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GIRLS BASKETBALL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY TRISTAN SYPHERD



This week's Athlete of the week is Jill Schulte. She is a junior that plays on the Keota Eagle's

Basketball team as a point guard or wing. Jill is looking forward to the team making improvements and doing better than the years before. She is going to try and improve her own skills as well. The ultimate achievement Jill has for the team is winning just a few more games. She has a saying that she always tends to say, which is, "Bailey...calm down." Jill likes this sport because she gets to play as a team with her friends. The funniest moments Jill has had during basketball is during the games. Bailey ends up falling in the middle of the game, then Callie will fall, then Bailey will fall again and finally they both will fall. Basically, the freshman just fall a lot, and Jill thinks it's funny. We wish Jill the best of luck in the rest of her season with the Eagle's basketball team.

JUNK OR JEWEL

BY BEN SHEMANSKI



This week on Junk or Jewel we have Alex Heisdorffer and his 2004 Pontiac Grand Prix GTP. His car has 119,420 miles. It has a supercharged 3.8L V6 under the hood. The black paint job goes well with the tan interior. Alex's car gets about 23 miles to the gallon when he is cruisin' on the highway. His radio presents are 99.7, 94.1, 100.7, and 102.9. He bought the car for 5,200 dollars from Kalona Auto. The specialties in his car are the sunroof, subwoofers, and the heads up display. What Alex likes about his car is that "it goes vroom and bumps." Alex can fit five people in his car. His estimated top speed is around 135. Some of the best memories are "cruising around with his homeboys," Turner Klein and Ben Shemanski. One bad memory Alex has in his car is locking himself out of his car in the Washington McDonald's parking lot. Alex has nicknamed his car Maurice, from the song "The Joker" by the Steve Miller Band. Alex owned a blue Honda Civic before his new to him fancy Grand Prix. He travels the most to Washington, but the furthest he has gone is Des Moines, Iowa and he travels the most with "the shop squad." Now it's your time to decide, is Alex's car a Junk or Jewel?

ALEX ASPIRES FOR SUCCESS



BY LOGAN SIEREN

Alexander Patrick Heisdorffer, better known as Alex, was born on December 6, 1999. Alex was born into a fairly large family. His parents are Phil and Lisa Heisdorffer. He has five siblings, named Melissa, Derrick, Tim, Raven, and Mike. Alex admires his parents because they are open to other's opinions. Alex has made many memories with his family, but one of his favorites is going to amusement parks with his family. As a child, Alex spent his free time hanging out with his friends. He really enjoyed this because of all

the fun and exciting memories that they made together. Alex also had dreams of being a plane pilot during his childhood. He was also very successful at pedal tractor pulls, winning many trophies, and proudly calls this one of his favorite achievements.

At Keota High School, Alex is very involved in extracurricular activities. In the fall, he played football for the SK Cobras. Alex really enjoyed playing football and calls it his favorite high school sport because of the bonding and friends that you make. He also participates in track in the spring. In track, Alex has been very successful throwing the shot put and the discus. Alex has also been involved in band and FFA in his earlier high school years. Alex's favorite high school memory is always winning the Anything Goes games and events during Homecoming. He also enjoys playing internet games with his classmates. Some of his favorite games include agar.io, wings.io, Town of Salem,

and Roblox. Alex's favorite classes at Keota High School are the shop classes taught by Mrs. Amelon. However, he feels like Personal Finance has helped prepare him the most for the future. Outside of school, Alex enjoys fishing and has a profound interest in cars. Last summer he worked for Monsanto by assisting plants in self-pollination.

In the fall of 2018, Alex plans to attend Kirkwood Community College. At Kirkwood, Alex will practice time management skills because his bad habit of procrastination concerns him. Even though he is currently unsure of his career plans, he still has promising lifetime goals. In ten years, Alex hopes to be living in a small suburb in town or a town in a newer small house. In his lifetime, he wants to pay off his house, be happily married, and own a nice car. Alex will be able to achieve these goals because his views are very realistic and practical. After graduation, Alex will miss

his classmates the most. Alex describes himself as a nice guy that doesn't judge people, and he wants to be remembered by underclassmen and teachers as a nice and helpful senior. Kolton Strand says, "Alex is the GOAT (Greatest Of All Time) at football." Alex's advice for future seniors is simple. "It's just like the other three years," he says.

We will miss Alex at KHS but we wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.



BOYS BASKETBALL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY TURNER KLEIN



This week I had the pleasure to interview our Athlete of the Week, Carson Sprouse. Carson is known around

the school as a stellar athlete. When I asked Carson what he is looking forward to most this season, he said winning. Carson is trying to improve his consistency from the three point line this year. He says his ultimate achievement in this sport would be going to State. I don't know how he plans to achieve that because he plays JV, but good luck to him! Carson's favorite saying is "Don't hate the player, hate the game." Carson plays point guard, which means you can see him controlling the pace of the game and dishing out sweet dimes to his teammates. One of the funniest moments Carson has seen is when in Junior High, his coach Tanner McClenehan threw his stopwatch against a wall and the stopwatch shattered. We all wish Carson the best of luck on the rest of his JV season and salute this big baller.

KEOTA BOYS BASKETBALL UPDATE

BY LUKE GREINER

The following article was written on January 10, 2018 and does not reflect more recent game stats.

After completing just over half of the season, the Eagles are sitting tied for third in the conference with rival Belle Plaine. The Eagles are 8-3 on the season with a few really quality wins.

The boys began the year at a perfect 5-0. Through the next four games the Eagles went 1-3. They finished out 2017 on a high note by beating North

Mahaska 67-45. After returning they played against Colfax-Mingo, defeating them 68-63. Through the next week they will face off against conference foes H.L.V. and B.G.M., as well as Washington in a non-conference game. Part of the Eagles' success can be granted to their ability to score, as they are 17th in Class 1A in points per game. Throughout the year they are undefeated when scoring over 60 points, but on the contrary when teams hold them

to 60 or less the Eagles have yet to win. When asked what the team needed to improve on to be more competitive, senior leader Turner Klein answered, "We have really been working to improve on defense and rebounding." If the Eagles are able to improve on these two facets of the game, they will be more successful on nights when the shots aren't falling.

The Eagles are led by sophomore sensation J.D. Stout. Stout is averaging 22.1 points

per game while shooting nearly 60% from the field. On the defensive side of the ball it is Eakins and Wilson leading the way, Eakins with 69 defensive boards, as well as 19 offensive, while Wilson has 28 steals on the season.

It will be exciting to see the season continue. This group is capable of being very competitive. We hope for the best and encourage all to attend the games and root on your Keota Eagles.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

BY MATTHEW HYMAN

HOW WILL SENIORS RESPOND TO 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...

MARTY BAKER

Q: What is the worst Christmas gift you have ever gotten?

7th:

A: "Toothbrush, because who wants a toothbrush?"



12th:

"Deodorant, because the person that got me it must think I smell."



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KHS HOMECOMING COURT 2018

BY RILEY CONRAD



Pictured above is the 2018 KHS Homecoming Court. From left to right, the King and Queen candidates are: Ana Ackerman-Axume, escorted by Luke Greiner; Grace McHugh, escorted by Cole Brenneman; Olivia Sieren, escorted by Hunter Wilson; and Kylie Beinhart, escorted by Riley Conrad. Congratulations to the 2018 KHS Homecoming Court!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY ANNA DUWA

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE WINTER ACTIVITY AND WHY?

MRS. STRIEGLE STAFF



WATCHING THE BASKETBALL GAMES, BECAUSE I LIKE WATCHING MY SON AND GRANDSON

HUNTER WILSON 12TH



PLAYING BASKETBALL, BECAUSE I ENJOY IT AND THERE IS NOTHING ELSE TO DO

PAIGE THOMPSON 11TH



WATCHING NETFLIX, BECAUSE IT'S STRESS RELIEVING

NOLAN VERSTRAETE 10TH



GOING HUNTING, 'CAUSE I GET TO KILL STUFF

CALLIE MCNURLEN 9TH



SLIDDING, BECAUSE IT IS A GOOD TIME

AJ SHEETS 8TH



COZYING UP NEXT TO THE FIRE, BECAUSE IT'S NICE

AIDEN CONRAD 7TH



SLIDDING, BECAUSE IT'S FUN