and Tyler Verstraete. The juniors are Bree Reed,

Grant Hill, and Maggie Baker. Seniors are Cara Hahn, Luke Lyle, Kelsi Sieren, Kolton Greiner, and Mallory Ladehoff. The One Act Play will be presenting "Clara's On the Curtains." The lone 9th grader is Bianca Cardona. She is joined by 10th graders Alyssa White and Megan Hill. 11th graders are Brooke Sieren, Hannah Reed, Madison Sheetz, Madison Sieren, and Miranda Romoser. Emily Baetsle is representing the seniors.

There will be three Ensemble Acts this year. The first group will be presenting "Night Mother" and consists of juniors Callie Greiner and Sierra Lyle. The next group will be presenting "Scooter Thomas" and includes the juniors Sloan Ott and Grant Hill. Finally, the 9th graders will be presenting "The Secret Origin of the Mojo Man." They are Jace Uphold, Cole Stout, and Erin Chalupa.

The Readers Theatre will be pre-

senting "How Angel Peterson Got His Name." This group consists of five sophomores: Isaiah Hahn, Paden Uphold, Nate Sieren, Tyler Verstraete, and Zach Mousel.

There are three Improv Groups: Sloan Ott (11th) and Bianca Cardona (9th) will be performing together. Then juniors Sierra Lyle and Callie Greiner will take the stage. Finally, the Freshman Improv group will include Erin Chalupa, Cole Stout, and Elise Swanstrom.

**KHS HOSTS MINI DANCE** CAMP

#### **By Maggie Baker**

This year the Keota Dance Team has added a new event to their schedule: Mini Dance Team. Mini Dance Team is open to girls in Kindergarten through 6th Grade. All the girls will dance to the same song; however, the girls will practice in two separate groups. Mini dancers will be performing to Katy Perry's "Roar." Practices are January 12 and 19 with girls in Kindergarten through 2nd grade from 5:00 to 5:30 and 3rd through 6th graders from 5:30 to 6:00. Performance times are January 24 at the Homecoming Pep Rally (beginning at 2:00 p.m.) and during halftime of the girl's game that night. Please come support these girls as they help dance in a Homecoming victory for the Eagles!

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Both Jr. and Sr. High Bands, conducted by Jane Edwards.



Jr. High Chorus, led by Jane Edwards.



High School Chorus, led by Jane Edwards.



Jr. High School Band, conducted by Jane Edwards.



Combined Jr. and Sr. High School Chorus, conducted by Jane Edwards and accompanied by Jeanene Redlinger.



High School Band, with conductor Jane Edwards joining in on the fun.



