

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



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Getting to know Mr. Ortiz



By Erin Chalupa

Robert Ortiz is a new face to KHS this year! This new Ag teacher was born and raised in a small town in northern California. He received his college education from Colorado State University. His past job as an Ag teacher was in Durango, Colorado. Mr. Ortiz was inspired to be an Ag teacher by his own Ag teacher, because he liked the way he taught. Mr. Ortiz was also the president of his FFA chapter in both his junior and senior years.

This year Mr. Ortiz has already accomplished a lot, but he also has a lot of goals. So far, he has started a middle school FFA, which will be participating in a lot if their own opportunities. He has also worked with the students to clean up and organize the shop. "I want to get these kids a bunch of new equipment so they can learn with the new and upgraded versions," said

He also plans to continue the good things that the Keota FFA chapter has started, as well as increase the welding program. He said that he likes the friendly community and school spirit of this small town. He is proud to be an extravert!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Nov. 8: 8th grade Career Day at Indian Hills Community College **College Reps for November:** Nov. 1: William Penn University Nov. 6: DMACC Nov. 13: Central College Nov. 20: UNI & LaJames

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2013-14 **EAGLE'S WING**

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Kayla is ready to pursue her dreams



By Maitland Sieren

Kayla Elizabeth Baker was introduced to the world on May 31, 1996. She is the daughter of Connie Baker and Doug Baker. She has three siblings: Stephanie, Andrew, and Maci. Kayla's favorite activity as a kid was playing cards with her family. She

admires how close her family is. "We are there for each other, especially my sister, Stephanie.

During her years of high school, Kayla has been involved in Drama, Show Choir, Basketball Cheerleading, National Honor Society, and Y.E.L.L. She is very proud of her accomplishments, especially being on Honor Roll and National Honor Society.

Out of all of the activities she has been involved in, Y.E.L.L. is her favorite, because, "It has a good meaning behind it and I am

very passionate about it." When she was a young child, Kayla saw herself growing up to be a veterinarian. But as she has grown up, her plans have changed to going to the University of Iowa to major

Photo courtesy of Kayla Swartzendruber, Y.E.L.L. sponsor

They are sponsored by Nicole

Lenius and Kayla Swartzendruber,

This week, Y.E.L.L. members cel-

ebrated Red Ribbon Week by hang-

ing ribbons on trees and holding a

door decorating contest, which will

If you attend Keota High School,

don't forget to check out the Stall

Street Journals. They usually in-

clude hints about upcoming activi-

Photo courtesy of Tomisha Sprouse, Keota Eagle

The 2013 8th grade volleyball team included

(left to right): Olivia Sieren, Kylie Beinhart, Grace

McHugh, Lexi Black and Wynonna Morris. Both

The eighth graders included Olivia

Sieren, Kylie Beinhart, Grace McHugh,

Lexi Black, and Wynonna Morris. They

went 3-6 this year. McHugh said,

"Even though we lost a lot, we still

had each other's backs like sisters.

There were a couple of games there

that we almost had!" Both teams were

coached by Molly Sprouse.

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both teachers at KHS.

be judged by Mr. Seid.

Members of Y.E.L.L. (Youth Effectively Living Life) are pictured hanging red ribbons on

the trees around the school for Red Ribbon Week. From left to right, they are: (back) Kylea

Tinnes, Desi Hesseltine, Elise Swanstrom, Brittany Baumert; (front) Bianca Cardona, Kayla

JH VOLLEYBALL

Baker, Bryanna Hammes, and Sierra Ott.

Y.E.L.L. (Youth Effectively Living

Life) is a group of teenagers that

attend Keota High school that are

against alcohol, drugs, bullying,

etc. They are a positive group of

people that care for the commu-

The group members include

Kayla Baker, Brittany Baumert,

Desi Hesseltine, Bryanna Hammes,

Grant Hill, Elise Swanstrom, Kylea

Tinnes, Jason Ree, and Sierra Ott.

Photo courtesy of Tomisha Sprouse, Keota Eagle

The 2013 7th grade volleyball team consisted

of (left to right): Bergen Dalton, Addison Sprouse,

Brianna Duwa, Jillian Schulte, Frankie Johnson,

and Jolie Altenhofen. Not pictured: Patynn

The Jr. High volleyball season is over,

but they had some great games. The

seventh graders were Bergen Dalton,

Addison Sprouse, Brianna Duwa,

Jillian Schulte, Frankie Johnson, Jolie

Altenhofen, and Patynn Gingerich.

They had a winning season, with a

By Bianca Cardona

nity and their peers.

in Psychology. Ten years from now, Kayla sees herself living in Iowa with a family and a high paying job. Qualities that will get her there will be to work hard and continue to pursue her dreams.

A favorite childhood memory she will never forget is getting her dog, Scrappy. Kayla will miss the people and all of her friends when she graduates from high school. Out of the many classes Kayla has taken, she enjoyed Psychology the most because it was fun and she liked the teacher.

Although she is a hard worker, her worst habit is being a procrastinator. At home and work she has to do the chores, waitress, and cook. From these responsibilities, Kayla has learned how to manage her time.

In her free time, she enjoys reading and cooking. She believes the best three words to describe herself are: hard-working, outgoing, and spontaneous. She wants to be remembered as a dedicated student and a good

In her lifetime, three things Kayla hopes to accomplish are to have a good job she enjoys, have a family, and be happy. To future KHS seniors, Kayla says, "Have fun and enjoy everything you can!"

We wish Kayla the best of luck as she finishes her senior year at KHS.



Just a little friendly competition at KHS...



Pictured are the winners of the volleyball tournament held on Fri., Oct. 25. From left to right, they are: (back) Bryanna Hammes, Mallory Ladehoff, Luke Lyle, Kolton Greiner, Justin Hultman, Kelsi Sieren, Cara Hahn; (front) Katrina Weber, Kayla Baker, Emily Baetsle, Brittany Baumert, and Shannon Kelley.

By Emily Baetsle

On Fri., Oct. 25, the students had a team building exercise during their 9th hour Eagle Advisory class, where they played volleyball against each other. The varsity volleyball players were the coaches for each team, and the teachers came out dressed up in 80's outfits to join in the friendly competition.

First up were the 7th vs. 8th graders, with the 8th grade winning the match. Then the teachers took on the 8th grade, and though it was a close competition, the 8th grade once again took the victory.

Next up, the freshmen met the sophomores, with the sophomores coming out on top. Following them, the juniors took on the seniors, and the seniors came away with the win.

Finally, it was down to the championship round, with the 8th grade taking on the seniors. It was a nailbiter, but the seniors pulled it out at the end for the championship.

Just for fun, the teachers decided to take on the seniors to cap off the tournament. Despite a valiant effort, the teachers were unable to secure a victory against the seniors.

Kelsi Sieren, senior, said the best moment of the tournament was "watching the teachers play." Brittany Baumert, senior, said her favorite part was "when the seniors won, because we are awesome." Elise Swanstrom, freshman, said the funniest part of the tournament was "watching Mr. Seid and the wig he was wearing."

We've got spirit, yes we do! We've got spirit, how 'bout you?



Photo by Erin Chalupa The Cross Country team shows off their camo attire in support of the volleyball team. Pictured are Ryan Chalupa, Mallory Ladehoff, Madison Sieren, Sierra Lyle, Mariah Lyle, and Bree Reed.

By Erin Chalupa

Keota students are bringing school spirit back! If you haven't noticed the kids dressed up in a different theme at every home and some away volleyball games, you need to come see! In the picture above left, it was camo



Erin Chalupa, Mallory Woltering, Bekah Fagen, Raigan Sprouse, Elise Swanstrom, and Kaylin Swanson are all dressed up for the district volley-

night in Keota. At the district game in Sigourney, a couple of the freshmen and a sophomore dressed up to support the team (pictured above right).

ball game in Sigourney.

Hopefully this school spirit continues to support our teams this basketball season. Go Eagles!

STAFF **SPOTLIGHT**

Library News from Mrs. Bell



By Brittney Weber

We all know the wonderful lady, Mrs. Bell. She keeps our library nice and organized, and helps supply the books we need. Mrs. Bell has been the Library Associate for pre-school through high school for the past 20 years.

Mrs. Bell describes her experience at Keota Schools as excellent. She stated, "I feel like we have such supportive families, which makes for good students."

Mrs. Bell would like to make everyone aware of the book fair taking place Oct. 30 through Nov. 6th in the elementary. She urges students to check books out and read, and to leave her notes if any student would like to request any book.

Mrs. Bell says she loves working with the students and encourages everyone to "Keep on Reading."

Thank you, Mrs. Bell, for all you do for Keota Schools to keep us reading!

JUNK OR JEWEL

Bree's Truckin' Taurus



By Sierra Lyle

Being featured in this week's Junk or Jewel is Bree Reed's roaring '07 Ford Taurus SE. She got it over the summer for a simple \$5,000, and its top speed is a whopping 120 mph. Bree says this Taurus works for

her life because it gets her where she needs to be. While she adores her car, her dream vehicle would have to be a Jeep.

Bree's best memory in her car was "chucking apples at Hahn with the gang." Her worst memory would have to be when the muffler fell off. Final words Bree said about her baby were, "It is one boss hog."

This one is for you to decide. Is it a Junk or a Jewel?

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Who is your celebrity crush and why? *By Sierra Lyle*

record of 6-3.

Gingerich.

By Sierra Lyle



Mrs. Baker, Teacher Harrison Ford, because he roped ny heart in Indiana



Mallory Ladehoff, 12th Johnny Depp, because he is a good actor and good-looking



Maitland Sieren, 11th Johnny Knoxville, oecause he has a killer



Alyssa White, 10th Bam Margera, because he floats my boat.



Cole Stout, 9th Selena Gomez, because she has

Bieber Fever.



Jacob Moeller, 8th Megan Fox, because she is a fox.



7th Channing Tatum, because he is a stellar actor and

Bergen Dalton,