



THE EAGLE'S WING



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BOYS BASKETBALL KICKS OFF

BY COLE STOUT

The Keota Eagles boys basketball team kicked off the season against Lone Tree on Mon., Nov. 28. Hunter Wilson led the Eagles with 29 points, shooting 7 of 12 from the 3 point line. Jacob Wickenkamp followed with 24 points, 9 assists, and 8 rebounds, and he was followed by Cole Stout with 15 points who was 5 for 13 from the 3 point line. The Eagles ended up losing to the Lions 76 to 74. The following night, the Eagles played the Belle Plaine Plainsmen. The Eagles were led by Avery Conrad and Hunter Wilson, with both scoring 13 points. They were followed by JD Stout with 12 points. Conrad led the team in rebounds with 9 rebounds, followed by Jack Eakins with 6 rebounds. The Eagles ended up losing 73 to 54. We look forward to watching the Eagles play the rest of the season and wish them the best of luck in their upcoming games.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

BY BAYLEI MCCLELLAND

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...

ELISE SWANSTROM

Q: What's your favorite movie?

7th:
A: "Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows because Robert Downey Jr. is funny."



12th:
"Anything but horror movies."

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: AVERY CONRAD



BY BAYLEI MCCLELLAND

Avery Douglas Conrad was born on September 25, 1998. Avery is the son of Doug and Angela Conrad and has three siblings: Riley, Taylor, and Aiden. When asked what he admires most about his family, he says how they can power through anything. Avery says that one of his favorite family memories is going to Colorado.

Avery has been involved in a lot of different things while at Keota High School, including: EagleRock!, Speech, FFA, the

spring and fall plays, football, D.A.R.E., basketball, baseball, golf, National Honor Society, Student Council, Class Officer, Eagle's Wing, and Pep Band. Avery has been a big part of many of these extra-curricular activities; he's been a good role model and an active student within KHS. Out of all of these extra-curriculars, he has enjoyed basketball the most. He says that it was his father's favorite sport, so he wears his dad's number with pride and he just loves the game. When asked what one of his biggest accomplishments was, Avery says that he's proud of getting good grades.

When Avery was younger he wanted to be a farmer, but as high school is coming to a close, he now wants to be an Ag teacher. His plans are to go to Iowa State to accomplish this goal. In ten years, Avery hopes to have a wife and possibly a child. His three goals to accomplish in his lifetime are to be married, have kids, and to have a good job. To accom-

plish these goals, Avery plans to continue on with persistence and strength.

Avery's favorite school memory is going to State in basketball. He says that one of his favorite moments through his Keota education is going through the D.A.R.E. process and becoming a D.A.R.E. Role Model. Avery says that he will miss sports the most after he graduates. He says that his favorite class was Journalism, but that his Ag and math classes were the ones that have prepared him most for life. While keeping good grades and keeping up with sports, Avery has also worked at the Keota Cemetery and as a farmhand, doing chores, power washing, and mowing. He says that these jobs have taught him to be reliable and responsible.

Once Avery leaves KHS and starts his journey outside of high school, he thinks that others will remember him as "tall and dorky." Even though he says that one of his bad

habits is stressing too much, he describes himself as outgoing. His hobbies are hunting, working out, and sports. He hopes to be remembered as a good person once he leaves KHS. When asking Mallory Woltering, a fellow senior, what she will miss the most about Avery, she said, "I will miss his sense of humor and kindness."

Avery leaves us with the following advice: "Apply yourself and respect others." We wish Avery the best as he enters the world and in the years to come.



KEOTA MUSIC GROUPS TO PERFORM AT WINTER CONCERT

The Keota Junior and Senior High School Fine Arts Night takes place on Thursday, December 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium. Performing groups will include EagleRock!, Keota Junior High Band and Choir, and Keota High School Band and Choir. Art students will also be displaying their artwork in the cafeteria. Special thanks to Batterson Photography for providing all group photos.



The Keota High School Chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards. Pictured above, from left to right, are: (back row) June Daing, Dylan Burgdorf, Cullen Kelley, Cecil Sypherd, Justin Moeller, Marty Baker, Turner Klein, Jacob Moeller, Olin Walker, Ben Shemanski, Jarrod Keller, Anthony Campbell, Jacob Wickenkamp, Trey Carlson, Ty Sieren, Austin Waterhouse, Cooper Sieren; (middle row) Jillian Schulte, Kendall Wilson, Lexi Black, Taylor Conrad, Jaydin Boer, Grace McHugh, Baylei McClelland, Bianca Cardona, Mallory Woltering, Jordan Clemens, Maddie Johnson; (front row) Anna Axume-Ackerman, Anna Duwa, Jaime Schulte, Aaliyah Heldman, Lauren Imhoff, MiKayla Beatty, Jolee Walker, Claire Jaeger, Trinity Dalton, Bergen Dalton, and Frankie Johnson.



The Keota Jr. High School Chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards. Pictured above, from left to right, are: (back row) Conner Woltering, Sam Sieren, Max Johnson, Bryce Greiner, Carson Sprouse, Keenan Schooley, Grant Garman, Brady Duwa, Wyatt Sieren, Sky Weber, Jenna Jaeger, Makenzie Jackson, Rochelle Gutierrez, Josh Morataya; (middle) Cullen Starbuck, Lexi Purkeypile, Riley Hahn, AJ Sheetz, Luke Hammen, Tucker McDonald, Taylor Kindred, Lindsey Imhoff, Paige Minard, Callie McNurlen, Anthony Westendorf, Dakota Detweiler; (front) Avery Ackerman-Axume, Colten Clarahan, Jayden Lawson, Jaysin Erhart, Jaydin Benford, Vincent Litt, Alex Johnson, Patrick Clarahan, Drew Sieren, and Colton Rauch.



The Keota Jr. High School Band is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards. Pictured above, from left to right, are: (back row) AJ Sheetz, Cullen Starbuck, Dakota Detweiler, Rochelle Gutierrez; (middle) Jayden Lawson, Avery Ackerman-Axume, Colten Clarahan, Carson Sprouse; (front) Anthony Westendorf, Callie McNurlen, Sky Weber, Taylor Kindred, and Grant Garman.



The Keota High School Band is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards. Pictured above, from left to right, are: (back) Ty Sieren, Nolan Verstraete, Olin Walker, Ben Shemanski, Marty Baker, Avery Conrad, Trey Carlson, Riley Conrad, Jarrod Keller, Koltan Strand, Addison Sprouse; (R2) Raigan Sprouse, Jaydin Boer, Jonny Flanagan, Turner Klein, Grace McHugh, Dylan Burgdorf, Matthew Hyman, Tyler Waterhouse, Jolee Walker; (R3) Cooper Sieren, Austin Waterhouse, Justin Moeller, Sam Menke, Taylor Conrad, Lexi Black, Carly Jaeger, Bailey Baumert; (front) Maddy Johnson, Anna Ackerman-Axume, Bergen Dalton, Jillian Schulte, Anna Duwa, and Frankie Johnson.



EagleRock! is under the direction of Mrs. Jane Edwards. Pictured above, from left to right, are: (back) Taylor Conrad, Ben Shemanski, Marty Baker, Trey Carlson, Grace McHugh, Riley Conrad, Olin Walker, Cecil Sypherd, Anna Ackerman-Axume; (R2) Bianca Cardona, Justin Moeller, Raigan Sprouse, Lexi Black, Jaydin Boer, Ty Sieren, Cooper Sieren, Jolee Walker, June Welt Daing, Jillian Schulte; (R3) Anna Duwa, Bergen Dalton, Jaime Schulte, Maddie Johnson, Jordan Clemens, Mallory Woltering; (front) Maleah Miller and Frankie Johnson.

SPANISH PEN PAL PROJECT

Article submitted by Bailey Baumert and Taylor Conrad

In Spanish class, all levels 1-3, we are writing to students in the English class from Playa Flamenca in La Zenia, Alicante, Spain (the school that Sra. Farra used to teach at). Each of us has a specific pen-pal that we write back and forth to. So far, we have only written and received one letter from them. It takes weeks to get mail from Spain, but it's worth it! Spanish class can be hard and frustrating, but this

project is one that almost all of us are excited to be doing. We learn how to apply proper grammar and basic conversation structure. We also improve our knowledge of how people of other cultures live, while also becoming competent in a new means of communication. Spain is a very interesting place with lots of different cultures, and people from around the world. We can make friends doing this, too, and get to know what life is like on the other side of the globe.

GIRLS BASKETBALL UNDERWAY

BY JACE UPHOLD

The 2016 Girl's Basketball Season is underway. The girls have had three games so far, facing off against The Huskies of Highland, the Lone Tree Lions, and the Belle Plaine Plainsmen. In the first matchup against the Huskies, the Eagles fell short of the win 7-55. Erin Chalupa scored a three point field goal to start off the game and Addison Sprouse added on another four points to combine for seven. As a team, the lady Eagles got 20 defensive rebounds and 3 offensive rebounds to combine for 23 total rebounds. In the next game for the Eagles, they faced the Lone Tree Lions. This one was looking to be close after the first quarter, when it was 3 to 5. But after the second quarter, the Lions outscored the Eagles 20 to 1 to grab an early 25 to 4 lead. In the end the Eagles fell 14 to 41. In this game, Erin Chalupa racked up 6 points to lead the team, while Addison Sprouse put up another 4 points. The next game for the Eagles was the matchup against the Belle Plaine Plainsmen, where the Eagles fell 43 to 21. After the first half of this game, it looked to be a good chance for the first win for the lady Eagles with the score at 12 to 14, Eagles behind. After the third quarter however, chances got slim for the Eagles as the Plainsmen outscored the Eagles 20 to 2 and ultimately won 43 to 21. Next up for the Lady Eagles are the Tri-County Trojans in Thornburg.

We wish the Lady Eagles the best of luck the rest of the year.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

BY JACOB WICKENKAMP



This week's Athlete of the Week is Hunter Wilson. Hunter is a starting guard for the Keota Eagles. Hunter put up a crazy 29

points in the opening game of the season against Lone Tree. This year, Hunter is most looking forward to winning. His motto is "to win you have to score more than the other team."

Hunter's favorite thing about basketball is "putting the ball in the basket and not over the backboard." Hunter's ultimate goal this year is winning more games than any other team. The funniest moment of the year so far for Hunter was seeing Jace get "posterized."

Let's all wish Hunter the best of luck the rest of the year.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

BY AVERY CONRAD

WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS?

MR. STOUT
STAFF



A NEW TRUCK OR SPORTS CAR.

ANTHONY CAMPBELL
12TH



A BOW SO I CAN SHOOT DEER.

COLE BRENNEMAN
11TH



MUCK BOOTS TO CHORE MY COWS WITH.

DAVID AMOS
10TH



\$100, SO I CAN SPEND IT.

JAIME SCHULTE
9TH



SHOES, BECAUSE THEY'RE SHOES

JOSH MORATAYA
8TH



A \$3,000,000 HOUSE, BECAUSE WHY NOT

MAKENZIE JACKSON
7TH



A BEAN BAG CHAIR FOR MY ROOM, BECAUSE I NEED SOMETHING TO SIT ON