



THE EAGLE'S WING



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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY TURNER KLEIN



This week I had the opportunity to interview Marty Baker. Marty is a Keota rodeo legend. When I talked to him about his goals this season, he said he hopes to go to State Finals this year so he can make short-go. He is currently working on throwing his rope quickly and throwing it farther to cut down his time in team roping. His ultimate achievement in roping would be to make Nationals in team roping. Marty's roping motto is #BeBetter. This is also the Iowa High School Rodeo motto. Marty is a team rope header and also a calf roper. The thing Marty most likes about rodeo is he gets to compete with and against his friends. Marty plans to rope in college, and already has a scholarship to the prestigious Iowa Central Community College. We all wish Marty good luck with his roping career next year!

JUNK OR JEWEL

BY TRISTAN SYPHERD



Preston McDonald has a 1997 Dodge Ram 2500. This nice looking truck was bought on May 1 of 2017 for only \$900 cash. The previous owner was a famous derby car driver, Heath McDonald. When Preston bought the truck from Heath it had a lot of miles, and now it has even more. No one really knows if it's the right mileage or not. The truck has some rust on it, but you can still see the really nice, shiny, white paint job it has. The truck also has a V10 Hellcat Cummins motor that will go to top speeds of 205 mph and can purr really nice. Preston only gets 8.5 mpg, but he doesn't mind. The truck will go anywhere he wants it to, besides the time he ran out of gas. That was the only time he's had bad luck with the truck. His favorite time with the truck was going mudding with his friends and going to pick up a snowmobile in Fairfield. The people that travel with him the most are Trey and Hunter. Preston's truck can fit up to six people, so they have room for people they pick up off the street. Preston and his friends mainly drive the back roads in the truck, but never tearing anything up of course. He enjoys listening to the pre-set stations of 96.5 and 98.1 on his radio. Preston isn't just known for his truck. He also had a previous car, his 1999 Honda Civic, that was later named the "Lit RT." However, he hasn't found a name for the old 1997 Dodge Goat. Preston's truck is a real beauty, so it's definitely a jewel.

SIEREN IS SOARING FOR SUCCESS



BY FRANKIE JOHNSON

Logan James Sieren was born on December 18, 1999 to Jayme and Angie Sieren. Logan is the oldest child and has one younger sister, Lauren Sieren. When asked what Logan admires most about his parents, he replied with how hard they work and

how successful they are. One of Logan's favorite childhood memories includes riding in the tractor and combine with his dad.

Throughout his time at Keota High School, Logan has participated in many extracurricular activities, including football, basketball, track, FFA, 4-H, CYM, and Washington County Council. Out of all these activities, Logan says his favorite would have to be football, because he enjoys being part of a family and has gained a lot of great friends through the sport. When not participating in sports, FFA, or 4-H activities, Logan helps out on his family farm. He feels doing this has helped him to develop time-management skills, as well as a strong work ethic.

After high school, Logan plans to attend Iowa State

University to study Ag Engineering. He chose to do this because he really enjoys agriculture and is good at it. In ten years, Logan sees himself working for John Deere as an Ag Engineer and happily married. Some qualities he possesses that will help him achieve these goals include that he is a hard worker, motivated, reliable, and well organized.

One accomplishment Logan is most proud of is achieving is the 2011 Iowa State Fair Commercial Gilt Show. One of his favorite high school memories is winning the FFA Conduct of Meetings at State FFA Convention.

When asked what classes have prepared him most for life, Logan responded with his Kirkwood classes, because they have helped him to know what to expect in college. I

asked classmate Turner Klein to give me a quote about Logan, to which he replied, "Logan is a great teammate with a strong work ethic." Logan said that after graduating Keota High School, he hopes to be remembered as a role model for younger students. We wish Logan the best of luck at Iowa State next year!



PARENTING CLASS WEARS EMPATHY BELLY

BY FRANKIE JOHNSON



Grace McHugh is pictured wearing the empathy belly.

The Parenting class has been recently experiencing what it is like to be pregnant with the empathy belly. Each student must either wear the belly for half the day, or write a two page paper about teen parenting in order to receive full credit. The belly is made up of weights and warm water, and weighs approximately twenty-two pounds. While wearing the belly, they have to perform simple tasks such as tying their shoes, sitting in a student desk, rolling from their back to their side, and picking up items off the floor. After wearing the belly, the students must complete a one-page diary entry about their experience wearing the belly. When I asked Gracie McHugh what the most surprising part was about wearing the belly, she replied with, "It was heavy as heck." The experience shows the seniors a small glimpse into the wonders and struggles of parenting, pregnancy, and real life responsibilities they may all experience in the future.

SPEECH STUDENTS WOW THE CROWD

BY ANNA DUWA



Mikayla Beatty, Taylor Conrad, Anna Duwa, Aaliyah Heldman, Jaime Schulte, Addison Swanson, and Kendall Wilson talk about social happenings in their "trailer park" in "Trailer Park Broadcasting Scandals."



Avery Ackerman and Lexi Purkeypille pretend to drive in their Group Improv.



Brady Duwa, Riley Hahn, Sam Sieren, Carson Sprouse, and Luke Hammen try to break the speed record on skis in "How Angel Peterson Got His Name."



Bailey Sieren, Callie McNurlen, Jenna Jaeger, Lindsey Imhoff, Bryce Greiner, and Max Johnson perform "The Christmas Machine."



Avery Ackerman, Chase Kindred, and Patrick Clarahan are performing "The Secret Origin of Mojo Man."



Sam Menke, Cooper Sieren, Joe Swanstrom, Olin Walker, and Tyler Waterhouse talk to the "alien" doctor in "Superhero Support Group."

DISTRICT SPEECH RESULTS

BY ANNA DUWA

On the night of Wednesday, Jan. 17, the Keota Speech program performed a variety of performances for the population of Keota. Then, on Saturday, Jan. 20, they performed at the District Contest at Ottumwa High School. All three Group Improvs received a rating of two. The three Ensembles that performed all received a one for their efforts, including: "The Secret Origin of Mojo Man", "Superhero Support Group", and "The Christmas Machine." "Breaking Badly", Keota's only Choral Reading, also achieved a one. "Trailer Park Broadcasting Scandals" and "How Angel Peterson Got His Name" both got ones under the category of Reader's Theater. The final One Act of the day, Keota's own "Scooter Thomas Makes It To The Top Of The World," was given a one as well. All of this hard work continues on Feb. 3 where all groups who received a one at Districts will perform in the State Contest at Linn Mar High School in Cedar Rapids. We wish the best of luck to those who are moving on, and we hope you all do great!

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY MATTHEW HYMAN

IF YOU COULD TAKE ANYBODY ON A DATE FOR VALENTINE'S DAY, WHO WOULD IT BE AND WHY?

AMY HEMSLEY
STAFF



ROSS, BECAUSE HE IS MY HUSBAND.

JACOB MOELLER
12TH



JENNIFER ANISTON, BECAUSE SHE IS HOT.

JOLEE WALKER
11TH



LIAM FERRARI, BECAUSE I LIKE HIS "PONY DANCE."

JACKSON HAMMES
10TH



KATE UPTON, BECAUSE SHE IS A MODEL.

CHASE KINDRED
9TH



KYLIE JENNER, BECAUSE SHE IS ATTRACTIVE.

COLTON CLARAHAN
8TH



KATE UPTON, BECAUSE SHE IS HOT.

BRANDON GREINER
7TH



KATE UPTON, BECAUSE SHE IS MY IDOL.