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STANBERRY R-II SCHOOL

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Front row: Avery Calhoun, Lane McGinley, Hudson Groomer, Kaitlin Porterfield, coach Kristi Porterfield. Back row: Thor Cameron, Wyatt Taylor, Emmett Meyer. Not pictured: Lucian Simmerman.

played a good match against Pattonsburg and won 200-40. After that match, Stanberry played King City. The team lost that match 100-300. They played their first JV match against King City; however, it was only a half, and they tied 50-50. When Wyatt Taylor was asked what his favorite part of being on the scholar bowl team is, he responded, "My favorite part of being on the scholar bowl team is getting the opportunity to show off

my knowledge on a team that is all laughs and business. The team overall has a good synergy, and we work together to cover a large variety of knowledge, from sports and history to the most random things, like what you use to eat soup." The team's next few meets are away, and then they are back at Stanberry for districts.

We wish the team luck on the rest of their meets to come!

High School Scholar Bowl

By Kaitlin Porterfield
Staff Reporter



It's time for high school scholar bowl season again. This year, the team is composed of 7 members. The team members include senior Wyatt Taylor, sophomores Hudson Groomer, Kaitlin Porterfield, Avery Calhoun, and Emmett Meyer, and freshmen Lane McGinley and Thor Cameron. The team is coached by Mrs. Kristi Porterfield. When Mrs. Porterfield was asked what her goals are for the season, she answered, "Each team member has something to contribute, and they all complement each other well. My goal is

for them to recognize their individual strengths to contribute to the overall success of the team."

The team's first meet was Monday, March 10th, at Worth County. At this meet, the team played Worth County and St. Joe Christian. The team lost their first match against St. Joe Christian with a score of 120 to 430. The team played Worth County later that night and had a closer match but still lost with a score of 170 to 230. Their second meet was a home one on Monday, March 17th. There, they played King City and Pattonsburg. Stanberry

JH/HS Second Quarter Honor Roll

Regular Honor Roll

7th Grade: Noah Beggs, Brantly Donovan, Emilee Groven, Jared Henggeler, Carter Mattson, Blaine Schieber, Madelyn Sidwell, Trevor Strough

8th Grade: Jaxon Baker, Zoey Chambers, Addison Graham, Benton Gregory, Alexa Horne, Emily Santa Cruz, Katelyn Shisler, Sam Simbro, Kaitlyn Van Draska, Kiara Willoughby, Madison Wilmes

9th Grade: Kynzee Adcock, Ellie Dias, Blanche Eckard, Parker Evans, Lane McGinley, Trinity Regalado, Alyssa Wallace

10th Grade: Alana Evans, Aiden Graham, Emmett Meyer, Dalton Taylor

11th Grade: Olivia Blessing, Miley Davis, Evan Gregory, Lindsey Hailey, Katie Libby, Ally Santa Cruz, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Jaren Stoll, Hayden Swan, Dani Van Draska

12th Grade: Cooper Adcock, Brody Carroll, Maranda Evans, Decker Heyde, Marli Hilton, Jencie James, Colby McQueen, Calvin Smithson, Hannah Stevens, Devin Strawhacker, Damien Webb, Treston Williams, Jordyn Wright

High Honor Roll

7th Grade: Quincy Cameron, Jaicee McGinley, Emily McMillan, Kayla McQuinn, Charlotte Schultz

8th Grade: Baylee Albright, Kaleb Evans, Harper Heyde, Charlotte Jennings, Quinn Jensen, Kaci Porterfield, Kylee Runde

9th Grade: Hannah McMillan, Olivia McQuinn

10th Grade: Avery Calhoun, Hudson Groomer, Jax Heyde, Kaitlin Porterfield, Brooke Robinson

11th Grade: Eva Cameron, Hannah McQuinn, Cortney Merrigan, Vincent Smithson

12th Grade: Gabe Simbro, Paige Woods

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Students enjoy the yearly trip to the Rubidoux Theater in St. Joe, this year to watch *Shrek the Musical*.

Elementary Students Enjoy *Shrek* at the Roubidoux

By Hannah Stevens
Staff Reporter

On March 4th, the elementary staff and students attended *Shrek the Musical*. The musical was put together by the Roubidoux Resident Theater and held at the Historic Missouri Theater in downtown Saint Joseph, Missouri.

The play featured all of

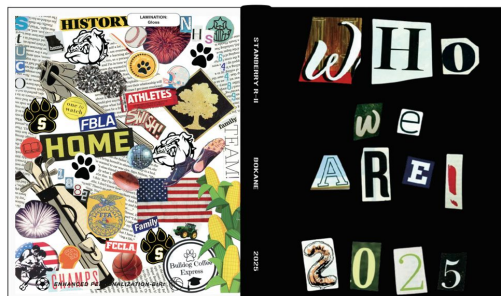
the characters from *Shrek*, complete with their colors and everything. The singing was amazing and mind-blowing, and the characters' wit and humor kept everyone on the edge of their seats.

Mrs. Graham commented, "The students enjoyed the *Shrek* musical

performance. They were excited that they had floor seats this year. Thank you to the PTO for allowing our students to have this opportunity."

As you can see, the trip to the theater was yet another success and was enjoyed by both the students and the staff

members. We can't wait to see what play the students will get to watch next year.



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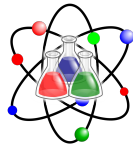
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Junior high and high school Science Olympiad participants. Front row: Gabriella Regalado, Kiara Willoughby, Alexa Horne, Blanche Eckard, Charlotte Schultz, Emily Santa Cruz. Middle row: Cayleigh Spaulding, Quinn Heyde, Macie Gibson, Kenzi Santa Cruz. Back row: Wyatt Taylor, Parker Evans, Jake Holtzclaw, Brant Jensen, Brenden Ledford, Jaxon Baker. Not pictured: Olivia McQuinn, Tasha Stoll, Justin Affuso, Kaitlyn Van Draska.

Science Olympiad

By Hannah Stevens
Staff Reporter



Regional Science Olympiad was held February 22nd at Northwest Missouri State University. This year, there were many events with numerous opportunities to learn new things. High school science teacher Mrs. Roxanne Hoover coaches the high school team, which consists of one sophomore, Cayleigh Spaulding; juniors Ally Santa Cruz, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Katie Libby, and Macie Gibson; and seniors Payton Williams and

Wyatt Taylor. Junior high science teacher Mrs. Brittney McClurg coaches the junior high team, which consists of seventh graders Gabriella Regalado, Quinn Heyde, and Kayla McQuinn; eighth graders Jaxon Baker, Alexa Horne, Brenden Ledford, Kayla McQuinn, Kylee Runde, Emily Santa Cruz, Charlotte Schultz, Kaitlyn Van Draska, and Kiara Willoughby; and freshmen Justin Affuso, Blanche Eckard, Parker Evans, Jake Holtzclaw,

Brant Jensen, Olivia McQuinn, and Tasha Stoll.

The junior high team overall did really well. Tasha and Olivia placed 2nd in Crimebusters, while Kylee and Kayla placed 4th. In Codebusters, Kaitlyn, Emily, and Alexa placed 3rd. Oliva and Blanche competed in Disease Detectives, placing 3rd. Dynamic Planet was competed in by Jaxon and Brendon, and they walked away with 2nd place. Two groups competed in Fossils, Kiara and Jaxon placing 3rd and Charlotte and Quinn placing 5th. Jake and Justin placed 3rd in Helicopter. 3rd place in Metric Mastery was taken by Kaitlyn and Brenden. Gabriella competed in Potions and Poisons taking 3rd, place. Road Scholar, including Tasha and Kiara, walked away with 3rd place. Parker and Brant competed in Tower placing 3rd and wrapping up the junior high events in Write It, Do It, Emily and Kaitlyn took home 3rd. Mrs. McClurg stated, "Science Olympiad has given students the opportunity to explore the field of science by experimenting and

researching. This event has helped students branch out in topics of their choosing. Events include building structurally sound devices, testing in-depth knowledge about a wide range of topics, and actively using their chemistry skills to analyze substances and their reactions. I have enjoyed working with my students and engaging their curiosity about science. Watching the growth in their work ethic and determination has been my favorite part! I am looking forward to being their coach again next year!"

The high school team kicked it off with a 1st place, state qualifying finish for Wyatt and Kenzi in Ecology. Payton and Ally took home 4th in Entomology. In Fossils, Katie and Kenzi placed 2nd. Helicopter had another 1st place, state qualifying finish for Wyatt and Macie. Macie and Wyatt also competed in Material Science placing 3rd. Concluding the events, Cayleigh and Wyatt placed 3rd in Optics. Congratulations to Wyatt, Kenzi, and Macie for qualifying for state on April 26th, best of luck!



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February character trait winners are front row: Paige Campbell, Kaitlin Porterfield, Brooke Robinson, Hannah McQuinn, Dalton Taylor, Blake Mercer, Emilee Groven. Back row: Charlotte Jennings, Tasha Stoll, Olivia Blessing, Delilah Libby, Jared Henggeler, Colby McQueen, Miguel Leon, Justin Affuso.

February Character Trait: Honesty

By Kaitlin Porterfield
Staff Reporter



February's character trait was honesty. During the month of February students tried very hard to follow this character trait. Every Tuesday the junior high and high school students had lessons on honesty as well. At the end of the month the students then decided who in their classes best showed honesty.

The senior class chose Colby McQueen, Paige Campbell, and Wyatt Taylor. Colby demonstrates honesty whether it be on the football field, basketball court, or in the classroom building trust with teammates, coaches, and teachers alike, sometimes to a fault. He shows integrity by owning up to mistakes during practice and games, striving to improve through hard work rather than shortcuts. In his academic work, Colby maintains a commitment to

doing his best, ensuring his success is earned through genuine effort and dedication. Congratulations, Colby! Paige is good at doing the right thing even when it is hard. She has a way of saying what she thinks without it being mean or hurting others' feelings. Congratulations to Paige! Our final senior Wyatt, is always honest, almost to a fault, but you know that when something is asked to him or about him that you are getting an honest answer. He is always quick to respond and makes sure classmates and friends are heard. Congratulations, Wyatt!

The juniors decided on Olivia Blessing and Hannah McQuinn. Olivia is an honest person, but she's never honest in a mean way. She will tell the truth and give her opinions in a way that is fair and treats the

other person or people with respect and dignity. Our other junior, Hannah, is honest and diligent with her school work. She works hard at being honest but always trying to make it positive. Congratulations, Olivia and Hannah!

The sophomores picked Dalton Taylor, Brooke Robinson, and Kaitlin Porterfield. Dalton is a great example of honesty. Even when being honest is hard, you can rely on Dalton to tell the truth and be fair. He is not afraid to own up to any mistakes he may make, and he is someone who you can trust. Brooke always steps up and helps others. She always puts others before herself. When someone is down, whether it is a student or teacher, she always asks them how she can help them. You will never see Brooke without a smile on her face. She is a positive person. Everyone should strive to be more like Brooke. Kaitlin is honest because she tells people the truth even when it might be hard to hear. She is never rude about it, though. Kaitlin also keeps her peers honest by holding them accountable. Congrats, sophomore award winners!

The freshmen class was represented by Justin Affuso and Blake Mercer. Justin is honest in his academics and with his teachers. Even if there's a pretty good opportunity to get away with something he decides to be

the bigger person. Justin is honest about his homework assignments and whether or not he studied for his test. He was also honest when asked about an incident that happened that involved electrical tape. Blake is a very honest friend and student. He is always someone you can trust and is always wanting to do the right thing. He cannot tell a lie! He is always honest and upfront with everything that he does. Congrats, Justin and Blake!

The eighth grades chose Delilah Libby, Charlotte Jennings, Jaxon Baker, and Quinn Jensen. Delilah is usually pretty quiet, but when she does speak, you know you can trust what she says. She's always honest, even when it's tough or when it means admitting her own mistakes. More than that, however, she speaks her truth to peers and adults in a way that is kind and respectful. Charlotte is a beacon of honesty in our school. Whether she's engaging in class discussions or interacting with her peers, she speaks her mind with sincerity, even when the truth is difficult to share. Her friends admire her for her integrity, and teachers appreciate her candidness. Charlotte's genuine nature makes her a trusted confidante and a role model for those around her, proving that honesty truly is the best policy. Jaxon is
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February Character (from page 4)

the embodiment of authenticity, effortlessly blending honesty with a down-to-earth demeanor. Known for his straightforward approach, he speaks his mind with kindness and clarity, making those around him feel comfortable and valued. Jaxon's genuine nature fosters trust, whether he's chatting with friends or tackling tough subjects in class. His refreshing perspective reminds everyone that being real is not just about truthfulness, but also about connecting with others in a meaningful way. Quinn was the recipient because he always tells the truth, even in difficult situations. Quinn demonstrates integrity by taking responsibility for his actions and encouraging others to do the same. His commitment to honesty creates a trustworthy and respectful environment in our classroom. Congratulations to all the eighth grade award winners!

The seventh grade class picked Jared Henggeler, Miguel Leon, and Emilee

Groven. Jared can always be trusted to act with good intentions, and we appreciate his integrity and ability to apologize if he does make a mistake. We respect him as a classmate and know that he always does his best to act with honesty. Miguel is very trustworthy and honest. He might not always say a lot in class, but students and teachers can trust him to be honest. Congrats, Miguel! Emilee Groven is our character award winner for honesty. Even in hard situations, Emilee always tells the truth even if there will be consequences. Emilee has built a reputation to be trustful, so we never doubt that she is always telling the truth. Congratulations, Jared, Miguel, and Emilee!

A big congratulations to all of our nominees for February! The students picked excellent representatives for honesty. March's character trait is cooperation, and we can't wait to see who the students select!

Elementary Second Quarter Honor Roll

Regular Honor Roll

4th Grade: Quade Ellis, Raiden Atkison, Blake Rippetto, Izabell Holtzclaw, Gunner Newman, Juan Leon, Amelia Poff, Hunter Appley, Skylar Luke, Amelia Brooke, Wyatt Clayton, Karli Ginther, Olivia Pierce, Collin Tucker

5th Grade: Gwyneth Cameron, Olivia Jennings, Lincoln Lindner, Jase Adcock, Easton Fletchall, Abigail Jensen, Maddeline Page, Parker Runde, Paisley Schwebach, Jackson Varney, Delila Wilson

6th Grade: Hudson Hague, Lauren Henggeler, Blakely Hutchcraft, Landon Lynn, Paislee Schieber, Kasyn Redig, Kynnadi Schieber, Owen Shisler, Austin Sterkis, Gunner Edson, Lily Phipps, Tanner Runde, Sophia Taylor

Principal's Roll

4th Grade: Daysha Albright, Madi Redig, Jordyn Conover, Macoy Hilton, Lennox Horne, Chelsea Weatherd, Nathan Strough, Keine Vinzant, William Wiederholt, Madison Varney, Eli Horne, Lexi McGinley, Brooklyn McMillen, Jace Newman, Cora Poff, Breckin Schultz, Rose Schultz, Talon Sego, Molly Sidwell, Julian Slagle, Benjamin Steinhauser, Mackenzie Strough

5th Grade: Nova Chambers, Avaian Evans, Myles Evans, Kyler Newman, Tucker Runde, Timothy Steinhauser, Violet Strueby, Elli Wiederholt, Zayne Worley, Grayce Gade, Caroline Gillespie, Axton Henggeler, Brylie Luke, Trent Strough

6th Grade: Macie Baumli, Ryker Horne, Isaac Jensen, Sophia Sager, Trevin Smithson, Ruby Wright, Lexi Appley, Owen Dias, Waverly Groomer, Alex Holtzclaw, Ian Jensen, Brady McMillen

B.U.G (Bringing Up Grades)

5th Grade: Dane Slagle

6th Grade: Peyton James, Bella Rippetto, Declan Schultz

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Front row: Nova Chambers, Zayne Worley, Caroline Gillespie, Jackson Varney, Olivia Jennings, Abigail Jensen, Easton Fletchall, Dane Farnan, Grayce Gade. 2nd row: Mrs. Kristi Porterfield, Elli Wiederholt, Paisley Schwebach, Maddeline Page, Parker Runde, Violet Strueby, Axton Henggeler, Mrs. Shay Albright. 3rd row: Lincoln Lindner, Jasper Heyde, Laith Wallace, Jase Adcock, Avaian Evans, Timothy Steinhauser, Kyler Newman. Back row: Trent Strough, Delila Wilson, Tucker Runde, Glenn Sterkis, Brylie Luke, Myles Evans, Gwyneth Cameron Not Pictured: Amelia VanHorn

Fifth Grade Gears Up for Final Year of Elementary

By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter

5th Grade

The fifth graders have had a very busy year, and they've been rocking it. At the beginning of this year, they kicked off math and science by having the Potato Olympics. Apart from having the Potato Olympics in math, so far they have learned whole numbers, decimals, and fractions. Left to learn in math this year for them are quadrilaterals, volume, and graphing data. Science has been just as fun. Earlier this year, the fifth graders got to make tie-dye shirts by using film canister rockets. They also got to dissect owl pellets, build flood barriers, create snow plows using the Dash robots, and develop natural disaster villains that incorporate 3D printed objects. Mrs. Kristi Porterfield commented, "I have really enjoyed this group of fifth-grade

students. They are very creative and have really embraced all the projects based on learning this year. I look forward to seeing what we can accomplish in the fourth quarter!"

Students have also been very busy with reading and writing. They have completed several exciting reading projects this year. For each reading project, the students each pick his or her own book to read and then present on it. The students have had three reading projects, and the ways they presented these projects were through slideshows, dodecahedrons, and tri-fold displays. For their final project, each student will be creating his or her own book trailers!

In writing, the students have tackled a meaningful writing project each quarter.

Students have shared personal experiences that hold deep significance to them. By doing this, it has allowed them to not only reflect on these important moments in their lives but also to glimpse into their classmates' lives. On the other side of writing, they have been working on writing in cursive and diving into poetry. By doing so, it allows them to incorporate figurative language in their writing to bring it to life. Mrs. Shay Albright said, "I know I sound like a broken record saying that it has been a great year, but it has been another great year in fifth grade! No two children are alike, and I've loved seeing the unique strengths, personalities, and perspectives each student brings to the table. It's inspiring to watch them not only work together but also teach and support one another

as they grow as a team. As I say every year, I cannot wait to see all they accomplish in the future!"

The students have a lot to look forward to in the remainder of the year. They have their track and field day coming up, where all the students will get to compete in track events of their choice. After that, they will have MAP testing in science. Lastly, to finish off events for the year, they will have their field trip to Safety Acres and their end-of-the-year bash at the park.

As you can see, these students have been excelling so far. Our school is proud of all their hard work, and we are happy to have them as part of our Bulldog Family. Good luck to these students and the rest of their school year!

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Front row: Lane Ellis, Chandler Albright, Brantly Donovan, Jaicee McGinley, Blaine Schieber, Hummer Studer, Brenzlee Moffat, Quincy Cameron, Taylor Rogers. Middle row: Charlotte Schultz, Quinn Heyde, Trevor Strough, Carter Mattson, Noah Beggs, Grayson Wiederholt, Emilee Groven, Gabriella Regalado. Back row: Jared Hengeler, Miguel Leon Escamilla, Caiden Jensen, Emily McMillan, Harlan Eckard, Liam Wilson, Kayla McQuinn, Madelyn Sidwell

Seventh Grade Transitions to Junior High

By Lindsey Hailey
Staff Reporter

As the beginning of the 4th quarter starts, the seventh graders have been able to experience the change from elementary to middle school. Now that these students are in junior high, they have the opportunity to change classrooms and switch teachers. During the first semester, the seventh grade students had a career class in which they worked on career clusters, helping them figure out what career path they

wanted to pursue for their future.

As spring kicks off, so does their track season. For the class of 2030, this is new for them. In the past, they participated in a track and field day, which is held at the football field where they do relays just like in track. Seventh graders Madelyn Sidwell and Brenzlee Moffat tell us, "I like junior high better than elementary school; you get a lot more freedom and are allowed

to switch classes."

Overall, the seventh grade students are adjusting very well. Good luck to the class of 2030 for the remainder of the year!



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Chandler gets set for the next move.



Jared battles it out with a North Andrew opponent.

Fast and Furious JH Wrestling Season



By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter

This year was yet another successful year of junior high wrestling. Although it was a rather small team, they fought for all they had and gave 100% at every meet.

The junior high wrestling team consisted of eighth graders Kaleb Evans, Brodie Gibson, and Baylee Albright, and seventh graders Chandler Albright and Jared Henggeler. They were coached by Matt Stoll. The wrestling team practiced really hard for about a month and then had four meets scheduled in less than two weeks. Unfortunately, their meet in Tarkio was canceled due to bad weather. With that, they only had three meets for this season.

Kaleb Evans went through the season with six wins and only one loss.

Baylee Albright made it through the season with seven wins and one loss. When asked about how she felt about her last year of junior high wrestling, Baylee Albright said, "Pain is temporary; pride is forever."

Chandler Albright went through the season with no wins and seven losses; however, through the hard times, he continued to persevere and give every one of his matches his all.

Jared Henggeler made it through the season with four wins and two losses.

Brodie Gibson won one match and lost two; his season was cut short due to a broken nose, which is why he had fewer matches.

When asked what advice he would give to other wrestlers, Jared Henggeler said, "Just try your hardest, and everything will work out the way it's meant to be." As you can see, this group of wrestlers had a pretty good season, with more wins than losses.

Kaleb, Baylee, and Brodie will move on to high school wrestling next year if they stick with it, and Chandler and Jared will be the big dogs of junior high wrestling next year.

Good luck to these kids and their remaining years of wrestling.

Post Season Honors

SOFTBALL ACADEMIC ALL-STATE

The Softball team received Academic All-State as a team!

Individual Academic All-State

Marli Hilton
Josi Moffat
Brooke Robinson
Alana Evans
Alyssa Wallace



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Basketball Players Wrap Season



By Lindsey Hailey
Staff Reporter

The boys' basketball season wrapped up after losing to Rock Port in the second round of districts. Senior Colby McQueen was asked, "What will you miss most about basketball?" He replied, "Playing and the memories that we created." Coach Nick Groomer was asked, "What was your favorite part of the season?" He answered, "We were competitive in all the games we had." Congratulations to Colby McQueen, who received 1st Team All-Conference Unanimous.

With the girls' basketball season ending, there were many accomplishments throughout the season and lots of good memories. They upset King City in the King City tournament to win 3rd place. Senior Trista Lager commented on the season, "The bond I made with my teammates and the memories, along with the progress that was shown throughout the season." Congratulations to Trista for receiving All-Conference Honorable Mention, and to freshman Kynzee Adcock on receiving 1st Team All-Conference.

When asked about the team's biggest accomplishment this season and her most memorable moment, Coach Taylor Wendt replied, "We upset King City in the King City Tournament to win 3rd place. Earlier in the season, they beat us, so this was an accomplishment. We also upset Northeast Nodaway in districts to move on to the next round. I am very proud of the hard work the team put in throughout the summer and season. We made a lot of positive steps in the right direction, and I look forward to the growth we make this coming summer and into next season. We finished 5th in the conference, 3rd in the King City tournament, and had a first-round district win. Next year, we will look to finish at the top of the conference, place in all of the tournaments, and get into the District Championship. I think if the team puts the team first and works hard in the off-season, these are goals we can achieve." We wish all the seniors good luck in their future!

Gearing Up for Golf

By Kaitlin Porterfield
Staff Reporter



Boys' Golf season is starting up again, and this year the team is made up of 7 members. The team is composed of seniors Colby McQueen and Jordyn Wright, junior Evan Gregory, sophomores Aiden Graham, Hudson Groomer, and Cooper Spaulding, and freshman Lane McGinley. The team is coached by Mr. Nick Groomer. When Coach Groomer was asked what he wanted his team to accomplish this year, he replied, "Our goal is to be competitive at every meet. We have three returning lettermen who have the ability to be some of the best golfers in the area. I think with their leadership and skill we can compete with every school in the conference and district."

The team started practice on Monday, March 3rd. They will continue to practice up until their first

meet in Stanberry on Thursday, March 27th. When returning senior Jordyn Wright was asked what he hoped to accomplish in his last season of golf, he replied, "Personally, I am hoping to do better than last year and perform better at meets, including the bigger tournaments. For the team, we have the guys and talent; I would like to end the drought and put 2025 on the golf banner this year. We should have had it last year, but I'm hoping this year is the year. We have the right coaches, support, and skill to do it. It's just a matter of being ready for the competition come districts." Jordyn and Aiden are both returning state qualifiers and we look forward to seeing if they can qualify again this year.

We wish the team luck in their season!



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High School Track Sprints into Season

By Marli Hilton
Staff Reporter



The high school track team kicked off their season on Monday, March third. They had a nice first day outside, and their second day was inside. However, on Wednesday, Stanberry had a snow day, resulting in no practice. This year's team is quite a bit bigger than in prior years, with twenty-five members, coached by Mr. and Mrs. Shane and Kelli Hilton. The girls' track members include senior Marli Hilton; junior Dani VanDraska; sophomores Alana Evans, Josi Moffat, Brooke Robinson, and Cayleigh Spaulding; and freshmen Alyssa Wallace, Allie Schieber, Tasha Stoll, Hannah McMillan, Ellie Dias, and Olivia McQuinn. Boys' track members include senior Decker Heyde; juniors Hayden Swan and Jaren Stoll; sophomores Jax Heyde, Parker Ginther, Max Hilton, and Emmett Meyer; and freshmen Jake Holtzclaw, Parker Evans, Drew Parman, Thor Cameron, and Justin Affuso.

The track team this year could have a lot of potentially good relays, jumpers, throwers, and

single-event runners. Returning senior Decker and sophomore Max hope to put another 4x400 relay together after breaking a school record and placing third at state. Senior Marli is ready to put a few relays together and see if she can return to state in the 400-meter dash. Freshman Alyssa stated, "I'm looking forward to seeing how far our team can go and how I will do in high jump."

Jaren commented, "I feel like it's going to be fun; I think we're going to send a lot of people to state." The team's first meet is Thursday, March 27th at Worth County. Everyone has been hard at work, pushing each other to do their best in practice so that they can compete well in meets later on. When asked what he expected to come from this season, head coach Mr. Hilton responded, "I am expecting to see some great things this year from both track teams. The boys' team is deep, and I am looking forward to seeing how they can improve as the season goes on. The boys have been working hard and pushing each other. Our

JH Track Begins Practice

By Marli Hilton
Staff Reporter



The junior high track season kicked off on Monday, the third of March. Junior high usually has quite a few people involved, and this year is no different.

For the seventh-grade girls, there are Quincy Cameron, Emilee Groven, Quinn Heyde, Jaicee McGinley, Emily McMillan, Kayla McQuinn, Brenzlee Moffat, Charlotte Schultz, and Madelyn Sidwell. The eighth-grade girls include Baylee Albright, Zoey Chambers, Addison Graham, Harper Heyde, Alexa Horne, Kate Shisler, Kiara Willoughby, Madison Wilmes, and Jayden Wilson.

For the boys in seventh grade, there are Chandler Albright, Harlan Eckard, Lane Ellis, Caiden Jensen, Carter Mattson, Trevor Strough, and Grayson Wiederholt. Finally, the eighth-grade boys are Kenyon Affuso, Kaleb Evans, Drake Ginther, Pax Schieber, Sam Simbro, Quinn Jensen, and Drevyn Spence. The managers are eighth graders Emily Santa Cruz and Kaitlyn Van Draska. The

team is coached by Mrs. Kirsten Maronde and Mr. Jeffrey Maronde.

The junior high track team has had a few practices inside with the high school team. They ran stairs, stations, and halls, building their endurance and knowledge of how to act and perform. The high school has helped show them what it means to work hard in practice and how to keep pushing even when practices get rough. When asked what they are looking forward to this season, Harper and Kate stated, "socializing at track meets and being outside and getting fresh air."

The team has a total of seven meets, their first one being on Tuesday, April 1st, at Worth County. Assistant coach Mr. Maronde commented, "I really think they are a good group of hard-working kids, and they are working to find what events are best for each one of them."

Good luck to the junior high in their upcoming meet and in the duration of their season.

numbers are up on the girls' side, which is creating good competition at practice. This will be very beneficial as the season progresses, making us a

better team both physically and mentally. I am excited to see what these squads can do this year." Good luck to both boys and girls as their season kicks off.

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It's
Your
Call



What is your
favorite Spring
activity?

By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter



Seventh grader
Quincy Cameron,
"Swimming and walking."



Eighth grader
Charlotte Jennings,
"Pickleball!"



Sixth grader
Sophia Taylor,
"Staying at home,
watching anime."



Fifth grader
Avaian Evans,
"Swimming."



Sixth grade teacher
JoAnne Lewis,
"Track and Field Day."



Sixth grade teacher
Terri Holtzclaw,
"Working in my garden."



Senior
Jordyn Wright,
"Golfing."



Sophomore
Parker Ginther,
"Fishing."

Survey Results

By Lindsey Hailey
Staff Reporter

Students in grades 7-12
were asked the question: *What
is your favorite part about
spring break?*

50 students responded.

Their options included
*vacation, hanging out with
family/friends, sleeping in,
having free time, or not having
school.*

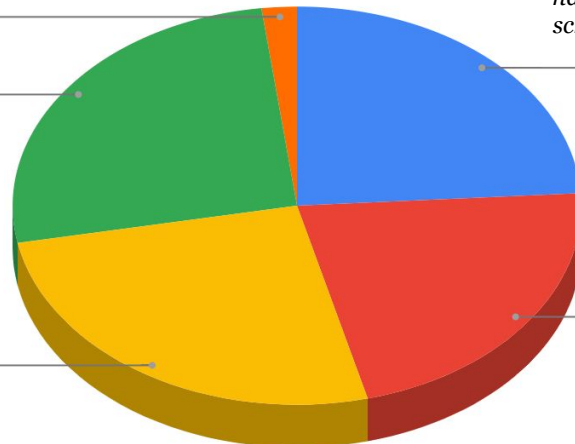
Vacation
2.0%

Hanging out wi...
26.0%

Sleeping in
26.0%

having free time
24.0%

Not having sch...
22.0%



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Tinker Time



By Kaitlin Porterfield
Staff Reporter

March's STEM gadget is drones. Stanberry R-II currently has three of them. The drones can record video and can be flown using an app called Tello. Students and community members used them on the night of Thursday, March 20th, at STREAM night. The students flew up to a bird's nest in the

gym. When eighth grader Kaci Porterfield was asked what her favorite part of flying drones was, she replied, "My favorite part about flying drones is the excitement of knowing whether I landed on the target or whether I was two feet away."

Stick with us for next month's edition of Tinker Time.



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Brutus' Corner

By Hannah Stevens
Staff Reporter

Each month *The Bulldog's Bark* will feature a school staff member. It is your job, based on the clues, to guess who the staff member is. The answer will be revealed in next month's issue. In February, the featured principal was **Mrs. Tammy Graham**. Who do you think March's staff member is?



Are you married, if so how many years?

Yes, 20 years

Do you have any children, how many?

Yes, 2 daughters

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I love sharing my love for learning with my students

How long have you been teaching for?

19 years.

Were you in any school activities growing up?

Softball, basketball, Scholar Bowl, Science Olympiad, Business Contest, FFA

April Activities

Tuesday, April 1
9:00-District FFA CDE Contest
3:30-JHT @ Grant City (Early Birds)
4:00-BG@Bethany
5:00-VBB@Plattsburg

Wednesday, April 2
9:00-District FFA CDE Contest
4:00-BG@Mound City

Thursday, April 3
4:00-JHT@King City
7:00-Honors Banquet

Friday, April 4
3:30-VT@King City
5:00-VBB@Home-Rock Port

Saturday, April 5-PTO Muffins with Mom

Monday, April 7-1:00-VT@Albany

Tuesday, April 8
5:00-VBB@North Platte
7:00-NHS Induction

Wednesday, April 9
12:45-Senior Cap/Gown, Spring Sports Yearbook Pics
4:00-BG@Home-Tri

Thursday, April 10
8:00-Herzog Career Readiness Day
2:00-JHT@Albany
4:00: BG@Gallatin
5:00-VBB@Pattonsburg

Friday, April 11-4:00-VT@Home

Monday, April 14
9:00-BG@Albany Tournament
5:00-VBB@Home-North Harrison

Tuesday, April 15-1:00-VT@Rock Port

Wednesday, April 16-6:00-Vocational Banquet

Thursday, April 17
4:00-JHT@Home
5:00-VBB@Princeton

Friday, April 18-NO SCHOOL-EASTER BREAK

Monday, April 21-NO SCHOOL EASTER BREAK
9:00-BG@Maryville Tournament
5:00-VBB@Home-North Andrew

Tuesday, April 22
1:30-VT@Grant City
4:00-BG@Maysville
5:00-VBB@Stewartsville
7:00-BOE Meeting

Wednesday, April 23
State FFA Convention
9:00-BG@Home

Thursday, April 24
State FFA Convention
4:00-JHT@Maryville
5:00-VBB@Albany

Friday, April 25
State FFA Convention
3:30-VT@West Platte

Saturday, April 26-State Science Olympiad

Monday, April 28-5:00-VBB@Home-SJC

Tuesday, April 29-VT@Home

Wednesday, April 30
6:00-Area FFA Awards Night
7:00-Spring Concert

The Scoop

With Marli Hilton

featuring Mr. Jason Dias

News to Me, News Flash

Welcome back to my podcast featuring students, teachers, and staff. During these podcasts I will talk about anything and everything, from favorite past times to who your inspiration is.

Listen to the seventh episode of the season [here](#) with special guests Mr. Jason Dias, math teacher and head baseball coach.

Tune in next month to find out who our next special guest will be.

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