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The softball team defeated the Paris Lady Coyotes to win 3rd Place at State! They are the first team in Stanberry softball history to make it to state competition.

3rd Place Finish for Bulldogs

By Marli Hilton
Staff Reporter

This year, the high school softball team competed in Springfield, Missouri at the 2024 MSHSAA State Softball tournament. After playing an amazing game against Princeton, winning 2-1, everyone on the team and in the community was very excited and proud of the girls for being the first softball team in Stanberry's history to make it to state. The week leading up to the trip, community members and business decorated their yards and windows, wishing the girls nothing but the best at state. Mrs. Maronde's leadership class, and Mrs. Hilton's stem class made posters and signs for the team as well.

On October 31st, the school held a pep assembly for the girls and coaches. The band played, the cheerleaders did chants, and community and school members came to show their support to the girls. Each girl was announced, and then Coach Brittney McClurg came and gave a short speech before the girls were sent out of the gym, through a tunnel of cheerleaders. As the girls were sent off by parents, friends, and family, they

were surprised by a charter bus they didn't know they were getting. They then traveled throughout the square as businesses came out and waved them goodbye.

The team's first stop was at Skyline High School (Coach McClurg's alma mater) to get a quick practice in. The school was very welcoming and kind, making signs for each of the girls and providing them with a drink and snack, wishing them the best of luck. The girls stopped at the fields to get their passes, and then went to dinner. Later on, they made it to the hotel and enjoyed ice cream brought by Dr. Davison. Many of the girls were too excited to sleep, and stayed up for a while before going to bed for the night.

Friday morning the team woke up, got dressed, and ate breakfast, arriving at the fields at 9:00am to get their picture taken. The team stretched and got prepared for the game to come at 11:00 am. The girls first played St. Elizabeth, and came out strong, scoring 2 points on them and keeping the lead. However, they fought back, and after a grand slam, St. Elizabeth took charge, winning 12-2.

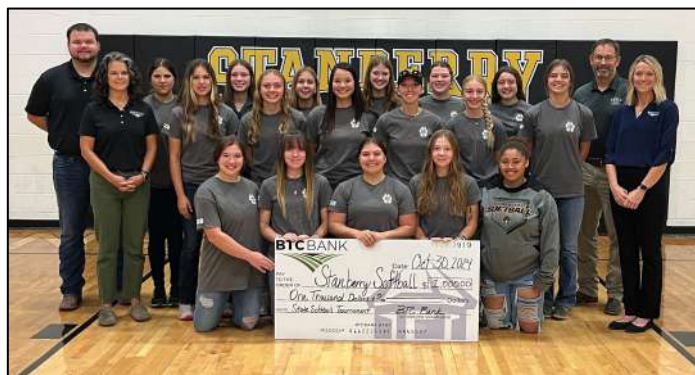
When asked how she was feeling after this game, Trista Lager stated, "The outcome kind of sucked but I took that as motivation into the next game to try and come out with a win."

Because they lost their first game, the girls went on to play Paris at 3:00 pm that same day. The girls forgot all about the last game and brought everything they had to the next one, wanting to end the season on a win and come home with a third place medal. The team was ready to go, they played strong defense against Paris, and brought their bats. Paris was the first to score, bringing the game 0-2 until the seventh inning where the girls were finally able to break through with Alyssa Wallace putting the first point on the board for the Bulldog's. Later Brea Jenson hit a ball into the outfield, bringing Marli Hilton into home for a close score, tying the game 2-2. The teams went into extra innings, with both of them battling for a win. Paris had bases loaded, but

Stanberry's defense stayed strong, getting a final out and coming in to hit. With Brookelynn Robinson at second, Alyssa Wallace hit a ball over the shortstops head and into the outfield, bringing Brookelynn home and securing the girls with a third place medal. The dugout and fans in the bleachers couldn't believe they had just won third place, making history as the first team at Stanberry to do it.

After the girls won third place, Mrs. McClurg commented, "I couldn't stop smiling! Watching the girls celebrating after they realized they won was a sight I will never forget. That kind of excitement is not easy to fake. At that moment I was so very proud of them, my assistant coach, and myself. For all of the adversity we battled throughout the year, we overcame it all! The girls set the bar high for Stanberry Softball!"

Congratulations to the team and for all of the hard work they put in throughout this season to make it one to remember.



BTC Bank gave a generous donation to help offset expenses for the softball teams' trip to state.

Congratulations!

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Veteran's Day

By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter

On Monday, November 11th, Stanberry R-II students put together a celebration to honor those in our community that have served our country for Veterans Day. To start off the morning high school NHS members and elementary STUCO members put on a breakfast for the veterans at 8:00. The STUCO members welcomed and greeted the veterans and showed them the way to the cafeteria. Once in the cafeteria the NHS members served them breakfast and their choice of coffee, orange juice, and milk to drink. After the breakfast the veterans went to the gym to view the Veterans Day program K-12 students were putting on to honor them.

After the veterans entered the gym and were seated,



everyone stood for the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner". Once the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner" was over elementary STUCO members welcomed our veterans. After the veterans were welcomed, sophomore Avery Calhoun and junior Evan Gregory read speeches they wrote and prepared for the veterans. After the speeches were done being read our primary students went up on stage to sing "God Bless America". After a beautiful performance they left the stage and seated themselves again and then the band performed "The Capitol March", which is a song by William Foden arranged by Todd Stalter. Band and Choir Instructor Mr. Coy Kirby said, "I am incredibly proud of the work these

students have put in the past couple months. They had a great performance at the Veterans Day Assembly. We are now looking forward to our concert on December 10th."

After executing an amazing performance of the song, the elementary STUCO put on a presentation called "Thank you, Veterans". Once finished sophomores Jax Heyde and Josi Moffat both read speeches they had written. Following the speeches, the JH and HS choir joined forces to sing the songs that represent each branch of the military. While the choir sang the NHS members walked in each branch's flag and veterans stood up and saluted the flag. Once finished, everyone recited the "Pledge of Allegiance". Following the pledge, freshman Ellie Dias took stage to perform "Taps" to honor those lost in battle. After Ellie executed her performance beautifully, Owen Shisler and Isaac Jensen gave their closing

remarks. Once finished, everyone rose silently as our veterans exited the gym bringing our Veterans Day Program to an end. Mrs. Kristi Porterfield stated, "I feel like we had a great turnout this year. It was nice to see so many veterans and their families in the building."

Stanberry R-II had yet another successful year hosting the Veterans Day Program. Thank you to all who participated and made this event as amazing as it was. Hopefully next year can be just as successful and maybe even better and thank you, veterans, for your service.



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2023-24 Yearbook Staff front row: Maranda Evans, Bella Wright, Marli Hilton, Sidney Eckard, Advisor. Back row: Brayden Hague, Kaiden Keough, Reagan Heyde, Wyatt Taylor.



2024-25 Yearbook Staff front row: Marli Hilton, Maranda Evans, Lindsey Hailey. Back row: Advisor Sidney Eckard, Kaitlin Porterfield, Hannah Stevens..

Yearbook Achieves Jostens 2024 National Yearbook Program of Excellence for 2nd Consecutive Year

Jostens, the leading producer of yearbooks and student-created content, announced that Stanberry High School's yearbook program has achieved the Jostens 2024 National Yearbook Program of Excellence award at the Gold Level for the second consecutive year. The National Yearbook Program of Excellence recognizes engaging yearbooks that reflect a broad representation of the student body while helping students develop 21st century skills such as communication, collaboration, and information and communication technologies (ICT) literacy.

The Stanberry High School award-winning yearbook program is led this school year by returning Mass Media students Maranda Evans and Marli Hilton. They are joined this year by Kaitlin Porterfield, Hannah Stevens, and Lindsey Hailey. Last year Maranda and Marli worked alongside Bella Wright, Brayden Hague, Kaiden Keough, Reagan Heyde, and Wyatt Taylor to produce the award-winning yearbook.

The yearbook and *The Bulldog's Bark* have been under the direction of Mrs. Sidney Eckard, advisor since the fall of 2020. Mrs. Eckard commented, "Last year's yearbook was extra special because it was the first year since I've been advisor that we have created our own cover. It turned out fantastic and we have had a lot of compliments on the design. We are currently working hard to create our own design again this year and I have no doubt that it will turn out great again. This students spend countless hours taking pictures, creating, editing, and proofing to put together this yearbook and I am always so proud of how it turns out."

Jostens' National Yearbook Program of Excellence Awards are presented twice a year, in spring and in fall based on the yearbook's arrival date at the school. The award was presented to the Stanberry High School yearbook program for achieving defined criteria in between one and three of the following categories: creating an inclusive yearbook,

generating school engagement, and successfully managing the yearbook creation process. This is the third time Mrs. Eckard and her staff have received this award in the past 4 years.

"Jostens is proud to recognize those individuals who have created an exceptional yearbook for their school and community," said Tammy Whitaker, Jostens VP and COO Yearbook Division. "These schools did an exceptional job on multiple levels, despite the challenges presented by this school year. Yearbooks are a critical part of capturing and telling a school's story, and Jostens is dedicated to supporting yearbook staff members as they do their important work."

Founded in 1897, Jostens has produced school yearbooks for over 60 years. Schools rely on Jostens and their local Jostens representatives to provide a combination of journalism education and technology tools to deliver a learning experience that helps students develop 21st century skills in journalism, photography, writing and design, leadership and business while creating the permanent record of the school year. Jostens invests in state-of-the-art technology, best in class service, educational curriculum and award-winning print manufacturing platforms to plan, design, build and produce yearbooks.

Interested in advertising in the *Bokane* (yearbook) or *Bulldog's Bark*? Email seckard@stanberryschools.org for details.

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October character trait winners are front row: eighth grader Sam Simbro, senior Hannah Stevens, freshmen Ellie Dias, junior Ally Santa Cruz, sophomore Josi Moffat, sophomore Brooke Robinson. Back row: junior Nathan Taylor, senior Gabe Simbro, eighth grader Kate Shisler, eighth grader Kylee Runde, freshmen Trinity Regalado, sophomore Jax Hedy, senior Calvin Smithson, freshmen Lane McGinley, and seventh grader Trevor Strough. Not pictured: eighth grader Baylee Albright.

October Character Trait: Responsibility

By Hannah Stevens
Staff Reporter



For the month of October responsibility was the trait classmates and teachers were looking for in the student body. There were multiple students that showed this and got recognized for showing responsibility starting with Hannah Stevens, Gabe Simbro, and Calvin Smithson from the senior class.

Hannah was chosen because she has a lot of responsibilities and always fulfills them, is always on time and completes her work. She does all of this with care and ensures her work is thorough. She does a lot that goes unnoticed. Gabe was selected because he is always on time to every class and does every assignment to the best of his ability. He makes sure he is following instructions and asks questions to be sure he stays on task. Gabe has never had a late assignment and carries out all of his duties thoroughly in classes and organizations he is involved in. He takes his

schoolwork seriously and tries his best on all assignments. Calvin was selected because ensures her work is thorough. Calvin never misses school, is always on time, and completes all of his homework. In sports, he always shows up prepared with his gear and gives his all in everything he does. He has a high standard of self-motivation and proactive attitude.

From the junior class Nathan Taylor and Ally Santa Cruz were selected. Nathan was selected because he helps others without being asked and completes every task with care. He ensures he sets a positive example for his peers of taking school work seriously, meeting deadlines, and approaching challenges with maturity. Ally was selected because she always has her work completed in a timely manner. She goes the extra mile to help others understand and get their work completed as well. She is dependable, highly organized,

and always manages her responsibilities with care. Ally is a reliable classmate that teachers and students can rely on.

The sophomore class selected Jax Heyde, Brookelynn Robinson, and Josi Moffat. Jax was chosen because he always turns his work in on time, and makes sure he is prepared. He was gone from school for quite awhile because he was sick, but he still made sure to get caught up on all he missed. He has set a commitment to doing every task thoroughly and on time. Brooke was chosen because she is involved in sports and other activities and still gets all of her school work accomplished on time. She also does all of this while keeping a positive attitude. She consistently puts effort into group projects and activities by encouraging others to stay on task and do their best. Josi was chosen because she is very involved with extracurricular activities and still manages to turn her work in on time and show up to school and classes on time. Josi is always willing to lend a helping hand without being asked. She will hold herself accountable.

For the freshmen winners Lane McGinley, Trinity Regalado, and Ellie Dias. Lane won because he always gets his work done and is very dependable. He is always helping his classmates when they need it. He is committed to doing every task thoroughly and on time and challenging himself to do it correctly. Trinity was selected because she shows responsibility by always having her work done and asking quality questions when necessary. She is involved in the band which requires her to practice during and after school. She is currently

preparing for the All-District band and comes prepared to every class. Ellie won because she is an active participant in her classes while also being involved in many other activities. Even when she is busy, she makes time to finish her school work and stays focused on her grades. She is always willing to help out her classmates and teachers, making a positive impact every day.

For the junior high winners Kate Shisler, Kylee Runde, Sam Simbro, Baylee Albright and Trevor Strough were chosen. Kate was selected for the eighth grade because she consistently shows reliability in her work and dedication to her commitments. Kate is always prepared for class and turns in assignments on time. She takes ownership of her actions, demonstrating honesty and integrity in academics and extracurricular activities. Kate is also quick to lend a helping hand to classmates. Kylee consistently takes ownership of her words and actions, always comes to class prepared, and submits her homework on time. Kylee goes above and beyond by helping others and handling her responsibilities with care. Her reliability, trustworthiness, and conscientiousness make her a role model in and out of the classroom. Sam is always on time to class and has all of his work done on time. He makes sure to come with all supplies and keeps track of his items. Sam is being nominated for responsibility for always being prepared and doing the right thing. He is a positive role model for his peers by always

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October Character (from page 4)

doing what he is supposed to and tackling all of his tasks. Baylee is a standout student known for her responsibility and proactive approach to learning. She consistently completes her assignments on time and makes the most of every class by staying focused and engaged. Hardworking and dedicated, Baylee always puts forth her best effort to tackle any task. She manages her time efficiently, balancing schoolwork with kindness and willingness to help others. Baylee's positive attitude and

dedication shine through in all she does, making her a valuable asset to the classroom.

Finally, we have seventh grader Trevor Strough. He is always prepared for class. Trevor always has his work done on time and doesn't put it off until the last minute. He listens in class and always knows what needs to be done for his classes. He also makes sure to tell the truth even when it's hard.

Stay tuned next month when we honor the November character trait of gratitude.



STREAM Night

By Kaitlin Porterfield
Staff Reporter

On Monday, November 18th, Stanberry R-II hosted a STREAM night for all ages. STREAM night was from 5:00-7:00 pm. It was a jam packed event full of fun things to do with your family. They had many stations around the school that you could participate in. A couple of those stations were crafts in the art room, LEGOS in the multipurpose room, coding with robots in the library, and many more fun activities. The kids could either learn new things or show their parents things they have learned at school. Another thing that STREAM night offered was the black light hallway. In this hallway the lights were out and the students' neon artwork was hung on the wall. The black lights were on and made everything glow bright. Some kids also had other projects up

in the multipurpose room. The junior high and high school students helped to supervise these activities. Some of them also helped set up and take down. When librarian Kelli Hilton was asked what she enjoyed the most about hosting STREAM night she answered, "I always like getting to see parents and kids interact with each other."

This was Stanberry's second year of doing a STREAM night. Both years were a huge success. It got kids excited about STREAM related activities. When fifth grader Ellie Wiederholt was asked what her favorite STREAM night activity was she replied, "I like building stuff in the multi."

STREAM night was a fun night for all Stanberry hopes to continue hosting in the years to come!



Mrs. Kelli Hilton accepts a \$1,200 community grant from MFA to purchase new encyclopedias for the library. Pictured are Virgil Snodgrass from MFA and Dean Snyder, MFA board rep.

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FFA Members Attend National Convention

By Hannah Stevens
Staff Reporter

This year, members of the Stanberry FFA Chapter attended the 2024 National FFA Convention in Indianapolis. The members that attended the trip were Paige Woods, Dani Van Draska, Hannah McQuinn, Avery Calhoun, Cortney Merrigan, Parker Ginther, Jaren Stoll, Hudson Groomer, Jordy Wright and Advisor Mrs. Korinne Noble.

The students loaded the bus around 6:00 am on Monday, October 21st. They then stopped and picked up people from Gallatin, Pattonsburg, Maysville, Worth County and North Harrison. The group then took off on an eight hour bus ride to Indianapolis with only a few stops along the way.

Some of the activities they participated in during the week included touring Louisville Slugger and Churchill Downs. They attended leadership sessions, a haunted house, a Megan Moroney concert, and enjoyed Italian dinner as a group. Member Dani Van Draska stated about the trip, "My favorite part of the FFA National Convention was getting the opportunity to meet and talk to new people! I learned a lot, but the thing that stuck out to me most was when walking around at the career show, I was able to talk to a few colleges, and learned that the ag industry has been growing so much to the point that multiple schools have had to expand to add new equipment, classrooms, etc. in their ag

departments, one of the being Northwest in Maryville. Overall, the week was filled with multiple educational opportunities mixed in with some fun activities. I loved meeting and talking to new people not just from Missouri but other states across the US. I am beyond thankful that I had the opportunity to go and experience convention this year!"

Then on the last day they packed up their bags early in the morning to load the bus and travel back to Missouri, but not without a couple of stops along the way. Their stops included the Hannibal Caves, Abe Lincoln Presidential Library, Joe's Crab Shack, and Buca De Bepo. They returned all exhausted from the trip, but with lots of memories.

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Brandon Strough



Kate Strueby



Benjamin Tucker



Aubree Varney



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Ely Walder



Easton Wiederholt



Denver Wilcoxson



Mrs. Shifflett



Mrs. Worley



First Graders Love to Learn!

By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter

This year both of the first grade classes have been hard at work. Their teachers Mrs. Mackenzie Shifflett and Mrs. Danielle Worley have been doing an amazing job. So far, they have learned to add and subtract within 10, learned about U.S. symbols, the sun/moon/stars and are learning to read closed syllable words! Mrs. Shifflett stated, "I am so proud of how much this class has already learned! They come to school ready to challenge themselves and work hard. They are such a fun group with lots of personality. I am

lucky to be their teacher!"

Coming up this year, the first graders will also continue to learn how to add and subtract bigger numbers, and also learn about place value. The first graders have also been working really hard on their reading. Every week they have been learning more and more sounds so that they are able to read and spell more words. Mrs. Worley commented, "Our year has been so much fun so far! They all work very hard to learn the new skills presented to them. I'm

excited to see what the rest of the year holds for us!"

As you can see the first graders are rocking it so far this year! We are so proud of

them and thankful to have them as a part of our Bulldog Family. Good luck to this group of students and the rest of their school year!



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Olivia Blessing



Eva Cameron



Miley Davis



Brayden Dias



William Ellsworth



Macie Gibson



Evan Gregory



Lindsey Hailey



Russell Kerwin



Katie Libby



Hannah McQuinn



Cortney Merrigan



Lexie Rogers



Ally Santa Cruz



Kenzi Santa Cruz



Vincent Smithson



Jaren Stoll



Hayden Swan



Nathan Taylor



Danielle Van Draska



Isabella Wilson



Juniors Start to Think Towards Future

By Lindsey Hailey
Staff Reporter

This month we are recognizing the junior class of 21 students. With the first quarter done and the second quarter almost finished in about a month, this bunch is getting closer and closer to their senior year.

The juniors have realized it's going to be a

tough, hard year and planning and setting goals for their future is what this year is all about. They are keeping a busy schedule with school and sports, while some have even chosen to take some dual credit classes which they have to take on top.

As a whole, the junior class attended the NWMSU college fair on October 9th. They talked to several different representatives from different locations not just for college but also tech schools as well. Although some juniors dread having only one more year left of

high school, some are excited to get out of high school and start their next chapter in the real world.

These juniors have a bright future ahead of them.

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FCCLA Attend Regional Meeting

By Kaitlin Porterfield
Staff Reporter

On Monday, November 4th Stanberry's FCCLA chapter traveled to Northwest Missouri State University for their regional meeting. Only the high school members got to attend this meeting. However, the chapter has many junior high members. There the chapter listened to a presentation and a keynote speaker. This year the keynote speaker was Easton Hrabe. He talked about what it was like to be a leader. He also spoke about his journey through FCCLA. After the keynote presentation the chapters were released to lunch on campus. When chapter adviser Jennifer Meyer was asked what her favorite part of the regional meeting was she responded, "My favorite part of the day was the new sessions in the afternoon. I think they allow the members to be more active and learn about multiple things. This is a

new aspect of the regional meeting and I think will only get better in the next few years."

After their one hour lunch break the students were able to attend five workshops. Some of these workshops include yoga, the effects of vaping, time management, star event education, minute to win it games, and many more. During the afternoon the students learned some valuable information and had fun doing games. When FCCLA member Danielle Van Draska was asked what her favorite workshop was she replied, "My favorite workshop that I did was the Minute to Win it games! It was a great way to socialize with people from other schools in a little fun competition."

After all of the workshops had been completed it was time for awards to be handed out. A raffle was also held after the awards.



High school FCCLA members attend their annual regional meeting on the campus of NWMSU.

Stanberry's chapter won the award for the biggest chapter. Later while the raffle was being drawn Cayleigh Spaulding and Hannah McQuinn each won a prize from the raffle. Finally, after everything was done the chapter headed back to Stanberry.

All in all, the Stanberry FCCLA chapter had an eventful day. They learned some new things and had fun doing it.



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Boys Basketball Kicks Off 2024 Season

By Hannah Stevens
Staff Reporter



The boys basketball team is off to a great start and are working hard in practice. This year's team consists of seniors Decker Heyde, Cameron Affuso, Colby McQueen, Jordyn Wright and Calvin Smithson; one lone junior Jaren Stoll; sophomores Aiden Graham, Parker Ginther, Jax Hyde, Hudson Groomer, and Konnor Keough; and the freshmen are Jake Holtzclaw, Drew Parman, Justin Affuso, and Parker Evans. Nick Groomer returns as the head coach and Austin Schwebach will assist him. Coach Groomer states, "We bring back lots of experience this season and I am excited to see how this year turns out. We have a tough schedule, the boys are going to have to work hard every night."

They traveled to Jefferson Thursday, November 21st for the jamboree and their first regular season game kicks off Tuesday, November 26th at Mound City. Freshman Justin Affuso commented, "I am excited about

This year of basketball. This is my first year and Mr. Groomer is ready to put us to work. I am ready to improve."

With lots of seniors on this team and this being their last year we asked them their thoughts about this basketball season. Decker stated, "I am excited to see how the season will turn out, we have been working really hard to get our fundamentals to the point where they need to be. Also, our energy and desire to get better is much stronger this year. With five seniors I am excited to see how it will turn out." Jordyn replied, "I am excited about this year's team. We have a good group of guys that have the talent to win games, we just need to stay focused and not become satisfied. There were a lot of guys last year and I know we're going to work our hardest, it's been awhile since we've had a winning season and we hope to change that this year." Good luck to the boys this year!



2024 Bulldog basketball: front row Jordyn Wright, Brant Jensen, Hudson Groomer, Parker Ginther, Decker Heyde. Middle row: Jax Heyde, Parker Evans, Drew Parman, Colby McQueen, Jake Holtzclaw, Jaren Stoll. Back row: Calvin Smithson, Cameron Affuso, Aiden Graham, Justin Affuso, Konnor Keough.



2024 Bulldog Lady basketball: front row Kynzee Adcock, Eva Cameron, Trista Lager, Tasha Stoll, Ellie Dias. Middle row: Brookelynn Robinson, Allie Schieber, Lindsey Hailey, Josi Moffat, Olivia McQuinn. Back row: Emma Mattson, Hannah McMillan, Cortney Merrigan, Alyssa Wallace.

Lady Bulldogs Shoot to Improve on Season

By Lindsey Hailey
Staff Reporter



The high school girls basketball team started practice November 4th with softball and football girls joining them November 6th. The head coach again this year is Taylor Wendt who will be assisted again by Sadie Runde. The team has 14 players consisting of senior Trista Lager; juniors Lindsey Hailey, Eva Cameron, and Courtney Merrigan; sophomores Josi Moffat and Brookelynn Robinson; freshmen Emma Mattson, Allie Schieber, Olivia McQuinn, Tasha Stoll, Ellie Dias, Alyssa Wallace, Hannah McMillan, and Kynzee Adcock.

The girls have been working hard during practices to prepare for their first game of the season, and will continue to keep working hard throughout the season. When Coach Wendt was asked what she was excited for this season and what are you going to change from last season, she replied, "I am excited to finally have enough girls to scrimmage each other. We will be able to finally have jv and varsity

games! We will be a new team on both ends of the court. We will look to be more aggressive on defense and score from transition. Last year our scoring came from half court offense. So this year we will try to utilize half court offense and our aggressiveness to score in transition."

When freshman Kynzee Adcock was asked what she is excited for in the high school basketball season and what she wants to accomplish this season, she stated, "I'm excited for having more competition and getting able to play with a new team. I want to accomplish a winning record and to have 70% free throw shooting." Senior Trista Lager was asked the same questions, she commented, "I am excited to see what the younger girls bring to the table. For this season I want to accomplish my personal goals like, beating my points scored and beating my brother in 3's." Best of luck to the team in their upcoming season.

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Post Season Honors

POSTSEASON FOOTBALL AWARDS:

GRC West All-Conference:

Decker Heyde-All-Purpose Back-2nd Team
Treston Williams-Return Specialist-Honorable Mention



POST SEASON SOFTBALL AWARDS

All-District & All-Region:

Brea Jenson- 1st Team All-District & 1st Team All-Region Catcher
Marli Hilton- 1st Team All-District & 1st Team All-Region Outfield
Trista Lager- 2nd Team All-District Outfield
Brooke Robinson- 2nd Team All-District Infielder
Josi Moffat- 2nd Team All-District DP/Utility
Kynzee Adcock- 1st Team All-District & 1st Team All-Region Infielder
Alyssa Wallace- 1st Team All-District & 1st Team All-Region Pitcher



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OPINION

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It's
Your
Call



What are you looking forward to doing over Thanksgiving break?

By Marli Hilton
Staff Reporter



Seventh grader
Caiden Jensen,
"Spending time with my family."



Eighth grader
Serenity Keough,
"Getting days off of school."



Preschooler
Lucas Schmitz,
"Playing with my monster trucks."



Sixth Grader
Maci Baumli,
"Seeing my family."



Band & Choir Teacher
Coy Kirby,
"Eating lots of food and hanging out with my friends."



Counselor
Liz Simbro,
"Hang out with my family and eat some delicious food."



Junior
Miley Davis,
"Hanging out with my family."



Freshman
Rylan Worley,
"Spending time with my family."

Survey Results

By Lindsey Hailey
Staff Reporter

Students in grades 7-12 were asked the question: *What is your favorite Thanksgiving side?* 72 students responded.

Their options included mashed potatoes, stuffing, green bean casserole, corn mac, sweet potatoes, or cheesy potatoes.

Sweet Potatoes

1.4%

Corn Mac

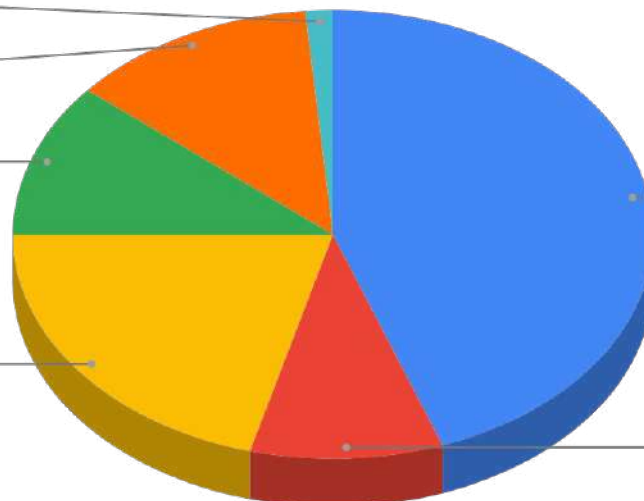
12.5%

Stuffing

11.1%

Cheesy Potatoes

20.8%



Mashed potatoes
44.4%

Green bean casser...
9.7%

ENTERTAINMENT

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Brutus' Corner

By Maranda Evans
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 October, the featured teacher was **Mrs. Ashley Schmitz**. Who do you think November's staff member is?



Are you married, if so how many years?

Yes, 16 years

Do you have any children, how many?

Yes, 2

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I enjoy the silly moments each day and watching the growth over the years.

How long have you been teaching for?

16 years

Were you in any school activities growing up?

I was in volleyball, basketball, softball, and band.

December Activities

Monday, December 2nd-NO SCHOOL-THANKSGIVING BREAK

Monday-Saturday, December 2nd-7th-Albany Tournament

Tuesday, December 3rd-5:30-VW@Home-Quad

Saturday, December 7th-All-State Band Auditions

Monday, December 9th-6:30-Elementary Winter Concert

Tuesday, December 10th-7:00-Winter Concert

Thursday, December 12th

5:00-VW@Polo Scramble

6:00-VBB@Home-NEN

Friday, December 13th-5:00-VBB@North Andrew

Saturday, December 14th

9:00-VW@Lawson Invitational

5:00-All-District Band Concert

Sunday, December 15th-10:00-Stanberry Youth Wrestling Tournament

Monday, December 16th-7:00-JH/HS Fall Awards Night

Tuesday, December 17th

5:00-VBB@Home vs. King City

5:30-VW@Maryville

5:30-BOE Meeting

Thursday, December 19th-7:00-FFA Christmas Party

Friday, December 20th

END OF 2nd QUARTER

9:00-VW@Battle of Katy Trail-Sedalia

12:39-EARLY DISMISSAL-CHRISTMAS BREAK

5:00-VBB@Albany

Saturday, December 21-9:00-VW@Battle of Katy Trail

CHRISTMAS BREAK-DECEMBER 21st-JANUARY 6th

Friday, December 27th-10:30-BCC@HOLiday Hoops-Tina/Avalon/Hale



Tinker Time

By Kaitlin Porterfield
Staff Reporter

The robot for the month of November is the Sphero Mini. They were paid for with the Williford Foundation Fund. Stanberry R-II has a class set of them.

You can use these robots with the Sphero Edu app. The class set of Sphero Minis came with some bowling pins and cones for the robots to use as obstacles or to knock down. The robots can

be used in many ways on the app including coding, driving, and many more.

When eighth grader Kaleb Evans was asked what they used the Sphero Minis for in class he responded, "To plot graphs." The robots can be used for many things in class.

Stay with us for next month's STEM gadget.

BULLDOG'S BARK 13



The Scoop

With Marli Hilton

featuring Shane Hilton

News to Me, News Flash

Welcome back to the second month of my podcast featuring with guest 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 second episode of this season [here](#) with guest P.E. teacher, head football coach and my dad, Shane Hilton.

Tune in next month to find out who are next special guest is.

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