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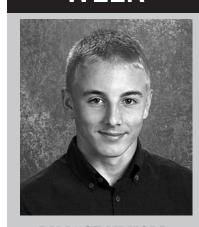


# THE EAGLE'S WING



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# HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



BY JACE UPHOLD

This week's Athlete of the Week is Tristan Sypherd. Tristan is a sophomore at Keota and plays for the Sigourney-Keota Cobras. Tristan plays at cornerback and running back for the Cobras. This is Tristan's second year playing running back, and his first year at cornerback. When asked what he wanted to improve on this season, Tristan said, "Playing cornerback, because this is my first year playing it." This year, Tristan says he is most looking forward to playing in the dome. Tristan said his ultimate achievement in this sport would be to letter. Tristan's favorite part about this sport is taking his aggression out on other people and having fun. A motto that Tristan likes to use when playing this sport is "no pain no gain."

#### STUDENT SECTION GETS FIRED UP FOR VOLLEYBALL



The student section has been showing their support for the volleyball team by selecting themes for each home game and dressing up according to that theme. The student section is pictured above decked out in their "America" gear for the home game against English Valley on Tuesday, September 20th. The support must have helped, as the Varsity came out with a win that night, defeating EV 3-1.





Photos by Kylea Tinnes (Left) The Varsity girls celebrate after a point. (Above) The home crowd gets fired up for the big win over EV on Sept. 20.

**CROSS COUNTRY TEAM IS MAKING STRIDES** 

# **JUNIOR HIGH** ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



BY JACOB WICKENKAMP

This week's Junior High Athlete of the Week is Patrick Clarahan. Patrick is on the Junior High SK football team. His main position is wingback. What Patrick is most looking forward to this season is "anything besides injuries and losing games." When it comes to improving, Patrick is looking to improve his running game. His ultimate achievement would be having an undefeated season. His favorite part is being able to hit people and saying is "shoot bud."



Photo by Kylea Tinnes Jason Ree, senior, gives it his all at the Washington meet on Tuesday, September 27.



Photo by Batterson Photography The 2016 Cross Country Team includes (L to R, B to F): Ty Sieren, Turner Klein, Logan Sieren, Coach Tanner McClenahan, Jayden Lawson, Laurie Amos, and Cullen Starbuck. (Not pictured: Jason Ree)



Photos by Kylea Tinnes Logan Sieren (top) and Turner Klein (bottom) push to finish strong in Washington on Sept. 27.

### **MEET SENORA PARRA MENDEZ**

#### BY BAYLEI MCCLELLAND I had the opportunity to sit down with Senora Josefa Parra Mendez, the new Spanish teacher. She teaches Spanish I, II, and III and hopes to



education in Spanish. Senora Parra Mendez came here to lowa from Spain as part of a Spanish teacher's visitor group. She had no knowledge of Keota before she came here, but says she's glad this is where she ended up. When asked what her favorite part of Keota is, she said that she liked the quietness and the closeness to

have more students continue their

lowa City. She is married and has two daughters. They are 24 and 26 and both currently live in London. Senora Parra Mendez said that she has only taught at a high school level and has her Master's degree as well as degrees in Foreign Language and English.

l asked her how she would describe herself in school, and she said that she was passionate and she always tried to do things with a passionate attitude about life. When asked what she was most excited for this year, she responded by saying she would love to travel and use this opportunity to learn more about the U.S. When asked what she would do with a million dollars she said, "I couldn't imagine my life without work," and that she would continue to work, but just not as a teacher. She would start her own business and travel.

lasked her what the scariest part of coming to a new country was, and she quickly said that she wasn't scared at all. She says that she was much more excited than anything and that many people accepted her. I had a great time talking to Senora Parra Mendez and we can't wait to see all the great things she does this year!

## **NEW STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: MEET ASHLYN ROSS**



BY AVERY CONRAD

Recently I had the opportunity to sit down with new student, Ashlyn Ross. Ashlyn recently came here from Little Falls, MN and is in the eighth grade. Ashlyn has two younger siblings, Lacy and Dustin Ross. She's not currently in any sports, but is thinking about going out for Cross Country her freshman year.

A couple of Ashlyn's favorite things are video games and dogs. She loves dogs so much that her dream job would be to own a pet store, so she could spend all day with animals. Ashlyn's favorite class this year so far is Art, because she loves learning more about one of her favorite hobbies. I asked Ashlyn to describe herself in three words and she said, "shy, caring, and protective."

When asked if anything was different about Keota than her old school, Ashlyn said, "the lunch room, because my old lunch room was never separated by classes." She said that everyone could sit wherever they wanted to. So far, Ashlyn says that she's enjoying the Keota atmosphere. We are looking forward to seeing her around this 2016-2017 school year.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK BY BAYLEI MCCLELLAND WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE HALLOWEEN CANDY?

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REESE'S PUMPKINS!

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