



# THE EAGLE'S WING



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## JUNIOR HIGH ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY FRANKIE JOHNSON



This week's Junior High Athlete of the Week is seventh grader, Hunter Sieren. He has just started his first year of wrestling. What he is most looking forward to this year is learning more about the sport and improving throughout the season. Hunter stated, "Starting in seventh grade, I have a lot to learn. Most people I wrestle have been doing it for a few years." It is obvious he has already improved, as he achieved his ultimate achievement for the year of getting a pin! Hunter's motto he goes by is "Leave it on the mat." What he likes most about wrestling is getting to know his teammates better. He knew many of them from football, but being on the same wrestling team as well allows him to become even closer with them. When asked if he has had any enjoyable moments so far this season, Hunter said it was definitely competing in the Iowa vs. Iowa State Dual with a few of his teammates. He enjoyed the experience, despite the fact that "The Cyclones were robbed."

We know Hunter will continue to improve and we wish him the best of luck on the remainder of his wrestling season!

## JUNK OR JEWEL

BY TRISTAN SYPHERD



This week's Junk or Jewel is Tristan Sypherd with his 2004 Dodge Neon. It's got 126,000 miles on a 2.0L four banger engine with an automatic transmission. It's red with black steel wheels, so it's hard to miss. He has to plug in an AUX cord to use the radio because the radio antenna doesn't work. The previous owner was a friend of his, TJ Durst, who didn't need the car anymore because he got a new one. He didn't need two cars, so he sold it to him for a small price of \$200 about two weeks ago. It's equipped with an aftermarket radio, and a fart can. For those who don't know what a fart can is, it's a goofy looking muffler that makes a fart noise when revved. What he likes most about the car is that it only costs about \$20 to fill. He can fit five people in the car legally. He says he hasn't tested its top speed yet. He hasn't had it long enough to have any good or bad memories in the car yet. If he were to name the car, he said he'd probably name it "Red Rocket" because it's red and it's loud. He's owned too many previous cars to list. He travels between Keota and Washington most often in the car, but hasn't taken any road trips in it yet. Now what do you think? Is the Red Rocket a junk or a jewel?

## SYPHERD IS SET TO SUCCEED



BY TREY CARLSON

On July 19, 2000, Lee and Carrie Sypherd welcomed their first son, Tristan Lee Sypherd, into the world. Tristan has one younger sibling named Cecil. One thing Tristan admires about his parents is the way that they work hard even when times are tough and things are not going their way.

Growing up, Tristan says his favorite childhood memory was when he got his first four wheeler to rip around on. His favorite

family tradition is going to Wall Lake for Christmas at his Great Grandma's.

When Tristan was young, he thought he was going to grow up to be a race car driver or a mechanic. Throughout the years, Tristan has been involved in many extra curricular activities, including football, track, and Babe Ruth baseball. The sports Tristan enjoyed the most out of these were football and baseball, because they are aggressive sports. Tristan says that he is most proud of himself for not failing a class yet. In his free time Tristan likes to ride four wheelers, bike, and play with his RC car.

Tristan says the class that has helped him most in life is On the Job Training, because it has given him real work experience. Tristan has worked a couple of different jobs while in high school. He has worked at iGraphix doing printing, de-

signing, and cutting, as well as Beenblossom Farms moving and sorting pigs. From these responsibilities, Tristan says he has learned to take his time and do things right the first time.

Tristan says that his favorite elementary school memories were the field trips, and his favorite elementary teacher was Mrs. Becky, because "she was super chill." His favorite high school memory was when a glove caught on fire in Ms. Hobbs' science room. The thing he will miss most after graduation is football. One thing Tristan said KHS has to offer that he admires is small class sizes.

After Tristan graduates, he plans to join the military. One thing he would like to accomplish in his lifetime is to build his dream car, a 1969 Elenor. Tristan says the three words that best describe him are resourceful, handy, and creative. Tristan says if he could go back

and do high school over again, he would get more credits his freshman and sophomore year so he could have graduated early if he wanted to.

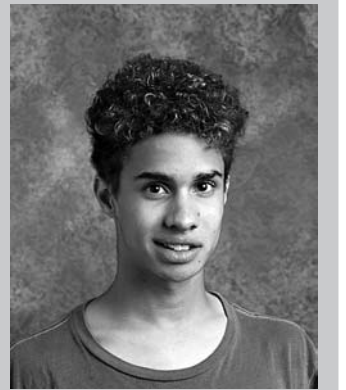
Tristan's advice for future seniors is to get as many credits as they can before their senior year so they can have an enjoyable senior year of high school.

We wish Tristan the best of luck in his future.



## HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY PRESTON MCDONALD



This week's High School Athlete of the Week is Jayden Benford. Jayden plays JV basketball for the Keota Eagles. He plays the position of guard and center for the team. This season, Jayden is looking forward to getting a lot of wins and he hopes he does not lose many games. Jayden wants to improve on his shooting this season. His ultimate goal in basketball is to make a bunch of threes. Jayden's motto is "Follow your dreams and achieve your dreams." His favorite thing about playing basketball is playing with his friends. His favorite memory is Dakota falling on his butt during practice.

We wish Jayden the best of luck in the rest of the season.

## WINTER FINE ARTS NIGHT

BY BERGEN DALTON

### HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS



The Keota High School chorus sings "A Jubilant Song" at the Winter Fine Arts Night on Thursday, Dec. 13. The chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards.

### HIGH SCHOOL BAND



The Keota High School band performs "Bohemian Rhapsody" at the Winter Fine Arts Night on Thursday, Dec. 13. The band is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards.

### EAGLEROCK



EagleRock! sings their ballad "Dream Small" at the Winter Fine Arts Night on Thursday, December 13, 2018.

### JUNIOR HIGH BAND



The Junior High band performs "Dance of the Jester" at the Winter Fine Arts Night on Thursday, Dec. 13. The band is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards.

### KHS CHEERLEADERS

BY PAIGE MINARD



The 2018-2019 KHS Cheerleaders, from left to right are: Jolee Walker, Paige Minard, June Daing, and Taylor Conrad. The KHS Cheerleaders are coached by Jennifer Cleland.

### JUNIOR HIGH CHORUS



The Junior High chorus sings "Reviewing the Situation" at the Winter Fine Arts Night on Thursday, Dec. 13. The chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

BY BERGEN DALTON

### 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...

**Jolee Walker**

Q: If there could be a restaurant in Keota, what would you choose?

7th:  
A: "Pizza Ranch"



12th:  
"Pizza Ranch or McDonald's"



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## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY KOLTON STRAND

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING TO DO ON CHRISTMAS BREAK?

MS. KAPLAN  
STAFF



"BE WITH FAMILY"

LAUREN IMHOFF  
12<sup>TH</sup>



"SLEEP AND WATCH NETFLIX"

KENDALL WILSON  
11<sup>TH</sup>



"MAKE CUT-OUT COOKIES"

LINDSEY IMHOFF  
10<sup>TH</sup>



"WATCH CHRISTMAS MOVIES AND BE WITH FAMILY"

DREW SIERN  
9<sup>TH</sup>



"VISIT FAMILY"

CALEB WATERHOUSE  
8<sup>TH</sup>



"GO HUNTING"

HUNTER SIERN  
7<sup>TH</sup>



"I LIKE SEEING FAMILY"