



THE EAGLE'S WING



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KHS STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

BY CLAIRE JAEGER



Anna Duwa is a junior at Keota High School. She is the daughter of Jeff and Jill Duwa. Anna says she spends her free time drawing, reading, and painting. Any other free time not spent reading, drawing, or painting, she spends writing her own stories. She enjoys participating in the school plays and musicals. She is a decorated 4H member, with several Reserve and Grand Champion ribbons to her name. Anna is in both choir and band, singing soprano and playing the saxophone for each subject respectively. She has always aspired to be a famous author in her later years. She is a big fan of musicals, such as Phantom of the Opera, Hamilton, Dear Evan Hansen, and Chicago. Anna's favorite subjects in school include English, Social Studies, and Music. She has taken part in many of Keota's extracurricular activities, such as EagleRock!, FFA, National Honor Society, Honor Roll, Student Council, and more.

ELEMENTARY SPOTLIGHT

BY JILL SCHULTE



This week's Elementary Student of the Week is Bailey Gretter. Bailey is 10 years old. She has an older brother, Blake, and a younger sister, Becca. Her parents are Tim and Naomi Gretter. Bailey is in the fourth grade and her teacher is Mrs. James. Bailey has always attended Keota Schools, and her favorite part of the day is recess and lunch. She likes those parts the best because she does not have to learn and she can just have fun. She also really enjoys math class. However, she does not like science because it is really boring and it involves a lot of big words. Bailey thinks she wants to be a teacher when she gets older, but she is not quite sure yet. Currently, Bailey enjoys playing the piano, reading, and watching movies with her family. I had a great time interviewing Bailey and we wish her a great rest of the year.

AUSTIN IS PAVING HIS PATHWAY TO HIS FUTURE



BY JUNE DAING

James Austin Waterhouse, a.k.a Austin or "Snipz," is the son of Jamey and Traci Waterhouse. Austin was born on Dec. 23, 2000. He is part of a fun, loving, caring, understanding, and adventurous family with his three younger siblings: Tyler, Caleb, and Tanner. Baseball is the sport that Austin has always loved and he always aspired to be a part of a Major League team. Austin had an adventurous childhood with his friends and family. His favorite memory was winning the Babe Ruth Baseball Tournament, because he got a big trophy. Small and big achievements inspire him more and more every day. In his elementary years at KCSD, his favorite teacher was Mr. Hill, be-

cause "he was laid back and nice." A memory that he will forever remember is getting blue faces for being a good kid and cutting his own hair in preschool. Throughout his lifetime, his favorite birthday party was his thirteenth birthday because they "stayed up all night and only got yelled at one time."

Family is important to Austin. He admires his parents because they work very hard to put food on the table and they keep him safe and sound everywhere they go. Every family has different traditions for the holidays, and Austin's favorite family tradition is during Christmas, when they open their presents together as a family. When he was young, he aspired to be an MLB player and to play for the Chicago Cubs. The accomplishments Austin is most proud of are throwing a no-hitter during his sophomore year of playing Varsity baseball, getting First-Team All-Conference his sophomore year, and hitting a home run his junior year.

In his high school years at KHS, Austin has been involved in baseball, basketball, speech, track, choir, band, D.A.R.E. Role Model, and is a CYM Member. He enjoys all of these extracurricular activities because they require him to learn new things and adapt to different situations. In his free time, Austin likes playing video games because it keeps his mind off of the bad

things in the world.

As senior year is coming to an end, Austin has some amazing accomplishments to look back on. He was recently voted to be a part of the Homecoming Court and later was crowned Homecoming King. After high school, Austin plans to attend William Penn University in Oskaloosa to major in Sports Management. He picked this major because it will allow him to do many different sports-related jobs, from Athletic Director to being a coach. He chose William Penn because it is close to home, it offers the major that interests him, it's a small campus, and it has friendly people.

Three things Austin wants to accomplish in his lifetime are to have a family, have kids, and be the owner of his own company someday. The qualities Austin has that will help him achieve his goals are that he is a team player, a leader, and he is able to work well with other people. Three words that best describe him are kind, passionate, and caring.

Austin's favorite class at KHS was Sociology with Mr. Jacobsen, because "it was chill." Austin feels that the class that has helped prepare him most for the future is College Prep because it gave him a glance of what his future could possibly be.

Two things Austin will miss when he graduates from KHS are

baseball and his friends. He hopes to be remembered as a nice person that was good at sports and video games. His classmate, June Daing, said, "Austin will always be the goofy person that everyone will miss when he graduates from KHS and moves on to college in the fall. He will also be remembered as that gamer kid that talks non-stop about Fortnite, Call of Duty, and any other video games that he plays."

If Austin had the chance to do high school all over again, he says he probably would have gone out for speech all four years of high school. Austin's advice for the future seniors of KHS is, "Live life fully." We wish Austin the best of luck as he unfolds his future at William Penn!



TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

BY PAIGE THOMPSON



This week's Teacher Spotlight is Ms. Mary Miller. Ms. Miller is an art teacher and has been teaching at Keota High School for 20 years. She chose to teach art because she has a passion for the subject and teaching is the only career that could fit her desires. She also wants to give her love for art to other people. Ms. Miller teaches kindergarten through twelfth grade. Her favorite part about teaching is seeing the kids develop their art skills throughout elementary and high school. Her favorite units to teach are clay and painting. Ms. Miller teaches Art I, Yearbook, Studio Workspace, Ceramics, Painting, Design, Art Study, and Fundamentals of Art. Her favorite class to teach is Art I because it touches every aspect of art. It was a pleasure to interview Ms. Miller.

KEOTA STUDENTS CELEBRATE NATIONAL FFA WEEK

BY PAIGE MINARD



Keota students celebrated National FFA Week from Feb. 18-22 with many fun activities, including dress-up days, a staff appreciation breakfast, a reading relay for the elementary, and a tractor day. Pictured are the members of the 2018-19 Keota FFA Chapter. From left to right, back to front, they are: (back) Taylor Garman, Grant Garman, Dakota Detweiler, Anthony Westendorf, Drew Sieren, Colten Clarahan, Luke Hammen, Riley Hahn, (R2) Sam Sieren, Bryce Greiner, Conner Woltering, Patrick Clarahan, Brady Duwa, Max Johnson, Bailey Sieren, (R3) Sam Menke, Brianna Duwa, Jaime Schulte, Lauren Sieren, Nolan Verstraete, Jill Schulte, Jolee Altenhofen, (front) Joe Swanstrom, Cooper Sieren, Matthew Hyman, Carson Sprouse, Addison Sprouse, and Frankie Johnson. The FFA Advisor is Mr. Zach Jamison.

PARENTING CLASS PREPARES STUDENTS FOR BABIES

BY PAIGE THOMPSON



Pictured are the students in Parenting class with their electronic "smart" babies. From left to right, the proud parents are: June Daing, Paige Thompson, Brianna Duwa, Addison Sprouse, Jolee Walker, and Carly Jaeger.

Every year the kids in Parenting class are assigned robotic babies that whine and cry when needed. These babies do what real babies do, like needing to be fed, burped, rocked, and having their diapers changed. If these needs are not fulfilled, the baby will continue to cry, and the whines will get louder the longer it has to wait, which is very annoying. Just like real babies, students have to make sure they give these electronic "smart" babies the proper neck support as well.

Each person in Parenting class is in charge of these babies for a total of 48 hours. In order to

pass this unit, students have to score at least 80 percent after two full days of caring for it.

When I asked Bergen Dalton what her thoughts were on taking care of the baby, she replied with, "It was exhausting!"

Although these aren't real babies, they are very needy. They cry all throughout the day and wake up in the middle of the night wanting to be taken care of, just like real babies.

Even though this project is a bit of a pain, it is very effective in helping prepare students for the future when they decide to have their own kids someday.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

BY PAIGE THOMPSON

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: Would you rather donate a million dollars or keep it and why?

7th:
A: "Donate the million, because I would donate it to the animal shelters."



12th:
"I would donate it to the animal shelters."

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK
BY JUSTIN MOELLER
WHAT IS YOUR LEAST FAVORITE NOISE?

MS. HOBBS
STAFF



"LETTING AIR OUT OF A BALLOON SLOWLY"

JUNE DAING
12TH



"SQUEAKY MARKERS ON A WHITEBOARD"

TYLER WATERHOUSE
11TH



"SCRATCHING ON A CHALKBOARD"

MAX JOHNSON
10TH



"PLATES CLANGING TOGETHER"

NIKKI STEEGE
9TH



"STYROFOAM"

CADEN SPROUSE
8TH



"A FORK SCRATCHING PLATES"

TANNER WATERHOUSE
7TH



"SQUEAKY CHAIRS"