



# THE EAGLE'S WING

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## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: PADEN UPHOLD

### KEOTA GETS A NEW SIGN

BY AVERY CONRAD



Thanks to the Washington County Riverboat Foundation, the Keota Community School has acquired a new sign that welcomes people to the school. Announcements can now be added to the sign electronically, eliminating the need for someone to manually place letters on the sign each week. This has been a great addition to the school grounds.



BY KYLEA TINNES

Paden Hunter Uphold was born March 17, 1997. Paden's parents are Lisa and Jamie Uphold. Paden was asked what he admires the most about his parents and he replied, "their faith and work ethic." Paden has three siblings: Cody, Haley, and Jace. Paden's favorite family vacation is going to Virginia Beach. His favorite childhood memory is going to Lake Lacy with his cousins.

Growing up, Paden always dreamed of becoming a cow-

boy, because he loved watching Westerns. Now as a Senior, Paden is planning to go to Iowa State for Electrical Engineering, because he loves math and science. In ten years, Paden sees himself "Living in the country, working as an engineer." Three things he wants to accomplish in his lifetime are being debt free, getting a college degree, and having a happy family. Paden believes his work ethic is his main quality that will help him reach his

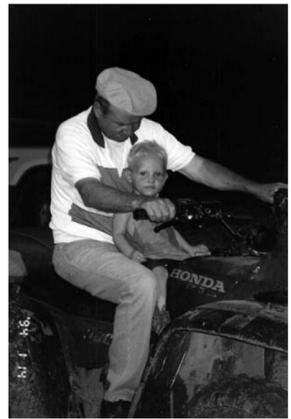
goals. Paden works at Vision Ag; he drives trucks and works in the shop. Through this work experience, Paden has learned different skills in the shop and how to drive a straight bed truck. Paden enjoys camping, riding four-wheelers, and playing sports, because he can be outside with friends. When asked how he would describe himself, Paden responded, "A hard-working Christian."

Throughout his high school career, Paden has been involved in track, golf, drama, speech, football, and basketball. His favorite activities are speech and basketball, because he has made many great memories throughout the years. Paden got the Hustler award in basketball this year. His favorite high school memory is, "When we went to State basketball tournaments and All State Speech." Many of his favorite moments at Keota have consisted of staying in hotels for school trips and getting to know people.

When he graduates, Paden is going to miss all of the friends

he has made throughout the years here at KHS. When he graduates, he hopes to be remembered as a nice and smart guy with good work ethics. Avery Conrad said he'll miss Paden picking on him all the time, and all the good times in basketball. Paden leaves some words of advice for the future KHS seniors by saying, "work hard to do your best."

We wish Paden the best of luck for his future at Iowa State!



### BLAST FROM THE PAST

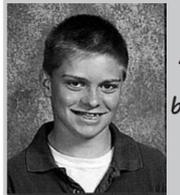
BY GLORIA VEGA

#### HOW WILL SENIORS RESPOND THE SECOND TIME AROUND?

Each week, we ask a Senior the same question they were asked for the Question of the Week when they were in 7th grade. Let's see how their responses have changed over the years...

#### Ryan Chalupa

Q: What is your favorite event during Homecoming Week?



7th: Answer: "The basketball game."



12th: Answer: "Tea-peeing."

### KHS BOYS BASKETBALL AWARDS NIGHT

BY COLE STOUT

The Keota Boys Basketball team had their awards banquet recently. The Varsity Team won the SICL East Division Championship this year, and their final record was 17 and 7.

The Most Valuable Player award went to Zach Mousel. The Hustler award went to Paden Uphold. The Most Improved Player went to Tyler Verstraete. The Newcomer award went to Hunter Wilson.

It was a great season, and the seniors will be greatly missed next year. We look forward to watching the returning players play next year.

## SOCIOLOGY PRESENTS AT STUDENT VOICES MATTER RALLY

ARTICLE BY KYLEA TINNES, CAPTIONS BY BAYLEI MCCLELLAND



Pictured are Abby Schulte, Megan Adam, Governor Branstad, Kylea Tinnes, and Sociology teacher, Schuyler Snakenberg at the capital building.

The Sociology girls are back at it! On Tuesday, April 5, Megan, Abby, and Kylea went to Des Moines to present their story at the Students Voices Matter Rally. They were invited by Ian Coon, the co-founder of the Iowa Student Learning Institute. After the girls presented, many people walked up to them, telling them how inspiring their story is. Shortly after they presented their story,



Pictured are Abby Schulte, Megan Adam, and Kylea Tinnes taking a picture with Herkey.

they went to the State Capitol and talked with many people, such as State Representative Timi Brown Powers, Governor Branstad, State Representative Jarad Klein, Senator Kevin Kinney, and many more. The girls agreed that this was an amazing experience. They also got the chance to take many pictures. When Mr. Snakenberg, their Sociology teacher, was asked how he felt about the day, he responded,



Pictured are Kylea Tinnes, Abby Schulte, and Megan Adam with State Representatives Timi Brown Powers and Jarad Klein.

"It was a remarkable experience to see many students come together about the difficulties of education. It gives me hope. I'm also proud of our students for what they've done."

Abby Schulte commented, "It was a really fun day! I'm so glad that we could share the message that every single person has a voice - even people from a really small town."



Pictured are Kylea Tinnes, Megan Adam, and Abby Schulte at the Student Voices Matter Rally.



Pictured are Abby Schulte, Megan Adam, and Kylea Tinnes.

### KHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY JACE UPHOLD

This week's Athlete of the Week is Elise Swanstrom. This season Elise is looking forward to improving her golf game. Elise's ultimate goal for the season would be to not do horrible at every meet.

Elise says that her motto is "Practice Swing." Elise's favorite part about this sport is practicing with Grace every day.

When asked about any funny moments, Elise said "Last year I rolled my wheels down a hill, and I also got a second degree sunburn last year at regionals."

We look forward to watching Elise conquer the golf course this season.



### SCHOOL COUNTDOWNS

6 WEEKS 'TIL SCHOOL IS OUT  
29 SCHOOL DAYS LEFT  
10 DAYS 'TIL PROM

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## GOLF MEETS ARE IN FULL SWING

BY ELISE SWANSTROM



Avery Conrad is practicing his backswing at the meet on Tuesday, April 12.



Cole Stout is chipping the ball on the green at Lagos Acres Golf Course in Keota.



Riley Conrad hits his ball before winning the meet against Montezuma.



Frankie Johnson is keeping warm while golfing.



Grace Shemanski is focusing while putting. She placed first in the meet.



Elise Swanstrom follows through while golfing against Montezuma.

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY GLORIA VEGA

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST ABOUT PROM?

<p><u>MS. BRIES</u> STAFF</p> <p>"LOOKING AT ALL THE DRESSES"</p>	<p><u>DYLAN BURGDORF</u> 12<sup>TH</sup></p> <p>"GRAND MARCH"</p>	<p><u>MALLORY WOLTERING</u> 11<sup>TH</sup></p> <p>"JUST TO EXPERIENCE PROM FOR THE FIRST TIME"</p>	<p><u>CAROLINE REEVES</u> 10<sup>TH</sup></p> <p>"GETTING CRAZY ON THE DANCE FLOOR"</p>	<p><u>LAUREN IMHOFF</u> 9<sup>TH</sup></p> <p>"TO SEE FRIENDS IN MY CLASS"</p>	<p><u>JEREMIAH JOHNSON</u> 8<sup>TH</sup></p> <p>"HANGING WITH MY FRIENDS"</p>	<p><u>PAIGE MINARD</u> 7<sup>TH</sup></p> <p>"GRAND MARCH"</p>
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