



THE EAGLE'S WING

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KHS BLOOD DRIVE IS A SUCCESS

By AVERIY ACKERMAN-AXUME

Keota High School hosted a blood drive for the Mississippi Regional Blood Center on Thursday, April 1. The goal to beat was 42 whole bloods and four double reds. Forty-one people were scheduled to donate. There were also nine people that walked in and donated. Six people did not show up, and there were two deferrals. By the end of the day, the Mississippi Regional Blood Center had collected 46 whole bloods, two double reds, and one plasma. In total, there were 50 units of blood and one plasma unit collected.

Jenny Hobbs, Keota science teacher and organizer of the annual event, said, "It was a great day at the Blood Drive. We had many community members come in and donate. There were also several first-time donors. We did have a few reactions. A few donors were pale and some turned green. However, our donors were strong-willed and they bounced back fast. Of course, afterward, the donors were happy to rest, eat and drink. We beat our goal, which is always rewarding because that means we saved more lives. Thank you to everyone who donated and helped make this possible."

WHIP OF THE WEEK



By GRANT GARMAN

This week's Whip of the Week is Taylor Garman and her 2007 Pontiac Grand Prix. Taylor's Pontiac is a 3.1 liter engine with 150,000 miles on it. The color of the car is a gold exterior with a tan interior. The Pontiac gets good gas mileage at 25 miles per gallon, and with gas prices high this is a pretty good car. When you see Taylor driving the car, the radio is always cranked up and is always on 99.7 or 102.9. Taylor got the car three years ago from her Aunt Gina for \$3,500 and it was passed down by her older brother.

Taylor has not had too many good memories in this car, but unfortunately she has had tons of bad ones. She has hit the garage door many times, gone in a ditch, got stuck in the driveway twice, and has hit many other objects. Luckily, traveling to school and back is her farthest destination. The person who travels with Taylor the most is her older brother Grant, who is brave enough to ride with her! Taylor's favorite asset about her car is her pink sparkly steering wheel and how she likes to decorate her; and yes, if Taylor could name her car she would name it "Goldie" because she is gold. So if you see Taylor on the road, be prepared and always expect the unexpected.

KHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Patrick's Plan for Success



By BRADY DUWA

Patrick Michael Clarahan, or "Patty" as his friends call him, was born February 21, 2003, to Neil and Donita Clarahan. Patrick was the first child, and is now the older brother to three younger sisters: Nicole, Kimberly, and Madison. Patrick has had a very eventful time in high school and has been involved in many activities throughout his four years as an Eagle.

As a kid, Patrick always enjoyed being outside, helping on the farm, and playing

sports with his friends. He even wanted to become a professional athlete when he grew up.

Patrick said that his favorite childhood memory is messing around in the forest with his friends because they would drive four-wheelers, build forts, and stay up late telling stories and jokes. Patrick said his favorite elementary teacher was Mrs. Lyle because her class was fun. Patrick also said PE was his favorite class because he liked being active, playing sports, and being outside with his friends.

As he grew up, Patrick began to enjoy watching TV and playing video games when he wasn't working with his dad at Clarahan Farms. One of Patrick's favorite family memories is the Clarahan Bull Sale because he enjoys setting up and running the auction. Today Patrick still works with his dad and grandpa at the farm, where he says his main responsibilities are to "do whatever grandpa says." Patrick admires his parents'

hard work and is proud that both parents help feed and teach America.

Throughout his time in high school, Patrick has been involved in basketball, baseball, football, 4H, FFA, NHS, golf, track, speech, and CYM. Patrick enjoyed baseball and speech the most, and he is most proud of becoming a second team all conference outfielder, getting into NHS, and being a conference champion in basketball.

After high school, Patrick plans on attending Tulsa Welding School because he enjoys welding and they have a great program. Patrick says that his home and work responsibilities have taught him to work hard, because it pays off. Patrick says the thing he will miss most about Keota is playing sports with his friends.

After graduating, Patrick hopes to be remembered as a funny and chill kind of guy. Some goals Patrick hopes to achieve are to have a family, get a good job, and enjoy living every day. Patrick

believes he possesses good qualities to help him reach these goals, such as his willingness to work hard. Patrick says he wouldn't change anything about his high school experience because "it was a blast for me." Long time friends and teammates Colten Clarahan and Carson Sprouse said "Patrick is always a good time and fun to hang out with too." Patrick's advice to future KHS students is to have fun with the time you have in high school because it goes by way too fast.

The Eagle's Wing staff would like to wish Patrick the best of luck with his future plans.



10 FACTS ABOUT KHS SENIOR AVERIY ACKERMAN



By LEXI PURKEYPILE

#1 Averi's favorite drink of all time is Dr. Pepper. A Dr. Pepper a day keeps the doctor away...or was it an apple?

#2 Electroswing is Averi's favorite type of music to listen to! Modern swing, jazz, and pop music combined in one create legendary, explosive beats!

#3 1, 2, 3, 4, 5! That's how many siblings Averi has!

#4 Averi's most preferred season would have to be fall because "it's not too cold and the leaves are very colorful!" Not to mention the Pumpkin Spice Lattes and the overabundance of plaid wear... everywhere.

#5 Drawing and animating are two hobbies that Averi could never ever give up even if she tried. The artistic talent is strong within this one!

#6 Once upon a time, Averi wrote her own book/ short story about an Emerald Queen who did what she wanted, when, why, and how she wanted.

#7 As a member of Group Improv, Averi is especially talented with the accents of her characters. Her favorite accent to use is her French accent. Mama Mia that's a spicy order of talento!

#8 The dream job Averi wants is to be an animator.

#9 Now, this next fact might be startling to some, but as long as everyone remains calm, everything will be somewhat okay, because Averi's favorite color is... blue.

#10 For the final fact about Averi, the interviewer comprised a special question for Miss Ackerman and it was answered. Averi's favorite food is cheese. She likes anything cheesy, from string cheese all the way to pretty much any cheesy product, this girl loves her cheese!

Ag Construction Class is building big this year



Pictured is a sneak peek of the Ag Construction class's future gazebo that they have been building during class this semester.

By LEXI PURKEYPILE

The students of the Ag Construction class are building a gazebo for their class project this year. This is being built for one of the student's relatives.

The class came together and formed a plan for how they would approach the big project. Mr. Jamison, the instructor, bought the materials needed and the class sorted and organized all of the materials to make it easier for them to find and start the assembling and sawing processes. Splitting

into groups of three or four, the students broke apart to complete assembling, sawing, and separation/measuring tasks. Once the sawing was complete and the measurements were accurate and ready, the groups came together to start creating a structurally sound foundation for the future gazebo by installing several planks along the inside of the current wooden square.

They finished the foundation by adding spiral-style wooden plank flooring and attaching the floorboards



This picture shows the current part of the project the Ag Construction students are working on, which is installing the railing of the gazebo.

where the grain of each floorboard was perpendicular to the next. The students then started to attach seven support beams to the edges and corners of the gazebo, while also attaching connecting beams across the tops of the future gazebo for better support for the roof that will later be attached to the gazebo.

Finally, the students of the Ag Construction class are working on installing the railing for the gazebo, as seen above in the picture on the right. The construction class is working hard to

make their fellow community member happy and create a beautiful wood-working piece.

Mr. Jamison is the ag teacher for Keota School District and has taught the Ag Construction classes for three years. The students who are building this outstanding gazebo are seniors Brady Duwa, Callie McNurlen, Jenna Jaeger, Max Johnson, Alexia Purkeypille, Carson Sprouse, Riley Hahn, and Ashlyn Ross. The juniors are Dakota Detweiler, Anthony Westendorf, and Drew Sieren.

KHS Girls Track Team

By LEXI PURKEYPILE



Pictured above is the 2021 Keota Girls Track team. From left to right, they are: Maddie Scott, Taylor Garman, and Nicole Clarahan. The girls track team is coached by Dan Stout.

KHS Boys Track Team

By LEXI PURKEYPILE



Pictured above is the 2021 Keota Boys Track team. From left to right, they are: (back row) Dakota Hammen, Brady Duwa, Brandon Greiner, Wyatt Sieren; (front row) Sam Sieren, Ashton Thomas, and Noah Fisher. The boys track team is coached by Dan Stout.

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Question of the Week: "How many chickens would it take to take down an elephant?" By Averi Ackerman-Axume

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| | Mrs. Conrad Staff | | Cullen Starbuck 12th | | Colten Clarahan 11th | | Aiden Conrad 10th | | Ryan Lawson 9th | | Isaac Striegel 8th | | Emily Mahan 7th |
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