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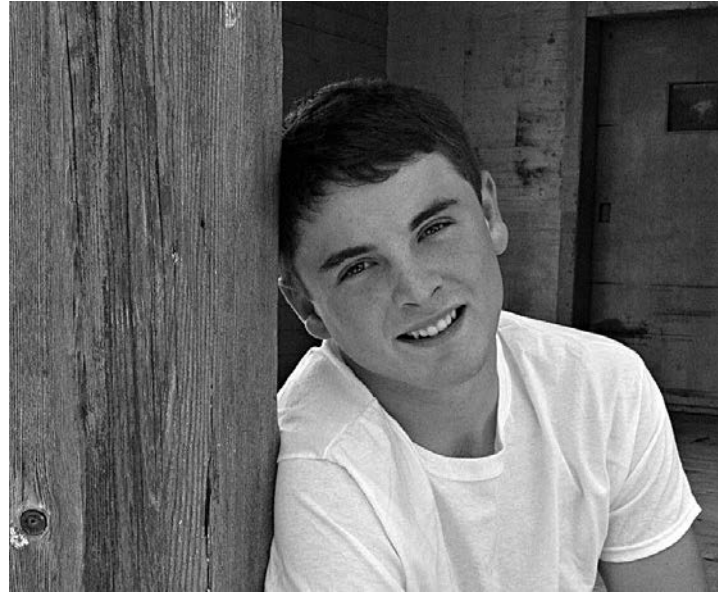
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## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

### JD is jumping into his future



By COOPER SIEREN

Jared Daniel Stout (also known as JD) was born on November 5, 2001. His parents are Dan and Lori Stout and his siblings are Cole, Sawyer, and Keegan. JD's favorite childhood memory was being introduced to Dakota McCombs because "he is kewl." His favorite elementary school teacher is Mr. Hill because he thought he was

fun. JD loves to go to Lake Lacey with his family every year. He admires his oldest brother, Cole, for being an entrepreneur and owning his own business. When JD was little, he wanted to be an NBA All-Star when he grew up. His proudest accomplishments are having the school's career record in points, three point record, and

season points record. JD is involved in basketball, football, track, baseball, Student Council, and National Honor Society. He enjoys basketball and football the most because they are very fun for him.

JD is currently undecided on a school and major, but he is pretty sure he doesn't want to work at the sawmill and stack boards for the rest of his life. The three things JD wants to accomplish in his life are to get a good job, make "bank," and be happy. His qualities that will help him accomplish these goals are that he is hard-working and determined.

JD's favorite elementary school memory was watching Sam Sieren tackle Connie Baker during recess on accident. So far in his high school career, his favorite memory is any day spent with Tarek (Luke Hammen). JD thinks the class that has prepared him the most for life is Personal Finance with Mr. Nederhoff. JD thinks that Keota has many more opportunities for kids to do what they want than most other schools.

JD will miss seeing his friends at school every day when he graduates. Three words that JD thinks describe him the most are athletic, smart, and nice. After he graduates, he hopes people remember him as a good guy. When Jamie Schulte was asked what she would miss the most about JD, she replied that she would miss JD's charismatic ability to lighten the mood if things are getting tense during class.

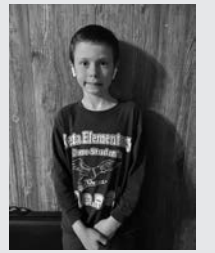
JD has no regrets about what he has done in high school and he wouldn't change a thing if he could. His advice for upcoming seniors is "Enjoy every moment because it goes by fast."

We wish JD the best of luck for his upcoming years!



## KEOTA ELEMENTARY SPOTLIGHT

By MIKAYLA BEATTY



Memphis Allan Anderson is the son of Terri and Jenny Beatty and Jason Beatty. He is in Mrs. James fourth grade class and is 11 years old. Memphis came to Keota in kindergarten. Memphis is one of seven siblings, with two sisters: Mikayla (17) and Catherine (8). He also has four brothers: Dustin (21), Quintin (20), Jaydin (17), and Jayden (17). His favorite part of the school day is recess and PE, because he thinks it is very fun and he can play with his friends. His favorite thing to do during recess is play football with his friends. His favorite subject in school is math, because he thinks that it is fun. However, his least favorite subject in school is art, because he thinks that it is boring. When he grows up he wants to play video games. His favorite thing to do after school is play on his phone, Xbox, or play at the park. Congratulations to Memphis for being this week's Elementary Spotlight!

## NEW STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

By JORDAN HAMMEN



This week's new student spotlight is about sophomore Jared Shea Adams. Jared started coming to Keota High School at the end of January and his favorite thing about it so far is the people. He has two brothers and three sisters. Some of his interests include video games, anime, Renaissance fair, cosplay, and working out.

Jared previously attended Odyssey Online Charter School, located in Las Vegas. His favorite class at KHS so far is World Political Theory because he thinks it's very interesting. If Jared could pick any job, he said he would be a landlord because "you get monthly paychecks if you know what you are doing."

Jared says that one interesting fact about him is how weird he is around the people he trusts. The person who knows him best at Keota High School is Jocelyn Purkeypile. Jared says Keota is different from his last school because it is in person and he gets to see people daily.

Two words Jared would use to describe himself include "psychotic" and "fun" once you get to know him. One thing Jared wants other people to know is that you can ask him anything and he will answer truthfully. He is not afraid to tell people about himself.

We are glad to welcome Jared to Keota and we wish him the best of luck!

## Keota FFA Week a success



FFA students brought in tractors and lined them up in the circle drive for Tractor Day on Friday, Feb., 28.



FFA students prepare for the Keota Elementary Reading Relay during National FFA Week. Pictured from left to right are: (back row) Cooper Sieren, Nolan Verstraete, Colten Clarahan, Carson Sprouse, Conner Woltering, Anthony Westendorf; (front) Jordan Hammen, Lauren Sieren, Jaime Schulte, and Taylor Garman.

By TRINITY DALTON

During the week of Feb. 23-28, FFA Members participated in a National FFA Week.

On Tuesday they held a Hats for Hunger drive and raised 150 non-perishable food items for the local pantry. At the beginning of the day on Tuesday the members read books to the kids in the elementary. On Wednesday, they hosted a faculty breakfast for staff of Keota Community School District. At this breakfast

they served pancakes with sausage, bacon and eggs, and they offered orange and apple juice, milk, and coffee to support their teachers and staff. On the final day of FFA Week, students brought their tractors, and at lunchtime, they surprised the elementary with a tractor parade around the circle drive.

The week was a successful celebration of FFA students and all they do for our school and the community.

## Coronavirus pandemic takes the nation by storm

By MIKAYLA BEATTY

*Editor's Note: Since this article was written, all schools in Iowa have closed, along with most other businesses. As of Sunday, March 29, Iowa health officials had confirmed 336 positive cases of coronavirus and four deaths in the state. Nationwide, there were 122,653 cases and 2,112 deaths. Social distancing guidelines have been issued to limit gatherings to less than 10 people.*

MARCH 11, 2020 - The coronavirus has been something that is being taken very seriously worldwide. This has caused many people around the world to be in an uproar. The pandemic began in China, then moved on to surrounding countries and then on to the United States. There have been a total of 1,215 cases of coronavirus confirmed in the U.S. total, with a total of 14 confirmed cases in Iowa alone. This outbreak has caused many to act in a state of panic, including the cancellations of different tournaments and sporting events across the country. Many of the colleges and universities in Iowa have announced that they will be transferring students to online classes due to the upcoming spring break. The first individual to be treated for the coronavirus in Iowa was being treated at the University of Iowa Hospital. So far in there have been 41 deaths in the U.S., mostly among the elderly population and those with underlying health conditions. Social distancing is being encouraged and many large gatherings have already been cancelled.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

By TAYLOR 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 younger. Let's see how their responses have changed over the years...

#### JAYDIN BOER

Q: How will you spend your Easter weekend?

8th:

A: "I'll spend the day with family and have a family dinner."



12th:

A: "I'll go on an egg hunt with my family."



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**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**  
By NOLAN VERSTRAETE  
What is your favorite Easter family tradition?

MS. BRIES STAFF



"Going on an Easter egg hunt as a kid with the entire family."

ADDISON SWANSON 12<sup>TH</sup>



"Waking up in the morning and looking for our hidden Easter baskets."

BRADY DUWA 11<sup>TH</sup>



"Being with family."

DREW SIEREN 10<sup>TH</sup>



"Going to church."

JOCELYN PURKEYPILE 9<sup>TH</sup>



"Painting Easter eggs."

TANNER WATERHOUSE 8<sup>TH</sup>



"Going on an Easter egg hunt."

JACE CHALUPA 7<sup>TH</sup>



"Eating food."