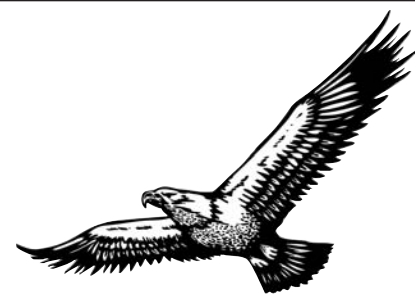


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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: TYLER VERSTRAETE

BLAST FROM THE PAST

BY AVERY CONRAD

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...

Zach Mousel

Q: If you could take any celebrity on a date, who would you take?

7th:

A: "Selena Gomez."



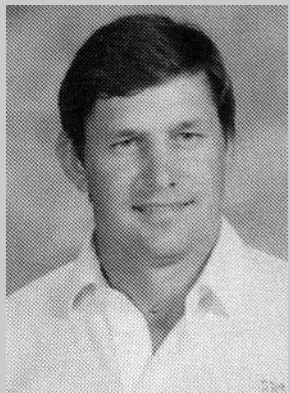
12th:

A: "Definitely Selena Gomez."



MYSTERY PHOTO

BY AVERY CONRAD



Last week's Mystery Photo was of former KHS teacher, Mrs. Cheryl Dalquist. No one was able to identify her. This week's Mystery Photo is also from the 1994 KHS Yearbook. Can you guess who this is? The first student to get the correct answer to Mrs. Conrad will win a free bag of candy of their choice. The winner's name will be published in the next Eagle's Wing.

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BY KYLEA TINNES

Tyler Drew Verstraete was born on April 24, 1998. His parents are Jeannie Verstraete and Dan Horras and Andy Verstraete. He has three brothers: Nolan Verstraete, Jackson Horras, and Brycen Horras. His favorite childhood memory is going out to eat every Thursday with his mom and younger brother, Nolan. His favorite family vacation was going

to North Carolina for two years in a row with the Horras family. When asked what he admires most about his family, Tyler said he admires the fact that his mother has always put him and his brother before herself.

Growing up, Tyler always wanted to be an architect or an accountant. Now that he's older, he's looking forward to attending the University of Iowa, where he will be entering the Biomedical Engineering Honors Program. Lifetime goals Tyler plans to accomplish include not having financial insecurities, becoming a good husband and father, and traveling the world.

During his time at Keota High School, Tyler has been involved in basketball, football, baseball, soccer, speech, DARE, LEAP, and Fall plays. Tyler has also been a part of the Student Council and is currently a Class Officer. Out of all the extra-curricular activities he's been involved in, he says soccer is his favorite, "because I have been playing since I was four and I have a love for the game."

While attending Keota High School, Tyler's favorite memory

was staying in Ames with his classmates the Friday night before performing at All-State speech. His Reader's Theatre group has made it to All-State for the past two years in a row, and they are hoping to make it again this year for the third consecutive year. Other fond memories Tyler has are the rides to and from games and contests.

Tyler describes himself as tall, funny, kind, realistic, honest, and loyal. His pet peeve is when people chew with their mouths open. His worst habit is that he bites his nails.

When asked what class he has enjoyed the most at KHS, Tyler said, "No particular class, because every teacher and every class, including the students in them, have taught me many invaluable lessons that will help me moving forward."

When leaving KHS behind, Tyler thinks he will miss the sports and the small community feel most of all. He hopes to be remembered as a kind person that would be there for anyone if they needed it.

When asked what she will miss the most about Tyler af-

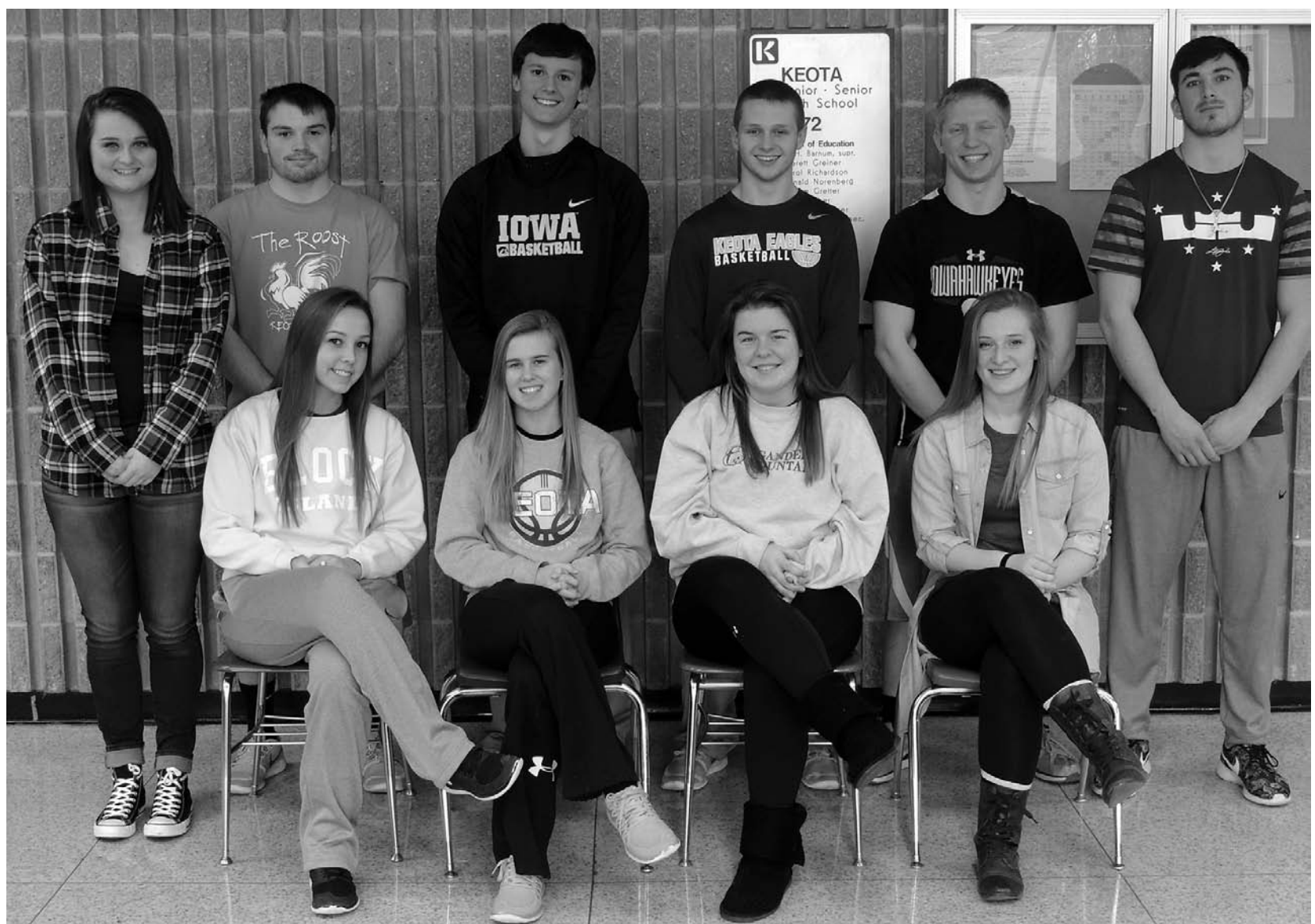
ter he graduates, junior Bianca Cardona said, "He always made me feel special and I could talk to him about anything. Oh, and he has a cute smile!"

Tyler's advice to future KHS seniors is simple: "Take advantage of what you have here at Keota High School. I have been a lot of places and there is nothing else like this."

We wish Tyler the best of luck in his future.



KHS HOMECOMING COURT 2016



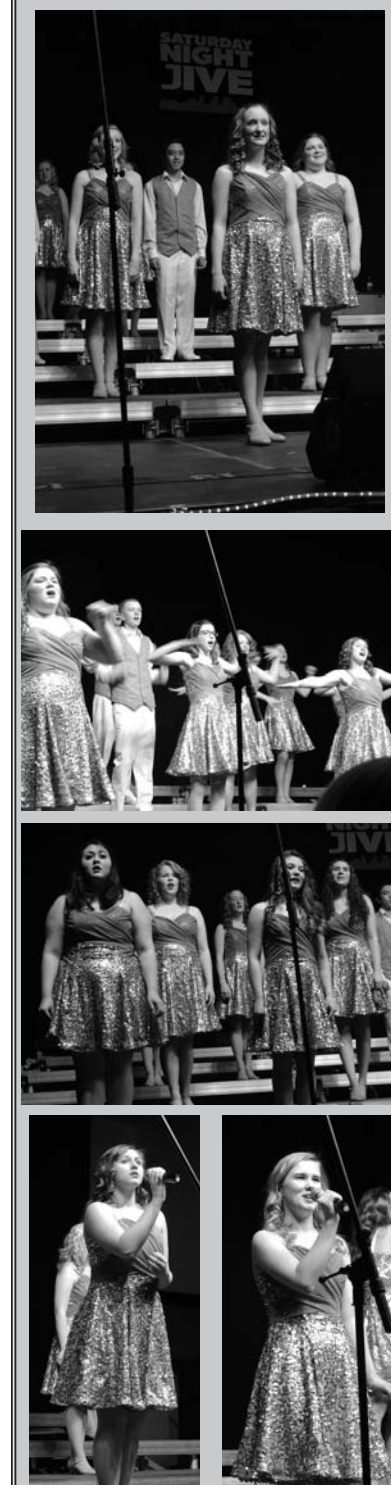
Congratulations to the 2016 KHS Homecoming Court. From left to right, back to front, they are: Alyssa White (escort), Nate Sieren, Tyler Verstraete, Zach Mousel, Paden Uphold, Isaiah Hahn (escort), Bekah Fagen, Abby Schulte, Cortney Hyman, and Mariah Lyle. Stay tuned to next week's Eagle's Wing for pictures of all the Homecoming Week festivities.

SPEECH HOME PRESENTATIONS



The Keota High School Speech Team held Home Presentations on Wed., Jan. 20, in the KHS auditorium. Pictured above is the Choral Reading group performing "Hammer in his Hands." The evening included performances by all of the groups that will be competing at Districts in Pella on Sat., Jan. 23. Watch next week's Eagle's Wing for more pictures of all the performing groups, as well as results from District Speech Contest.

EAGLEROCK! KICKS OFF CONTEST SEASON



EagleRock! Show Choir kicked off the 2016 season at West Branch on Sat., Jan. 16. The group put on a fabulous show and came home with a 2nd place trophy. Be sure and catch them at home when they perform at the State Show Choir Competition to be held in the Keota High School gymnasium on Mon., Feb. 1st.

KHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



BY COLE STOUT

Anthony Campbell is this week's Athlete of the Week. Anthony is a guard for the Keota Eagles Basketball team. On Sat., Jan. 9, Anthony scored 4 points against Pekin. This season, Anthony is looking forward to more playing time. He is trying to improve his shooting percentage. His ultimate achievement would be to score 10 points in a game. His favorite part of playing basketball is taking the ball to the hoop. His favorite moment is when he hit a buzzer beater over Pekin, even though we lost that game. We look forward to watching Anthony play the rest of the year.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY JACE UPHOLD

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE HOMECOMING TRADITION?

<p><u>AMY HEMSLEY</u> STAFF</p> <p>I ALWAYS ENJOYED WATCHING THE LIP SYNC CONTEST.</p>	<p><u>ZACH MOUSEL</u> 12TH</p> <p>I ENJOY T-PING "CON MI AMIGOS."</p>	<p><u>RAIGAN SPROUSE</u> 11TH</p> <p>I LIKE GOING TO THE GAME ON FRIDAY NIGHT.</p>	<p><u>HUNTER WILSON</u> 10TH</p> <p>"DING DONG DITCHING" ON T-P NIGHT IS PRETTY FUN.</p>	<p><u>AUSTIN WATERHOUSE</u> 9TH</p> <p>ANYTHING GOES NIGHT IS THE BEST.</p>	<p><u>DAWSON BAUMERT</u> 8TH</p> <p>HAVING FUN AT THE GAME ON FRIDAY NIGHT.</p>	<p><u>PAIGE MINARD</u> 7TH</p> <p>I LIKE DRESSING UP FOR SPIRIT DAY.</p>
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