



THE EAGLE'S WING



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HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

BY FRANKIE JOHNSON

Homecoming week is right around the corner beginning January 22! The Student Council has planned many unique dress up days this year, including: Career/Occupation day on Monday, Meme day on Tuesday, Multiplicity/ Look Alike day Wednesday, Senior Citizen day Thursday, followed with Spirit day on Friday! A prize will be awarded each day to the best high school and best junior high costume. Other fun activities for the week include Anything Goes during the day on Thursday, an FFA-sponsored door-decorating contest, and a pep rally Friday afternoon. The game will be on Friday night starting at 6:00 against Iowa Valley, with the theme being Tame the Tigers. Don't forget to come early and eat at the After Prom taco bar fundraiser from 4:30 to 6:30! The meal includes two tacos, chips, a cookie, and lemonade! Following the game will be the annual Homecoming dance held in the Jr. High Gym until midnight. The dance is for grades 9-12 and admission is \$3.00 per student. Hope everyone has a chance to show their school spirit!

JUNK OR JEWEL

BY KENDALL WILSON



This week's Junk or Jewel is Aaliyah Heldman with her 2003 Mazda Protege. Her Mazda has 104,000 miles on it. She travels to school and County Line Mart the most with the car. She was passed down this car from Isaac Altenhofen and started driving it last September. Her car's specialties include breaking down at stop signs and collecting water in the cup holders. Her favorite thing about her car is that it is blue. Aaliyah says that five people can fit in her car, and its top speed is "maybe 100." She has had some bad memories with her car. It has broken down, the door handle fell off, and it was held together by duct tape at one point. The person who travels with Aaliyah the most in her car is Addie Swanson, and they listen to 99.7, 96.5, 102.9, and 98.1. Now you can decide, is Aaliyah's Mazda junk or a jewel?

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LUKE IS LIVING AND LOVING HIS SENIOR YEAR



BY GRACE MCHUGH

Luke Joseph Greiner, or coined "Lukey G" by his friends, was born on November 26, 1999. He is the baby of the family. His parents are Amos and Paula Greiner.

In Luke's younger years he wanted to be a police officer, and his favorite childhood memory is playing hide and seek with his older sister Callie (who is Keota alumni)

and family friends. Luke says he's proud of many of the accomplishments he's made at KHS.

Luke has been heavily involved in KHS extra curriculums. He has done football, basketball, track, FFA, 4-H, Student Council, Speech, and at one-time golf and baseball. He said his favorite was football. "I've learned a lot of

life lessons and I got to spend time with my bros," he said.

Luke plans to attend Iowa State University and major in Ag Engineering. After ISU (where his sister Callie also goes), he hopes to be married with a family and working as an engineer. Luke is an extremely focused individual and is motivated to achieve his goals for his future.

With his focus and motivation fueling him, he can't wait to see what the future holds. However, Luke claims procrastination is one of his worst habits. Luke says his favorite class at KHS was welding because, "we learned a lot, had a break room, and always had snacks, courtesy of Isaiah Hahn."

Luke will miss all his good times at KHS, but what he will miss the most is all the support the students got from the entire community. He hopes to be remembered at

KHS as a friendly face, and as a focused person that wants to achieve his goals, but also as a people person. Fellow classmates Marty Baker and Dakota Slaughter describe Luke as "super nice, friendly, and hardworking." What is Luke's advice for the upcoming class of 2019? "Enjoy the time you have, because it goes fast."

We wish Luke the best and we know he will achieve anything and everything he sets his mind to!



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY JOLEE WALKER



This week's Athlete of the Week is sophomore Addison Swanson. This season, Addie is playing high school girls

basketball. Addie is usually stationed at the post, but sometimes "steps up and hits the 3's," she said this year she is looking forward to playing with Paige Thompson, an addition to their team this year, and maybe winning a few more games. Addie said she is trying to improve on her three pointers most this season. Her ultimate achievement is to win more than one game this season. When I asked Addie what she likes most about this sport she replied, "I like playing with the girls I play with because we are such a close group of people." Addie's "motto" is from her coach, Jeff Sprouse, who often says, "Are you telling the truth Clark?" When I asked Addie if there were any funny moments that had occurred so far this season, she replied, "When I threw my practice jersey at the hoop to try and make a basket and Bailey and Brianna tried a cheerleader stunt to try and get the jersey down and Bailey rolled her ankle." So far this season, Addie is enjoying playing basketball and is looking forward for another season to come.

It was a pleasure interviewing Addie Swanson.

KEOTA GIRLS WIN IN A SEASON THRILLER

BY ADDISON SPROUSE

There's a New Year and along with the New Year has come a new Keota Girls Basketball Team.

The Varsity girls won their first game of the season in a total thriller when the Eagles took on the Tigerhawks of Colfax Mingo on Friday, Jan. 5.

The Eagles led almost the entire game except one time

in the third quarter after the Tigerhawks gained momentum and made a few shots, but the Eagles didn't quit.

Keota's offense was on fire Friday night and their defense was stellar, holding the Tigerhawks' best offensive threat to only two baskets the entire game.

The Eagles' hit several crucial

baskets to maintain their lead in the fourth quarter and defeated the Tigerhawks of Colfax Mingo.

The girls' win on Jan. 5th was their first win in two years, and Coach Jeff Sprouse is hoping to keep the momentum rolling throughout the last half of the season.

The Varsity and JV teams

then played Louisa Muscatine Saturday, Jan. 6 and lost two close games. The Eagles hope to notch a couple more wins to finish off the month of January. They take on HLV on Tuesday, Jan. 9, BGM on Friday, Jan. 12, Sigourney on Tuesday, Jan. 16, and Tri-County on Friday, Jan. 19. Congratulations to the girls on the exciting win.

JH GIRLS BASKETBALL

BY RILEY CONRAD



Pictured above are the 2017-2018 Keota Junior High Girls basketball players. They are: (Front row) Nicole Clarahan, Taylor Garman, Macie McDonald. (Back row) Flora Wilcox, Dulaney Clubb, Taylor Kindred, and Makenzie Jackson.

CHEERLEADERS

BY WYNONNA MORRIS



Pictured above are the 2017-2018 Keota Basketball Cheerleaders. They are: (Front row) Aaliyah Heldman, Ana Ackerman-Axume, and June Daing. (Back row) Taylor Conrad, Lexi Black, Kendall Wilson, Lauren Imhoff, and Jolee Walker.

The cheerleaders do a great job of pumping up all the Keota Eagle fans during basketball games and at school assemblies, Homecoming, and pep rallies.

STUDENT SURVEY

BY BEN SHEMANSKI

What's Your Favorite Christmas Song?



- Rudolf the Rednosed Reindeer 7
- All I Want For Christmas 15
- Joy to the World 8
- Frosty the Snowman 5
- Grandma got Ran Over by a Reindeer 27
- Jingle Bell 16
- Santas Coming to Town 1
- Blue Christmas 5
- A Holly Jolly Christmas 7

MYSTERY STUDENT OF THE WEEK

BY KYLIE BEINHART



This week's mystery student is a junior this year. She has been at Keota since she was in preschool. She has a younger brother that towers over her. Throughout her years at Keota she has been involved in softball, basketball, volleyball, golf, track, dance team, dance, show choir, band, basketball cheerleading, 4H, and FFA.

If you think you know who the mystery student is, head to Mrs. Conrad's room for a prize!

BLAST FROM THE PAST

BY JONNY FLANEGAN

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...

Luke Greiner

Q: If I wanted to buy you, how much would you cost and why?

7th:

A: "I'm worth millions because I'm awesome and I know people"



12th: "I do not condone placing monetary value on human life."

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY ANNA DUWA

WHAT ARE YOU MOST EXCITED FOR IN 2018?

MR. JACOBSEN STAFF



"WATCHING MY DAUGHTER AND STUDENTS CONTINUE TO GROW."

ANA ACKERMAN 12TH



"I CAN'T WAIT TO GO TO EL SALVADOR."

JUSTIN MOELLER 11TH



"SUMMER."

CLAIRE JEAGER 10TH



"SUMMER, NO QUESTION."

AVERIY ACKERMAN 9TH



"PROBABLY THE NEW EXPERIENCES."

COLTON RAUCH 8TH



"I DON'T KNOW, MY BIRTHDAY!"

AIDEN CONRAD 7TH



"SUMMER ACTIVITIES, ESPECIALLY CAMPING AND BOATING."