



THE EAGLE'S WING



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SENIOR SHOP PROJECTS

BY JONNY FLANEGAN

Mrs. Amelon's Senior Shop class has seven people in it. Currently they are working on their senior Ag projects. Ben Shemanski built a nice chair with a cup holder. Logan Sieren built a sturdy workbench. Alex Heisdorfer made a 49ers sign. Jacob Moeller is building a large wooden shelf. Luke Greiner is building a sturdy bar. Jack Eakins made a pair of metal saw horses. Jonny Flanagan made a fence and two hay feeders for his boss. Logan Sieren says he likes this class because "I get to build whatever I want." This class is definitely one of the favorites among seniors. I would recommend taking it. If you like building, you should consider taking this class when you are a senior.

SCHOOL COUNTDOWNS

DAYS TO SUMMER

28

DAYS TO GRADUATION

25

SCHOOL DAYS LEFT

20

DAYS TO PROM

3

JUNK OR JEWEL

BY BEN SHEMANSKI



This week on Junk or Jewel is Turner Klein's 2007 Cadillac DTS. This car has a 5.0L V8 with 100,100 miles on it. This car has a gold exterior with a tan leather interior. His radio presets go as follows: 101.9, 97.7, 99.7, and 102.9. The previous owner of this car was Brandon Imhoff. He paid \$2000 plus a trade in. His car has some specialties, like a sunroof, an aux cord, and good speakers. What Turner likes about his car is that it is "the pinnacle of luxury," he says. Turner can fit six people in his car and it has a top speed of 111 miles per hour. One good memory Turner has in his car is beating Alex Heisdorfer's car in a race. Turner says he has no bad memories in his car because it is perfect. Turner travels the most to Washington and travels mostly with "his boys." Turner has taken one road trip in his car. He went to Milwaukee with his dad to see the Milwaukee Bucks vs. Portland Trail Blazers NBA game. Now it is your turn to decide if Turner's car is Junk or a Jewel.

JOHNATHAN'S JOINING THE ARMED FORCES



BY ANNA DUWA

Johnathan Michael Holderness, a.k.a. John, was born on Feb. 2, 2000. He is the son of Christine Holderness and Terry Dunning. John has two siblings: Jarrod Keller and Jasmine Holderness. His favorite family memory was when he took a trip to his aunt's home. One thing Johnathan admires about his parents is the fact that his stepdad has been "Basically everywhere in the U.S." Out of all his accomplishments, Johnathan feels passing his classes is the biggest.

Throughout his time at Keota High School, he has participated in Yearbook, which consequently means that it is his favorite.

When Johnathan was younger, he didn't really have a dream job, but at this point, he plans to join the National Guard and participate in Boot Camp and AIT Training a few months after he graduates. He chose to do this because it sounded like a good idea, and so that he could help the country with his service. When asked

where he would see himself in about ten years, he responded with, "Probably still in Iowa and serving in the National Guard." He says that determination and perseverance will see him through. Through his lifetime, Johnathan hopes to complete many things, including going to Paris and being able to sky-dive.

Johnathan's favorite high school memory is "The final school bell of the day. It always made me happy that we were then able to go home." Johnathan will miss the anticipation for Christmas break the most from his high school years. The class he most enjoyed at KHS was P.E. "I love it because we do something almost every day. It never really gets boring," he says. Johnathan states that FCS prepared him the most for life because "It teaches you how to live on your own and with a family." Johnathan describes himself as talkative, energetic,

and artistic. Many people will remember Johnathan as a jumpy guy, but also a good person. Jolee Walker says she will remember that "He always made bad jokes."

Johnathan works hard at home by washing dishes and taking care of the animals. From his responsibilities at home, Johnathan has learned how to live on his own. In his free time, Johnathan loves to draw, play music, talk his classmate's ears off, and many other activities. His advice for future seniors of KHS is "Graduate and enjoy life."

We hope that Johnathan does well in the National Guard and we wish him the best of luck in his future.



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY RILEY CONRAD



This week's Athlete of the Week is Matthew Hyman. He is participating in a sport that has not been

in Keota for a very long time. Matthew, along with a few other students, are participating in Sigourney-Keota Trapshooting. They have practices a few days out of the week and they have multiple meets throughout the spring. Matthew told me that he is looking forward to all of the meets this year and he hopes to improve his skillset by hitting more clays each meet. Matthew enjoys the laid back atmosphere of trapshooting and likes being able to compete with his friends. Some of the funny moments that happen at practice are when the coach roasts the rest of the team members. His favorite motto for trap shooting is "shoot the gun," from Earl Dibbles Jr. Matthew said that his ultimate achievement for this year would be for him and the rest of the team to make it to State and compete for the title. Congratulations to Matthew Hyman for being named KHS Athlete of the Week, and good luck for the rest of the season.

EAGLEROCK! HEADS TO WARM WEATHER FOR SPRING BREAK

BY JOLEE WALKER

Keota's show choir group Eaglerock! Took a trip to Florida this year for their yearly group trip. The group left on Tuesday, March 27 at 2 a.m. from Keota High School. They rode the school bus to Des Moines International Airport where they flew to St. Louis, Missouri to get on another flight headed to Orlando, Florida. The plane landed in Orlando at 1:30 that afternoon. This was many students' first time flying in an airplane. From there, the group traveled to Cocoa Beach, Florida, where they spent the rest of the day at the beach enjoying their time in the sun and the warm weather. There were also many shops and restaurants at the beach that the Eaglerock! members were able to visit. They left the beach at 6 p.m. to head back to the hotel in Orlando. The group stayed in a fancy Holiday Inn, sharing three suites all together.

On day two of the trip, the students spent the whole day at Universal Studios,



Pictured above are the Eaglerock! members before their performance on Wednesday, March 28.

Orlando. They arrived at the gates at 8:30 a.m. and spent the day there, where they were free to roam about the park. Some of the favorite rides from the members this year were the Harry Potter ride, the Transformers ride, the Rocket, and the Dr. Doom rollercoasters. At 1 p.m. the group performed in the center of Universal Studios in front of anyone that wished to watch. They said it was a very energetic and fun performance, despite it being close to 90 degrees and the glue on their shoes melting all over

the stage. They ate all of their meals at the park that day, and could choose when they would like to head back to the hotel for the night. The students had a lot of fun spending time with their friends and doing whatever they wanted all day. On Wednesday night there was also a Mardi Gras parade through the park that the members could watch if they chose to. Some students went back to the hotel at night to swim in the hotel's outdoor swimming pool.

On Thursday, Eaglerock! visited SeaWorld Orlando.

They split up into groups of their choice and could do whatever they wanted to all day. There were many things to do at SeaWorld, including various animal exhibits, rollercoasters and water rides, and many places to relax and eat. There were also live sea lions, killer whales, dolphins, and Pets Ahoy shows available to watch. The Eaglerock! members spent a total of 12 hours at SeaWorld on Thursday.

Friday was the group's last day in Florida, as they would be departing from the airport at 7:30 p.m. For the majority of the day, they got another opportunity to ride more rides at Universal Studios. Although they were exhausted, they made sure to get the most out of their last day. They rode many rides and made sure to purchase souvenirs before they left. They flew back home and arrived at Keota High School at 2 a.m.

This year's chaperones were Dave Shemanski, Suzanne Black, and Jill McNurlen. The group is directed by Jane Edwards.

KEOTA SENIOR MARTY BAKER SIGNS WITH IOWA CENTRAL

BY LUKE GREINER



Marty Baker (center) signs the official paperwork to be on the Iowa Central Rodeo team next year. Marty is pictured with his mom (left), dad (back) and sister (right), who were all there to cheer him on.

Marty Baker has signed with Iowa Central Community College to Rodeo. He will be rodeoing under coach Bridget Lambright. He will train alongside roughly 30 other teammates.

Marty has been rodeoing since he was five years old. Throughout this time he has had a very successful career. He has always been well supported by his family and friends. His father, Rich Baker, has even been his sole rodeo coach up to this point in his career.

Marty said he is looking

forward to college rodeoing because he believes it will give him a new perspective on rodeo technique. Ultimately, Marty said, "It is a dream to compete professionally someday."

Marty will be competing individually and as a team throughout his college career. He has worked very hard to get the point he is at today. He will receive a half tuition scholarship from Iowa Central for his commitment.

We wish Marty the best of luck as he furthers his rodeoing career.

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR BAND

BY ADDISON SPROUSE

On Jan. 7, the lone French Horn player at Keota, Jarrod Keller, auditioned for a French horn position in the SEIBA Honor Band. Jarrod had to memorize 16 scales and a chromatic scale, along with playing two études (short parts of songs) for his audition. After his audition, he got recalled and the judge determined he made the cut. He made the second chair position playing first part French Horn. On Jan. 21, Jarrod went to Iowa City West High School to rehearse and perform in the SEIBA concert. He rehearsed for about six hours and then played in the concert, which started at 6:30 p.m. He said his mouth was very sore after playing for a total of seven hours, but it was a good experience which showed off all of his hard work. Jarrod didn't make it to SEIBA Honor Band on his own; he had a great instructor by the name of Gidget Utterback, who is the elementary music teacher. She has helped him since he was in fifth grade, and they get along well. Jarrod also got the opportunity to play at Coe College Honor Band which was on April 8 and April 15. Jarrod rehearsed on April 8 and had his concert on April 15. In order to be accepted to the Coe College Honor Band, he had to have enough achievements in his band career. Congratulations Jarrod!

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY GRACE MCHUGH

WHAT ARE YOU MOST EXCITED FOR THIS SUMMER?

MRS. TANDY STAFF



"LOTS OF CAMPING"

DAKOTA SLAUGHTER 12TH



"WORKING AND MAKING MONEY"

JILL SCHULTE 11TH



"NOT BEING IN SCHOOL"

WILL SMITH 10TH



"PLAYING VIDEO GAMES"

VINCENT LITTY 9TH



"SLEEPING AND SWIMMING"

AJ SHEETZ 8TH



"GOING TO A CUBS GAME IN JULY"

CHLOE PRINGLE 7TH



"SWIMMING"