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Veterans Day Program Brings School & Community Together to Honor Those Who Have Served

By Abigail Davis

Staff Reporter

Stanberry showed our appreciation for our troops during our Veteran's Day assembly, held on Friday, November 10. New this year, the elementary and 7-12 Student Council joined forces to serve breakfast to veterans before the community assembly began. The Raymond Sager American Legion Post started us off by presenting the colors. Stanberry Band played "The Star Spangled Banner" under the direction of Ms. Ashley Clune. Organized by the Elementary Student Council, the audience was first welcomed by Council President Colby McQuinn. Next, a few members of the high school Speech class shared their tributes, leaving the spectators moved. Ashton Wood quoted Ronald Reagan in his speech saying, "We remember those who were called upon to give all a person can give, and we remember those who were prepared to make that sacrifice if it were demanded of them in the line of duty, though it never was..." Mitchell Carroll's speech included memories of his veteran family members. Mitchell quoted reporter Elmer Davis saying, "This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave." Drew Johnson

shared what it is like to be the child of military parents with a brother serving as well.

Junior Alexis Simmerman has written a speech for several years for the assembly, although her father, military member Kermit Simmerman, usually reads it to the audience. This year, Alexis gave her own address, saying that if members of the armed forces can face their fears and be strong in times of conflict, "I can surely stand at this podium and speak for them." She also included how seeing the war memorials in Washington D.C. help put everything into perspective.

The primary students showed their support by singing and signing "God Bless America". The famed Missing Man Table was then set on stage, and the various elements honoring those missing or killed in action were explained by the elementary student council. The intermediate students followed by singing "American Heroes". The Stanberry 7-12 band then played "In Honor of the Fallen". Stanberry high school and junior high choirs sang "Armed Forces- The Pride of America," during the song everyone recited "The Pledge of Allegiance". NHS members

Kalie Peterson, Taylor McQueen, Kaden Bremer, Rylee Ellis, and Bryce Jennings presented the flags for each branch of the military during its theme song. Dustin Jensen honorably played "Taps" for our veterans, and then Elementary Student Council Vice-President Maci Duley gave some closing remarks and thanked everyone for attending. Finally, the Raymond Sager American Legion Post retired the colors. Many community members, students, and staff mingled afterwards in the lobby, which was decorated with patriotic artwork created by elementary students. Superin-

Rylee Ellis, Bryce Jennings, Kaden Bremer, Taylor McQueen, and Kalie Peterson were happy to carry the flags of the armed forces.

tendent Brian Garner commented, "It was a very special day. A large number of veterans were able to come to our school district to be honored with music performances from students K-12, artwork, and speeches from high school students. I had the privilege to shake every veteran's hand and thank them for their service. This program has been a long-standing tradition that I hope continues for years to come." Senior Kalie Peterson mentioned, "The veteran's day program was great as it always is, and I felt very honored to be able to do my part to support our veterans who so bravely served to defend our freedoms. I am very grateful for the support that our school and community shows each year to recognize our courageous heroes." Principal Lisa Craig also commented, "I think our Veteran's Day Program is a great way to honor our veterans who have sacrificed so much for this country. We should be thankful each and every day for them and their commitment to our country. God bless."



Members of the American Legion salute the US flag.



Elementary Student Council members Colby McQuinn, Kolton Dias, Decker Heyde, and Paige Woods are ready to serve breakfast.



Area veterans enjoy breakfast prepared by the student councils.



Brandy Gillespie and Kermit Simmerman present the colors as the assembly begins.

Drew Johnson, Ashton Wood, and Mitchell Carroll discuss their speeches and stage fright before the event.

Just a Thought...

By Atheana Harsh
Staff Reporter

Do you think life exists or has ever existed somewhere besides earth? Scientists have studied the many things that the Rover space probe brought back from Mars. With their findings, they have come to a conclusion that life may have existed on Mars about 3 billion years ago. And to this day, there might still even be life under the planet's surface. I believe there is life beyond just Earth or Mars. A lot of the other planets, we can't even get to because of the gravity force on or around them. So who knows, there might be all kinds of different species on those planets. If Earth can hold more than one species, then who knows if Venus or Jupiter or even Pluto holds more than one species as well. There are many unexplainable things out in the world and beyond the world, so don't be afraid to let your mind wander a little, and think the unthinkable.



It's Your Call

If you could know your death date would you want to know why or why not?

By Vince Carroll
Staff Reporter

Seventh grader Katie Angle said, "Yes so I could do as many things as I could before then."



"No, because I would not want to worry about it and worry about what I'm doing when it's getting ready to happen," declared eighth grader Austin Schwebach.



Freshman Dustin Jensen replied, "Yes, I would if it were a long way away. but if it were short I wouldn't because it's depressing."



Sophomore Braylee Woods decided, "Yes, because that way I would know what I need to get done before then."



Junior Zack Oldham said, "Yes, That way I could live life to the fullest every day up until then."



Senior Hunter Woods said, "Yes because if I knew my death date then I could have all the fun I wanted, but if I knew I wouldn't tell anyone because I wouldn't want anyone to feel sorry for me."



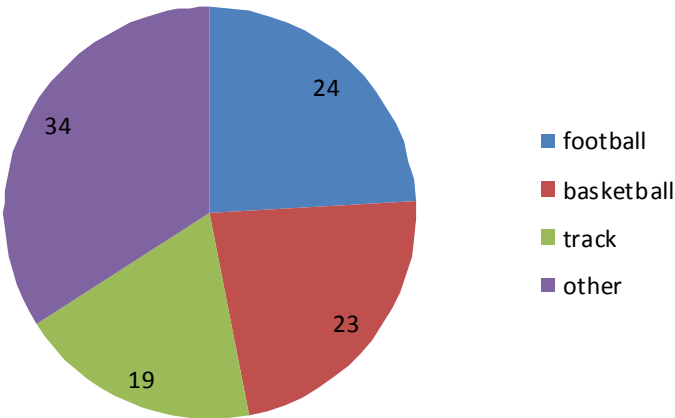
Social Studies instructor Mr. Nick Groomer replied, "No, because I just want to live my life normally and to the fullest."



Survey

One hundred people were asked to participate in this nonscientific survey.

What is your favorite sport?



Movie Review

By Leslie Peters
Staff reporter

I would like to recommend a great movie for all ages, even parents will enjoy this movie. The movie Babe is about a little pig who is chosen for the "guess the weight" contest at a fair. A farmer named Arthur Hoggett wins the pig and takes him home. The farmer has the pig stay with his border collie, named Fly, and her puppies in the barn. Throughout the movie Babe is constantly worried about becoming Christmas dinner. Babe befriends the duck, Ferdinand, who poses himself as a rooster to wake up the farmer and his wife, in hopes that they will not want to eat him. One morning when the duck goes to crow, before he does an alarm clock goes off, and Ferdinand is upset, so he turns to Babe and asks for help. Together they both break into the farmer's house to try and break the alarm clock. In the process of this they end up waking up the house cat, which leads to them destroying the whole farm house. Christmas dinner comes around and instead of choosing the pig, the farmer picks a duck. The farmer tells his wife that they will sell Babe for ham at the next fair. The farmer quickly changed his mind, however, when Babe finds him and alerts him that people are stealing the sheep. Babe then started helping to herd the sheep. One of the sheepdogs, Rex, becomes jealous of Babe and doesn't want him to herd the sheep. When Rex gets into a scuffle with the other dog, Fly, the farmer tries to break it up, and Rex ends up biting the farmer. The farmer then has Rex chained up and sedated leaving only Fly and Babe to help herd the sheep. The farmer grows a strong liking to Babe and no longer wants to sell him for ham or eat him. The farmer then enrolls Babe in a competition at the next fair, and Babe does excellent. The recurring line in this movie is "That'll do pig. That'll do," which is what the farmer says to Babe after every time he does well. This movie was released in 1995, and made two hundred and fifty million dollars in its first year and had seven Oscar nominations. I would highly recommend this movie, which is available on Netflix, for families.



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Character Trait

Staff Reporter

Levi Murphy

For the month of November at our school, the character traits are Perseverance and Patriotism. The definition of perseverance is steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success. The definition of patriotism is the quality of being patriotic; vigorous support for one's country. Patriotism was shown this month during our Veteran's day assembly, and it is important for us to show this in our everyday life and for us to pay our respects to those who have served our country in the armed forces. Perseverance is important in school by getting good grades and playing hard in sports. Outside school, perseverance is even more essential; people cannot give up when times are tough--they have to grit their teeth and work through it. Studies have shown that even more than intellectual ability or charisma, perseverance is what enables people to succeed in life. So when you are tempted to quit when faced with a hard task, remember those in the military who have endured much for our country, and persevere until you reach your goal.

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Elementary Academic Teams Finish Season

By Madi Sager

Guest Reporter

As the Academic Team entered the middle of their season, October 17th the fourth and sixth grade won their matches, while fifth grade came a few points short. They battled against Albany. Fourth grade won 120-115, fifth grade lost 120-135, and sixth grade won 155-90.

On October 24th, all three of the academic team won their matches against Jefferson. The fourth grade won a close match 115-105, fifth grade triumphed 175-65, and sixth grade won 120-80.

The last regular meet of the season on October 30th, the academic team took on Union Star. All three teams brought home the win. The fourth grade won 70-45, the fifth grade won 135-120, and the sixth grade won 160-55.

On November 4 was the academic tournament in King City. The fourth grade didn't place but battled hard in every match. They played Albany and lost 65-70 and Union Star and lost 90-115. The fifth grade got third in the tournament and played Jefferson and Albany. They won against Jefferson 70-25 and lost against Albany 110-75. The sixth grade also got third in the tournament while playing Jefferson and Maysville. They beat Jefferson 95-90 and lost against Maysville 90-80.

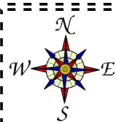


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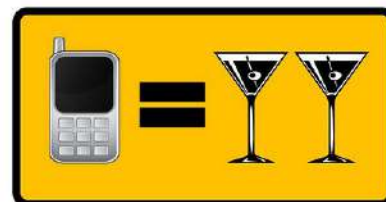
By Jenna Williams

Staff Reporter

On October 10th, all of the sophomore class traveled to Maryville to witness the annual docudrama along with several other area schools. This event is a chance for teens to see the effects of distracted or impaired driving as well as a rehearsal for area first responders. Senior Kalie Peterson was included as one of the actors in the reenactment. After the reenactment was complete, students had the chance to listen to presentations about impaired or distracted driving. The speakers included Brenda Neff, who lost an immediate family member in a wreck, the Nodaway County Sheriff, an area minister, and a member of the highway patrol.

Stanberry sophomore Drew Johnson stated, "It was a very effective demonstration, and I hope it makes people think twice while driving."

Statistics show that almost 30% of Missouri traffic fatalities in 2013 includ-



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ed a substance-impaired driver. Main causes of fatal crashes in 2013 involved speeding, substance-impairment, and improper lane usage. Traffic crashes are the main cause of death for 15-20 year olds, and 3 out of 4 thirteen to nineteen-year-old vehicle occupants killed in Missouri in 2013 were not wearing a seatbelt according to the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety's website, savemolives.com.

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First Graders Incorporate Technology into Learning

By Allison Kidder
Staff Reporter

This year's first graders are taught by Mrs. Tammy Graham and Mrs. Amy Luke. Mrs. Graham's class includes Baylee Albright, Zoey Chambers, Steel Cubrich, Emilie Denbow, Kaleb Evans, Brodie Gibson, Drake Ginther, Addison Graham, Bryson Hume, Charlotte Jennings, Kimber Jensen, Serenity Keough, Kaci Porterfield, Ellison Sipes, Drevyn Spence, Gage Stephenson, Kaitlyn Van Draska, Jayden Wilson, and Liam Wilson. Mrs. Luke's class consists of Jaxon Baker, Brynn Beattie, Payden Fones, Benton Gregory, Colten Heckman, Harper Heyde, Alexa Horne, Jacob Jamieson, Quinn Jensen, Brenden Ledford, Kylee Runde, Emily Santa Cruz, Paxton Schieber, Katelyn Shisler, Daynen Sipes, Jude Spence, Aelyn Wiederholt, Kiara Willoughby, and Madison Wilmes. Mrs. Graham says, "We are really working hard in first grade this year; the students continue to grow each and every day. The students are working on academics and character building skills." When asked about her goals for her class, Mrs. Luke responded, "I want my first graders to always be the best they can be while developing the ability to persevere when tasks become difficult."

In Math, the children have completed the addition and subtraction units and working on a geometry unit. In Science, they are studying rocks and soil. Social Studies sees them working on family units and Christmas holidays around the world. To help with that, both Brian Medina and Yangyang Lyu will come talk to the classes. Brian is a foreign exchange student from Mexico; Yangyang is from China, and both are currently Stanberry juniors. The first graders are reviewing short vowel sounds and diagraphs in Spelling, while in Reading they are reading for fluency and comprehension and writing in complete sentences. They are identifying nouns, verbs, and adjectives as well as writing a personal narrative and a persuasive piece for Grammar and Writing.

Steel Cubrich said that his favorite part of first grade so far is, "We get to play Mail." Kimber Jensen says that her favorite part is "Learning."
"Recess" is Jaxon Baker's favorite part of the day, while Kiara Willoughby declared her favorite part is, "Math."



Bryson Hume, Kimber Jensen, Ellison Sipes, and Zoey Chambers use their tablets to work on Reading Eggs.



Mrs. Kathy Pratt substitutes for Mrs. Amy Luke and discusses point of view in the book Duck Rabbit.



Gage Stephenson displays his bag he created.



Brodie Gibson works on reading.



Emilie Denbow finishes her watercolor piece while Baylee Albright and Steel Cubrich use their tablets.



Charlotte Jennings, Kaitlyn Van Draska, and Jayden Wilson enjoy the interactive aspect of the tablets.



Kimber Jensen, Kaleb Evans, and Serenity Keough use their time wisely.




Mrs. Luke's class participates in discussion.

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First Quarter Honor Roll Released

The honor rolls for first quarter have been announced, and many Stanberry students should be proud of their academic achievements. At the intermediate level, those on the Principal's Honor Roll include fourth graders Mason Jensen, Hannah McQuinn, Ally Santa Cruz, Kenzi Santa Cruz, and Vincent Smithson; fifth graders Maranda Evans, Decker Heyde, Marli Hilton, Paige Woods, and Jordyn Wright; and sixth graders Kolton Dias, Maci Duley, Carsyn George, Brayden Hahy, Reagan Heyde, Colby McQuinn, and Isabella Wright. On the Regular Honor Roll are fourth graders Eva Cameron, Brayden Dias, Evan Gregory, Davien James, Katie Libby, Lily Santa Cruz, Jarren Stoll, Nathan Taylor, Logan Ware, and Isabella Wilson; fifth graders Cooper Adcock, Paige Campbell, Brody Carroll, Preslea George, Jencie James, Brea Jensen, Trista Lager, Colby McQueen, Calvin Smithson, Hannah Stevens, Devin Strawhacker, Wyatt Taylor, and Treston Williams; and sixth graders Emily Davis, Taelyn Derks, Leo Fletchall, Brayden Hague, Peyton Hume, Lexi Kerwin, Alec Saxton, Ava Saxton, Tucker Schieber, and Amelia Wallace.

At the junior high and high school level, Bulldogs on the High Honor Roll are seventh graders Katie Angle, Caroline Fanning, Kiley Mattson, Emma Phipps, and Katelyn Stoll; eighth graders Astasia Brown, Lexi Craig, Korbin Fletchall, Landon Marticke, Tarynn Mattson, Sadie Runde, Austin Schwebach, and Tyler Schwebach; freshmen Andaya Brown, Stephen Henggeler, Riley McQueen, Kat-

lyne Pappert, Anna Phipps, Morgan Wallace, and Will Wood; sophomores Elle Ellis, Sydney Mattson, Ashley Peterson, and Hailey Stoll; juniors Jessica Claibourn, Cole Durbin, Peyton Gage, Aiden Gregory, Marissa Jensen, Yangyang Lyu, Allison Marticke, Kierstyn McMillen, Brian Medina, Sam Oldham, Lily Osborn, Madi Sager, Geena Stoll, and Autumn Wagner; and seniors Kaden Bremer, Brad Hailey, Taylor McQueen, Kalie Peterson, Brendan Smith, and Sierra Wagner. On the Regular Honor Roll are seventh graders Owen Gregory, Rhona Henggeler, Grace Mattson, Addison Shanks, Braxton Shanks, Kadeon Showers, and Lance Wallace; eighth graders Austin Colvin and Jackson Williams; freshman Evan Saxton; sophomores Tanner Derks, Allie Gage, Hunter Johnson, Hallie Law, Brianna Newman, T.J. Rogers, and Kameron Wallace; juniors Emily Cassidy, Abigayle Davis, Gerry Dokken, Mark Donaldson, Rueben Gage, Makayla Giggar, Tyra Grayson, Grady Mattson, Mateo Messner, Elijah Murphy, Dylon Pappert, Valerie Pickering, Trey Schieber, Skylar Shanks, Alexis Simmerman, April Smith, Bryant Sparks, J.R. Telan, Haley VanHorne, Jenna Williams, and Ashton Wood; and seniors Mitchell Carroll, Rylee Ellis, Taylin Hunter, Madelyn Luke, Blythe Mattson, Levi Murphy, Leslie Peters, Vanessa Purcell, Halley Wilmes, and Hunter Woods. Congratulations to all of the students for their hard work!

Red Ribbon Week Promotes Drug-Free Lifestyle

By Zachary Oldham
Staff Reporter

Stanberry celebrated Red Ribbon Week once again on the week of October 23 through the 27. Red Ribbon week is the oldest and largest drug prevention program. The program was started after a DEA agent Enrique (Kiki) Camarena was murdered by a drug cartel in Mexico because his efforts had led to the shutdown of their multimillion dollar drug manufacturing operation. Many DEA agents began wearing red satin badges to honor Kiki and to show that the fight against drugs would continue. From this simple act has sprung the overall Red Ribbon Celebration which was started by the President and First Lady, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Reagan, in 1988. It is now held every October in communities across the country. Red Ribbon Week is still a symbol of Kiki's inspirational life and death, and is still making a difference on the war on drugs.

The Bulldogs also had a bookmark contest in honor of Red Ribbon week with the contestants being in kindergarten through sixth grade. The Student council judged all of the bookmark drawing and decided on the top 3 in each class. The winners of the kindergarten class are 3rd place Quinn Heyde, 2nd Madelyn Sidwell, 1st Kayla McQuinn. First Grade winners are: 3rd place Addison Graham, 2nd place Kimber Jensen, 1st place Kylee Runde. Second Place winners are: 3rd place



Blanche Eckard, 2nd place Faith Gregory, 1st place Hannah McMillan. Third grade winners are: 3rd place Braelyn William, 2nd place Brookelynn Robinson, 1st place Liam Gregory. Fourth grade winners are: 3rd place Katie Libby, 2nd place Lindsey Chu, 1st place Miley Davis. Fifth Grade winners are: 3rd place Maranda Evans, 2nd place Hannah , 1st place Preslea George. Sixth Grade winners are: 3rd place Amelia Wallace, 2nd place Maci Duley, 1st place Katlyn James.

Stanberry also had dress up days for the elementary and high school students. Mondays dress up day was "Turn the Drug Scene Inside Out!". The students wore their shirts inside out. Tuesday was "Team up against Drugs!". They were to wear their favorite sports team shirts to school. Wednesday "Too Smart to Start!" so they dressed up like nerds. Thursday "Use Your Head. Don't Use Drugs!". Which was wear a hat to school. Friday "Help Win the War on Drugs!". Kids were supposed to wear camouflage to school.

FCCLA Attends Regional Meeting; Hosts Mr. Bulldog Pageant

By Kierstyn McMillen
Guest Reporter

In the month of November FCCLA hosted a Mr. Bulldog Pageant. Senior boys were invited to participate. Quentin Duley, Bryce Jennings, Brad Hailey, Grant Osborn, Brendan Smith, and Kenny Summa were the contestants. Those participating were judged on the following categories: Q & A and formal wear, talent, and a lip sync song of their choice. Grant Osborn was crowned Mr. Bulldog, while Bryce Jennings was named Best Dressed, and Brendan Smith Mr. Congeniality. The event took place on Sunday, November 19th at 6 pm in the gym. FCCLA did this as a community service project by bringing together the community for a fun-filled evening as well as by

asking for a non-perishable food item as entry to the event. The junior high and high school cheerleaders also performed to provide commercial breaks. Senior FCCLA Treasurer Kalie Peterson said, "We were very excited about the Mr. Bulldog event this year and hoped that it would help bring our community together and get more involvement from the rest of the school. We had a great time at the regional meeting in October and we look forward to what the rest of the year has to offer!" When asked what has been the best part of FCCLA this year, Sophomore member Sydney Mattson commented, "The regional meeting was really fun; I enjoyed the speaker the best. I think the turnout for the Mr. Bulldog pageant was great and it brought the community together just like we had hoped it would!"



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JH Bulldogs Finish with 10-2 Record

By Skylar Shanks
Staff Reporter

The junior high boys played against North Nodaway on October 17 at home. The boys had a very successful first win with a total score of 40-8. Tyler Schwebach made the most points of the night with 13 points. The other points were scored by Korbin Fletchall with 10, Austin Schwebach and Landon Marticke with 7 each, and Ben Messner with 3.

The boys' second game was on October 24 at home with a victory against King City with a total score of 35-29. Tyler Schwebach again led the scoring, this time with 15 points. Austin Schwebach scored 10, Landon Marticke chipped in 5, Korbin Fletchall scored 4, and Ben Messner scored 1.

The Bulldogs battled the Worth County Tigers at home on October 26. The boys extended their winning streak, winning 32-24. Austin Schwebach made a total of 14 points; Tyler Schwebach contributed 8, Korbin Fletchall and Ben Messner 4, and Landon Marticke earned 2.

The Bulldogs traveled to Jefferson on October 30 to take on the Platte Valley Eagles. Landon Marticke scored the most points of the night with 12, while both Tyler and Austin Schwebach racked up 10. Adam Jensen and Ben Messner recorded 4, and Korbin Fletchall 2. That led the Bulldogs to another victory, 42-20.

On October 31 the Dawgs went to Ravenwood. Stanberry once again triumphed, ending with a 35-24 victory. Tyler Schwebach had the most points of the night at 10, Austin Schwebach with 9, Korbin Fletchall and Landon Marticke with 6, and Ben Messner 4.

On November 2 the Dawgs hosted North Andrew. Austin Schwebach had the highest points of the night with 10, Landon Marticke earned 8, Tyler Schwebach scored 5, and Korbin Fletchall 4, but the boys didn't score enough to beat the Cardinals. That led that Bulldogs to their first loss of the season at 27-39.

The week of November 6-11 the Bulldogs competed in the King City Tournament. The boys' first match of the week was North-east Nodaway. Stanberry again defeated the Bluejays, this time 35-30. Landon Marticke scored the most points of the night at 15, Tyler Schwebach contributed 10, Austin

Schwebach had 6, Korbin Fletchall scored 4, and Ben Messner knocked down 2 points.

The boys' second game at the King City Tournament was against North Andrew. Landon Marticke had the most points of the night with 10, Austin Schwebach scored 4, Tyler Schwebach chipped in 3, and Ben Messner 2, but the Dawgs couldn't beat the Cardinal with a total score of 21-42.

The Stanberry boys still had a chance to place third in the King City tournament; all they had to do was defeat the Albany Warriors. Austin Schwebach had an amazing high score of 17 points of the night; Ben Messner earned 9, Landon Marticke 7, and Tyler Schwebach scored 3. That led the boys to a successful victory with a score of 42-22, earning the team third in the King City Tournament.

On November 14 the boys traveled to Albany to take on the Warriors again. Tyler Schwebach had the most points of the night with 14, Ben Messner scored 11, Landon Marticke 10, Austin Schwebach 6, and Adam Jensen 2. The Dawgs once again defeated Albany, this time with a final score of 48-25.

November 16 the Bulldogs hosted the Maysville Wolverines. Stanberry trounced Maysville by 30 points, 47-17. Austin Schwebach scored the most points of the night with 18; Tyler Schwebach and Landon Marticke each knocked down 11 points; Gavin Cameron, Adam Jensen, Korbin Fletchall, and Lance Wallace all scored 2 points in the victory.

The final game of the year was November 21 against South Harrison. Austin Schwebach and Landon Marticke had the most points of the night with 8 each, Tyler Schwebach and Ben Messner both scored 6, and Korbin Fletchall scored 4. That led the Bulldogs to their last win of the season with a total score of 32-14. Good season, boys! When asked who their biggest competition this year was, Austin Schwebach declared, "I think our biggest competition this year was North Andrew because they gave us a run for our money. Even though they were both close games, we lost." When asked how their season went this year Korbin Fletchall responded, "I think our season this year has went very well. North Andrew gave us quite a challenge. We ended the season 10-2, which we are very happy with."

JH Ladies Wrap Up Season with Win

By Tyra Grayson
Staff Reporter

The junior high girls played against North Nodaway on October 17th at home. The girls successfully won their first with a score of 46-14. Tarynn Mattson made the most points of the night with 16 points. The other points were scored by Sadie Runde with 10, and Lexi Craig and Kiley Mattson with 8 points each.

The girls' second game was on October 24th at home with another success against King City with a total score of 27-22. Tarynn Mattson scored the most points of the night with 12 points. The other points were scored by Lexi Craig and Kiley Mattson with 5 points and Astasia Brown with 3 points.

The lady Bulldogs had a victory against Worth County with a score of 43-2 on October 26th. Tarynn Mattson had the most points with 14 points. The other points were scored by Lexi Craig with 12 points, Sadie Runde with 8 points, Bailey Wallace with 4 points, Kiley Mattson with 3 points and Addison Shanks with 2 points.

The Bulldogs traveled to Jefferson on October 30th and won 38-35. Sadie Runde had the most points with 11 points. The other points were scored by Lexi Craig with 8 points, Tarynn Mattson with 7 points, Kiley Mattson with 6 points, Astasia Brown with 4 points and Addison Shanks with 2 points.

On October 21st the Dawgs went to Ravenwood and had another victory with the score of 48-2. Lexi Craig and Sadie Runde scored the most points with 12 points. The other points were scored by Addison Shanks with 6 points, Tarynn Mattson and Astasia Brown with 5 points, Braxton Shanks with 4 points, Kiley Mattson and Bailey Wallace with 2 points.

On November 2, the Bulldogs had their first lost by North Andrew; it was a close one, 19-24. Lexi Craig scored the most points with 7 points. The other points were scored by Tarynn Mattson and Kiley Mattson with 4 points, Sadie Runde and Bailey Wallace with 2 points.

The week of November 6-11 the Bulldogs competed in the King City tourna-

ment. The girls first match of the week was Ravenwood. Stanberry again defeated Bluejays with the total score of 46-7. Tarynn Mattson had the leading score with 14 points. The others were scored by Lexi Craig with 10 points, Kiley Mattson with 9 points, Bailey Wallace and Katie Angle with 4 points, Addison Shanks with 2 points and Sadie Runde with 1 point.

The girls' second game at the King City tournament was against North Andrew. The lady Bulldogs were unable to beat the Cardinals, 27-35. Tarynn Mattson had the leading points with 12 points. The others were scored by Lexi Craig with 9 points, Sadie Runde and Kiley Mattson with 2 points, Bailey Wallace and Astasia Brown with 1 point.

The girls' third game in the King City tournament was against Union Star; Stanberry won decisively 36-17. The lady Bulldogs got third place overall in the King City tournament.

On November 14th the Bulldogs traveled to Albany. The Bulldogs got a victory with the overall score 44-14. Tarynn Mattson and Kiley Mattson had the leading scores with 10 points. The others were scored by Lexi Craig and Sadie Runde with 7 points, Braxton Shanks with 5 points, Astasia Brown with 3 points, and Bailey Wallace with 2 points.

November 16th the Bulldogs played against Maysville at home and lost 18-38. Tarynn Mattson had the leading score with 7 points. The others were scored by Lexi Craig with 5 points, Astasia Brown with 3 points, Kiley Mattson with 2 points and Sadie Runde with 1 point. The final game of the year was November 21st against South Harrison. The Bulldogs ended their last game with a win with 41-27. Tarynn Mattson with the leading score of 14 points. The others were scored by Lexi Craig with 13 points, Sadie Runde with 10 points and Astasia Brown with 4 points. Tarynn Mattson said "We tried our hardest and put 100% effort in all of our games. I think this season went pretty good because we played together as a team instead of individually." Sadie Runde said, "My goals for this season werre to get better as a team and have fun. My advice I could give to somebody wanting to play basketball would be to practice because it will pay off and don't give up even when it gets hard."

Adversity is Inevitable, Defeat is Optional

By Sam Oldham
Staff Reporter

As we are beginning our 2017 wrestling season, the Bulldog wrestling team is prepared and ready to dominate on and off the mat. Among the team there is a great deal of confidence and preparation that will be utilized this season. Head coach Jason Dias says, "I am very excited for this upcoming season, as everyone is a year older. The work that everyone put in over the summer should be reflected throughout the course of the season. My goals for the team would be to win 20 duels, to place in the top 5 in the district tournament, compete in a conference title, and have a good showing at the state

tournament." This year we will also have an assistant coach, Stanberry wrestling alumnus Dakota Messner. The roster includes freshmen Dustin Jensen, Evan Saxton, and Will Wood; juniors Jessica Claibourn, Abigail Davis, Mark Donaldson, Rueben Gage, Mateo Messner, Sam Oldham, Zack Oldham, Dylon Pappert, Trey Schieber; and seniors John Shanks and Kenny Summa, for a total of 14 wrestlers. The weight classes that we will have difficulty filling are 220 and heavyweight. This year's team will be one of the largest teams that the Stanberry High School has had in quite a few years. Managers for the team will be Geena Stoll, Skylar Shanks, and Hallie Law. An average practice for the team is around 2 hours long.

During our practices we drill our moves in the top, bottom, and neutral positions. After drilling we occasionally do some conditioning by doing stations. Most of our conditioning comes from the fast paced drilling we do in the neutral position for the first hour of practice.

Senior Kenny Summa's prediction about the season: "The season will be phenomenal; I've seen a great deal of improvement of the team as a whole. I feel like our strengths definitely outweigh our weaknesses, if we even have any. I believe we will be able to dominate on and off the mat".

Reuben Gage, a junior, on off-season preparation, said, "I have gone to wrestling camps such as the Purler Wrestling acade-

my and the Tiger style team camp. I have practiced under 2 Olympic wrestlers, Tony Purler and J'den Cox, so I believe I have had an extensive amount of preparation for this season".

Freshman Will Wood said about his lack of experience, "I will have to make up for the past years that I haven't wrestled but I still believe I can do very well this season".

Returning state qualifier John Shanks declared, "As a team we will have close to a full roster, and I think we can win more duels than we have in the past. As an individual goal i would like to place 1st at districts and medal in the state championship. I see a lot of potential in our team this year".

Stanberry Football Boys Make it to the Post-Season

But Fall Short of State

By Rueben Gage
Staff Reporter



Cole Durbin hands off the ball to John Shanks for the 2-point conversion.

Heading into the post-season, the Stanberry football team was going on strong with 9 wins and 1 loss. They won the first round of playoffs against Albany at Stanberry with a final score of 78-26 on October 20th. Trey

Back in the Paint

By Grant Osborn
Staff Reporter

The Stanberry basketball teams are coming back from a successful year last year both placing second in districts in class 2. The girls are returning seniors Rylee Ellis, Madelyn Luke, Jaden McKune, Taylor McQueen, Kalie Peterson; juniors Peyton Gage, Tyra Grayson, Allison Marticke, Kierstyn McMillen, Lily Osborn, Madi Sager; sophomores Elle Ellis, Sydney Mattson, Ashley Peterson, and adding to the roster freshmen Andaya Brown, Riley McQueen, Katlyne Pappert, and Morgan Wallace.

When asked about the upcoming season Coach Karla McQueen said, "I'm really excited about this season. With returning lots of leadership and experience, we are looking forward to a successful season."

The boys have seven seniors returning: Austin Kidder, Bradley Hailey, Bryce Jennings, Kaden Bremer, Levi Murphy, Mitchell Carroll, and Grant Osborn. Juniors include Cole Durbin, Tristen Lager, Grady Mattson, Elijah Murphy, Brian Medina, and Aiden Gregory. Sophomores are Kameron Wallace, Hunter Johnson, Braylee Woods, Tanner Derks, and Drew Johnson. Freshmen are Collin Sager and Clayton McKune. Coach Nick Groomer said, "I very excited about this season. We have a lot of unknowns, and I am looking forward to seeing the team improve. This is the first year in a while that we haven't returned lots of varsity experience, but I have been impressed with the work we have put in so far. Our goal this season is to get better each and every day. Hopefully, by the time district play comes, we are playing to our potential."

Schieber led the game with 219 rushing yards and 4 touchdowns, and John Shanks had 102 rushing yards with 2 touchdowns. Cole Durbin had 79 yards with 1 touchdown, and Rueben Gage had 69 yards with 1 touchdown. Hunter Johnson scamp-ered in for 11 yards, along with Brian Medina with 4 yards and Collin Sager with 1 yard. The Bulldogs came out against Albany with a total of 485 yards!

On October 27, the Bulldogs traveled to Rock Port to take on the undefeated Blue Jays. Trey Schieber made a statement on kick return, bringing the ball all the way to the house, and

John Shanks walked in with the 2 point conversion. RockPort fired back with a touch-down pass, but the two point conversion failed. The Dawgs started off the first half of the game close to Rock Port with a score of 38-34. Stanberry stepped their game up the third quarter and scored a 8 yard touchdown to start it off. After that, the Bulldogs dominated the game and ended it with a final score of 76-34 and walked on with a record of 10-1. Trey Schieber had a total of 156 rushing yards and 3 touchdown, and Cole Durbin had 108 yards with 2 touchdowns. John Shanks had a total of 86 rushing yards with one touchdown, and Rueben Gage added 50 yards rushing with 1 touchdown. Brad Hailey had a total of 52 receiving yards, and Levi Murphy had 9 yards of re-ceiving with 1 touchdown. The Bulldogs had a total of 407 rushing yards!

On November 3, the Bulldogs played the Worth County Tigers and fell to a final score of 22-44. Although the Bulldogs lost to Worth County, they played very well against them and fired off at the start of the game to the best of their ability. Cole Durbin started off the game with a 70 yard touchdown, and John Shanks ran in with the 2. The Bulldogs ended the first quarter leading 14-8. The Tigers scored immediately the third quarter, but Durbin fired back with another touch-



Rueben Gage clears a path for Brian Medina.

down run putting the score 22-38. The Tigers finished the game ending it 22-44 despite the fact that the Bulldogs played their hearts out. Cole Durbin had a total of 145 yards with 2 touchdowns, John Shanks had



Trey Schieber makes his way through the defense against Rock Port.

a total of 30 yards with 1 touchdown, Trey Schieber had a total of 53 yards ,and finally Rueben Gage had a total of 5 yards to add on. The Bulldogs had a total of 253 rushing yards. Trey Schieber was the leading tackler with 10 unassisted tack-les and 7 assist- ed, Brad Hailey had 8 unassisted and 4 assisted, Levi Murphy had 5 unassisted and 10 assisted, and finally Hunter Johnson had 6 unassisted and 4 assisted.

As disappointing the out- come was, Coach Shane Hilton declared, "As a coaching staff we couldn't ask for anything more than the effort our boys gave versus Worth County. The second time around, they put it to us in the regular season and through their hard work and effort we were able to play a great game in the re-match."

Two of the senior lead-ers and captains had some things to say about the outcome of the game. Levi Murphy stated, "It's not how we planned the game out, but we fought hard, and I think we were the harder hitting team of the night. I think everyone who played laid it all on the line and played one heck of a game."

Brad Hailey also stated, "Even though we lost, I felt we had a lot of heart on the



The Stanberry defense hammers the Worth County Tigers in the final game of the season.

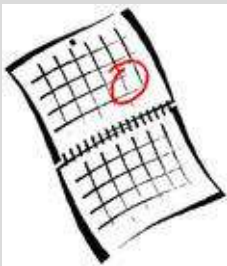


Vince Carroll takes down the Albany ball carrier.

field, and if a few more things would have gone our way, it would have been a different result." Coach Shane Hilton also stated about the entire season that, "I felt that we had a very successful season this year. We had several holes to fill when the season started, and it was sweet to see all the different boys step up. We grew as a team each week and were playing our best football at the end of the year." Once again, great job to the Stanberry football boys on their season and good luck for their next!

Activities

November 27-December 2-
V Basketball Albany Tournament
December 4-
7-12 Winter Concert 7:00
December 5-
Elementary Winter Concert 7:00
December 7-
Winter Group Photos 8:30
JV & V Basketball @ NE Nodaway 5:00
December 8-
V Basketball @ Bishop LeBlond 6:00
December 9-
V Wrestling @ Polo 9:00
ACT Test
All-District Band Clinic & Concert 8:00
December 12-
JV & V Basketball @ Albany 5:00
December 14-
V Wrestling @ Albany Quad 5:30
JV Basketball w/ Albany 6:00
December 15-
JV & V Basketball w/ Braymer 5:00
SPORTSWARMING
December 16-
JV Basketball Shootout @ King City 10:00
December 18-
Board of Education Meeting 7:00
December 19-
JV & V Basketball w/ N. Harrison 5:00
December 20-
SCHOOL DISMISSED 12:25
End of 2nd Quarter
December 21-January 4-
NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK



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Artists of the Month

By Sierra Wagner
Staff Reporter



Second grader Lucian Simmerman said, "Even though I messed up on the heart, I just made it two different colors to make it look good."



Tess Edson, a second grader, stated, "I really like art. I like to draw and we did this project for the Veterans."



Third grader Dalton Taylor declared, "I always wanted to be an artist. Drawing is fun; in this project I really liked the colors we used since it was for Veterans Day."



Fifth grader Paige Woods said, "I really liked how we did the different kinds of strips with the flags colors, and I really like the water paint through the different colors."

Book Review

An Ember in the Ashes by

Sabaa Tahir

Review by Alexis Simmerman



In a post-apocalyptic world, a war has ended with the defeat of Scholars. Scholars are a people who believe knowledge and logic hold the only power that matters. The Martials are the opposite: trained from childhood, they rely on the physical strength and weapons to seize power. The Martials now control the Scholars.

The two peoples live separately unless the Martials suspect treason. In response to this, the Martials raid Scholar houses, where they do one of three things: kill, imprison, or enslave. Three thousand Martial children attend Blackcliff, a training school. At Blackcliff, children train to become Masks, who are responsible for taking disciplinary action on rebellious Scholars.

Laia and her brother, Darin, are the sole survivors of their immediate family. Their parents were the leaders of the Resistance, a Scholar rebel group. Twelve years ago, their parents and twelve-year-old sister were captured and executed by the Martials. Now, Laia and Darin live with their Nan and Pop, their father's parents. Darin has a talent for drawing, and he keeps a sketchbook. Lately, the sketchbook has become dangerous. Darin has been sneaking into Martial buildings to draw their weapons.

Suspicious come true when Martials raid their house because of the sketchbook. They kill Nan and Pop, take Darin, and let Laia run while they burn the house. Laia is left with a decision: move on or fight. She makes her choice when she goes looking for the Resistance.

Elias is a student at Blackcliff. He is a Skull, which means this is the last year before he graduates. Elias has a secret, though. He is not loyal to the Martials. He plans to escape after Graduation to live in the free lands. He believes Scholars are equals and shouldn't be mistreated the way they are. His greatest challenge will be getting past his mother.

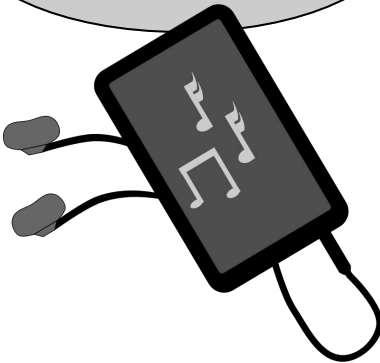
Elias's mother is the Commandant and is therefore in charge of the students at Blackcliff. It wouldn't be such a problem if she didn't have a personal hatred for her son. If anything would stop Elias, it would be her; and when she caught him, she would kill him without another thought.

The plot thickens when Laia and Elias end up in the same household, both keeping deadly secrets and trying to find a way out of seemingly impossible situations.

I loved this book. It had the perfect enticing plot with characters who have long since lost their innocence. They have to do many wrongs in order to obtain their freedom. Laia's story tells of a coward turned heroine, and Elias's tells of the secret passions of a cold killer. With so many conflicts, setbacks, and successes, the story never grows old and is forever thrilling. It is definitely one of my favorites, and I have to put forth energy just to restrain until I can read its sequel, *A Torch Against the Night*.



In Tune



By JR Telan
Staff Reporter

I've been listening to some random music through the web lately. I discovered a unique type of playing or making music, making music through a series of floppy disks and cd roms. Pawel Zadrozniak has created this thing he calls the "Floppotron"; you can look up his website and see his process of making it(<http://silent.org.pl/>). What makes it unique is that it makes a sound akin to techno/synth wave, all of this coming from a series of synchronized taps and sounds coming from disk drives and floppy disks, all of it being run a series of complex commands and other strange and unique devices. This guy is a super Geek; he knows how to setup and upgrade his own strange contraption. But the best cover he has done is "Through the Fire and Flames" by Dragonforce. This cover pushes the limit of the Floppotron; you can see it starting to make creaks and overheat due to the smoke coming out of its open vents and the staggering number of commands being sent, as there is a monitor.



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