



The Eagle's Wing

KEOTA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT NEWSPAPER



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Former KHS graduate, Justin Moeller, qualified for the NIAA National Championships with his winning long jump of 23-2 on Sunday, Dec. 4. Photo courtesy of William Penn Athletics.

By TAYLOR KINDRED

This week I got the pleasure to meet with former Keota graduate Justin Moeller. Justin graduated from Keota High School in the class of 2019. Justin is currently living in Oskaloosa, Iowa while also currently enrolled at William Penn University as a junior. In college Justin is double majoring in Psychology and Human Services. In the summertime he works with Delong Construction.

Justin is a member of the Track and Field team at William Penn, and was one of seven national qualifiers last year. This year in his track season at the season-opening Frozen Bee Classic, Justin qualified for Nationals with a winning long jump of 23 feet and 2 inches. At this meet he earned a gold medal in his long jump event. Some of Justin's career bests in college so far include a time of 7.60 seconds in the 60-meter dash in 2019, a 23-6.75 foot long jump in 2021, and also a 43-1 foot triple jump in 2021.

Thus far Justin's plans for college have worked out great for him, but he wishes he had more plans for after college than he does at the moment. In high school the class that was most useful for him was Personal Finance, as it very much prepared him for adult life and taught him many things he uses in the real world. I asked Justin if he would do anything differently if he had the chance to do high school over again, and he said, "If I had to go through high school again I would do it almost the same. The decisions that I made throughout high school have led me to where I am now, and I am very thankful for that. The only thing I would change is that I would enjoy it more." Justin also misses getting to see his high school friends every day at school, because it was the most enjoyable part. He didn't realize how much fun he had with those people when he was in high school until it was over. Justin's advice to current high school students is to find something you really enjoy when you get out of school, no matter if it is sports, music, drama, or anything else. He also recommends that students have as much fun as they can because it only gets harder.

The biggest surprise about college for Justin was getting to be a part of the William Penn track team. He didn't plan on even going out for track in college because he was nervous, but he put himself out there and is now doing something he loves. College definitely changed his lifestyle, because of just how different it is than high school. He had to start doing everything on his own, which was a big responsibility shift. He also has to be responsible for himself because his mom isn't there to do it all for him anymore.

Good luck to Justin on his track season, and on the rest of college along with it. We hope you do great things.

KHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Colten is continuing his way into his future



By MAKENZIE JACKSON

This week's Senior Spotlight is on Colten Allen Clarahan. He was born on May 6, 2004. He is the son of Tim and Angela Clarahan and the oldest of three. His two brothers are Caden and Chase Clarahan.

Colten's favorite childhood memory was playing sports with his friends. His favorite birthday party memory is when he was in fourth grade and he was able to go to the Iowa Cubs game with his friends. His favorite elementary school teacher is Mr. Hill because Colten always liked his classes and Mr. Hill is also now his golf coach. Colten's favorite memory from elementary

school was playing tackle soccer in the winter during recess. When he was younger he wanted to be a Major League Baseball player when he grew up because of his love for the game.

Colten admires his parents for being good role models and helping him learn right from wrong. Colten works at W.C. Gretters and Sons in the summers. His duties include cleaning the grain bins and other simple tasks. He has learned from his hard work that good things come when you work hard.

One of the things Colten wants to accomplish in his lifetime is to play in the MLB. Colten possesses hard working skills and determination to be able to accomplish his goals. Three words that describe Colten would be a leader, ambitious, and compassionate.

Throughout his high school career Colten has been involved in baseball, basketball, football, golf, FFA, and speech. Colten says that the extracurricular activities he enjoys the most would be baseball, because it's his favorite sport, and football, because he was able to go to the UNI Dome. An accomplishment he is

proud of is making All-State in football and baseball.

One activity Colten likes to do in his free time is playing poker with his friends. He likes it because he gets to be with friends and he gets to have fun.

After graduating, Colten plans to go to Southeastern Community College to major in Exercise Science and continue to play baseball. In ten years, Colten sees himself playing professional baseball with a happy family. Colten's favorite high school memory is playing football in the UNI Dome his junior year.

The class that Colten has enjoyed the most in high school was Chemistry with Ms. Hobbs, because the work was hard but Ms. Hobbs made it fun and it was a good time. The class that he thinks has prepared him the most for life would be Practical Math with Ms. Kaplan because he was able to learn about buying or renting houses and other real life situations.

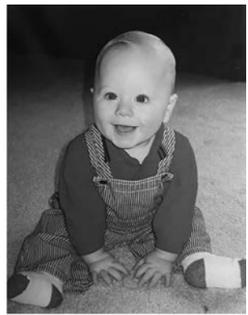
Colten says that KHS is different from other schools because it gives students a chance to participate in lots of activities. What he will miss about KHS the most is

being able to do what he wants from time to time.

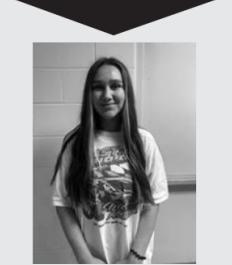
Colten hopes that people will remember him as a good kid who younger people can look up to. If he could go back and do high school all over again, Colten says he would not be as timid as he was. The advice he has for future seniors is to have fun while it lasts and do not take anything for granted.

When classmate Taylor Kindred was asked what she will miss the most about Colten she said, "I will miss our everyday conversations in third and sixth hour and all the funny jokes we talk about."

We wish Colten the best of luck with his future endeavors and we hope to see him succeed in whatever he does.



10 FACTS ABOUT KHS JUNIOR VLADA NECULITA



By ANTHONY WESTENDORF

- #1 Vlada's favorite food is mac and cheese.
- #2 Vlada loves to draw in her free time.
- #3 Her favorite season is summer because she can hang out with her friends outside of school.
- #4 She likes strawberry ice cream.
- #5 Her favorite drink is Diet Coke.
- #6 She is very scared of insects.
- #7 Vlada can play the guitar.
- #8 Vlada has one sibling.
- #9 Vlada's favorite color is black.
- #10 What she spends way too much money on is clothes.

KEOTA HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

By DREW SIEREN



Pictured is the 2021-2022 Keota High School Girls Varsity Basketball team. From left to right, they are: (back row) Taylor Garman, Nicole Clarahan, Macie McDonald, Grace Conger; (front row) Izzi Chalupa, Ava Greiner, and Kimi Clarahan. The team's coaches are Jeff Sprouse and Tim Clarahan. Photo by Batterson Photography.

JV BOYS BASKETBALL

By COLTEN CLARAHAN



Pictured is the 2021-22 Keota JV Boys Basketball team. From left to right, they are: (back row) Brody Greiner, Aiden McGuire, Ashton Thomas, Jace Chalupa, Billie Kindred; (front row) Chase Sieren, Carson McDonald, Tanner Waterhouse, Austin Black, and Dylan Weber. The JV Boys Basketball team is coached by Larry Lyle. Photo by Batterson Photography.

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

By COLTEN CLARAHAN



Pictured is the 2021-22 Keota Varsity Boys Basketball team. From left to right, they are: (back row) Colten Clarahan, Dalton Dodd, Aidan Anderson, Conner Strand, Evan Vittetoe, Grant Garman; (front row) Caleb Waterhouse, Caden Sprouse, Sawyer Stout, Cole Kindred, and AJ Sheetz. The Varsity Basketball team is coached by Dan Stout. Photo by Batterson Photography.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

By MAKENZIE JACKSON

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 younger. Let's see how their responses have changed over the years...

COLTEN CLARAHAN

Q: What is your favorite thing about Prom?

7th:
A: "Grand March"



12th:
A: "After Prom"



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QUESTION OF THE WEEK
By TAYLOR KINDRED

What is the weirdest snack you've ever eaten?

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| <p>Mr. Whitten Teacher</p> <p>"Chocolate covered cockroaches"</p> | <p>Kai Leigh Purcell 12th</p> <p>"Carrots and ice cream"</p> | <p>Caden Sprouse 11th</p> <p>"Italian bread dipped in grape juice"</p> | <p>Cassandra Swantz 10th</p> <p>"Peanut butter and pickles"</p> | <p>Owen Morris 9th</p> <p>"Dried crickets"</p> | <p>Chase Haifley 8th</p> <p>"Wasabi peas"</p> | <p>Porter Cave 7th</p> <p>"Cheetos dipped in ketchup"</p> |
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