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PHEASANT FOCUS

24-25 Sideline Cheerleaders Chosen

by Charli Jungwirth

Leading the Crowds

Mrs. Angie Falk, sideline cheer coach, recently held cheer tryouts for the upcoming school year. Students who were interested in joining the cheer team met in the Greeno building on April 2 and April 6.

Twelve high school girls attended tryouts, but there were only eight positions to be filled on the cheer team.

The students who tried out for the cheer team were graded on the quality of their jumps and tumbling skills. They were judged on three different cheers, and they also got graded on their knowledge and performance of the school song.

The athletes who made the 2024-2025 sideline cheer team include juniors Jadie Turner, Adalyn Stoner and Brynnley Neuharth; sophomores Jerica Ratigan, Kyleigh Akin and MaKayla Schulz; and freshmen Amelia Sjurseth and Emeri Hofeman.

All of the girls who made the team will be the upcoming sideline cheerleaders for the Pheasants football and basketball teams next season.

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Redfield Mayor Declares April 13th "Elijah Morrissette Day"

by Brooklyn Rische

Redfield Mayor Frank Schwartz and three city council members met at Mr. Joel Osborn's classroom on Tuesday, April 16, for a surprise presentation. Morrisette's parents, Joe and Lori, were also present for the event.

Schwartz presented a Mayoral Proclamation stating that April 13, 2024, is "Elijah Morrissette Day."

Classmate and teammate Kevin Weller came up with the idea of recognizing Morrissette after he after he pitched a perfect game against Hamlin on April 13.

Twelve batters stepped up to the plate, and Morrissette struck out each one of them, allowing no hits, no walks, and no base-runners. Morrissette's pitching led the Redfield

Hamlin.

Muskrats to a 15-0 win against Hamlin to start out their season on a strong note. "I was really sur-

Mayoral Proclamation. (above) Redfield mayor Frank Schwartz presents

Elijah Morrissette with the Mayoral Proclamation marking April 13, 2024,

as "Elijah Morrissette Day" in recognition of pitching a perfect game against

prised when this happened during our government class. I wasn't expecting it," Morrissette said.

Students Tour NSU Anatomy Lab

by Brynnley Neuharth

On Monday, April 15, the honors physiology students attended the NSU lab tour with their teacher, Mrs. Mara Fredrick.

On their tour, the students were able to see human cadavers and other labs within the science building. It has been required that the anatomy and physiology students attend a human cadaver lab in the springtime.

The tour also consisted of showing the students biology lab rooms, chemistry lab rooms, research rooms, and a greenhouse room where students at NSU create plants for science projects.

Students were able to get insight as to what it may be like to become a college student who is wanting to major in anything related to the science field.

Senior Cameron Scalf said, "I thought touring the science building was interesting. It was definitely something different, but it was cool to see."







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SADD Members Attend Leadership Conference

by Addisyn Evans

The Peer Leadership Conference was held on March 21-22 in Watertown. This conference is available for all FCCLA, FBLA, FFA, and SADD groups to attend.

The overall goal of the Peer Leadership Conference is to make everyone feel included and welcomed. In total, 260 kids were present. From the RHS SADD chapter, 13 out of 28 members went.

Showing Off the Super Powers. Seventh grader Summit Sjurseth, second year SADD member poses with his super hero mask that he decorated during the Peer Leadership Conference. The theme of the conference was to show off each member's super powers. The conference is an annual event that happens every spring to bring together SADD chapters throughout South Dakota.

Jack Mills, Amelia Sjurseth, and Piper Garisson were on the advisory board, which included a group of students who organized the conference, introduced guest speakers and planned breakout sessions.

The key speakers for the event included Mike Oster and Kevin Wanzer. Additionally, there were three breakout sessions. These sessions included learning self-defense from a professional team, learning how to build self-success, and learning about the dangers of vaping.

SADD adviser Christina Fink said, "I thought the conference went well. We had quite a few students who went and there was a variety of different learning opportunities for students as well some great team building opportunities."

Stay ALL IN -Don't Check Out!

The final quarter of the school year is full of activities and events to go to. Staying focused while completing work is im-



DS portant at the end of the long school year. Keeping up with your homework - especially when summer is almost here - can be difficult. Students can lose focus at the end of the school year, but it is important

to stay on task and finish off the school year right. Balancing school and spring activities is important when trying to stay focused on school work. Giving myself extra time to complete all of my assignments when I have other activities to focus on allows me to finish out the school year.





Getting the Work Done. Juniors Jaci Hofeman, Jadie Turner and Brooklyn Rische get their work done together by disecting a sheep brain in their anatomy lab.

Band Travels to NSU for Large Group Contest

On March 27, the high school band traveled to the Johnson Fine Arts center on the campus of Northern State University in Aberdeen.

The band competed at 8:30 in front of judges; sixteen other schools from the area also performed.

Mr. Unruh chose three pieces for the band to perform, including: "Novena," "Majestia," and "The Washington Post March."

On March 21-23, Deven Fliehe attended All State Band at T.F. Riggs High School in Pierre.

Band members include (front) Jerica Ratigan, Chloe Appel, Amelia Sjurseth, Kenny Colbenson, (row 2) Cora Kruger, Darien Dey, MaKayla Schulz, Derrick Bogart, Lorena Evans, (row 3) Nic Becker, Alex Shottenkirk, Layne Moore, Aleah Bebo, Emeri Hofeman, Jaxon Ethridge, Ella Rude, Luke Rowenhorst, Chase Haar, (back row) Micah Zastrow, Connor Gruenwald, Kinley Smith, Cecilia Suchor and Brannigan Mortensen.



Students Attend FBLA State Leadership Conference

by Katie Rozell

On Sunday, April 7, members of FBLA and adviser Tommy Gregg headed to Sioux Falls to attend the State Leadership Conference.

On Sunday, the chapter attended an ice cream social and talent show where Chace Haar won the People's Choice award for the best act.

On Monday morning, the students attended meetings, competed in competitive events, and attended various workshops.

"The Catitude Café workshop showed me how businesses can be used to have fun. The owner explained the steps she took to open the café which showed me how a business is opened," sophomore Kinley Smith said.

On Tuesday, the students who placed in contests received their awards of excellence.

Deven Fliehe placed 1st in Cyber Security and Computer Problem Solving, 2nd in Word processing, and 5th in Personal Finance. Kevin Weller placed 2nd

in Insurance and Risk Management and 4th in Personal Finance. Keely Hawkins placed 4th in Business Law and Cyber Security. Grace Lemmer placed 2nd in Accounting 1. Hannah Lemmer placed 3rd in Digital Video Production. Micah Zastrow placed 1st in Intro to Business Economics. Jadie Turner placed 1st in the chapter Scrapbook competition. The Hospitality/Event Management team consisting of Brooklyn Rische, Addy Stoner and

Jadie Turner took 2nd place.

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Out of 19 schools Redfield placed 6th in competitive events.

After the awards were presented, the new state officers were installed. Brooklyn Rische was installed as South Dakota's State FBLA Historian for the 2024-25 school year.

"I am grateful for the opportunity to be a state officer and meet new people. I am looking forward to the upcoming year and all the things we will accomplish," Brooklyn Rische said.



State FBLA. Members of the RHS FBLA chapter gather on the steps at the motel where the state convention was held.

Students Attend FCCLA State Leadership Conference

by Lorena Evans

On April 21, the Redfield FCCLA chapter traveled to Sioux Falls for their state conference. Members of the chapter competed in their star events against other FC-CLA members from around the state.

Advancing to Nationals in Seattle, Washington, from June 29-July 3 were Emeri Hofeman (1st Place in Event Managment Level 2), Kyleigh Disbrow (SD State Jr High Representative), Hannah Lemmer (Digital Stories for Change Level 2) and Zoe Zastrow (1st place in Focus on Children Level 1).

While at state, the members had the chance to go to various workshops and had the opportunity to volunteer at the Feeding South Dakota program.

While at state, members attended three general sessions. One of the sessions featured guest speaker Kelly Patterson telling her story about how she escaped sex trafficking and how her life has been since then. She introduced them to her book, "From Trafficked to Treasured."

On the second day, many members of the Redfield FC-CLA chapter had to present their star events. After the presentation they left for lunch at the mall before returning for their second general session where the eight goals of FC-

CLA were discussed. "I had a really fun time going to the state convention; it is probably one of my favorite things I look forward to each year. I feel that being able to speak in front of people and do projects really helped me get out of my comfort zone and be more involved," Emeri Hofeman said.

Sugar Shockers.

Juniors Brooklyn Rische and Jadie Turner display their presentation that demonstrates how much sugar is in many of the foods and beverages that children consume. They received a Gold rating in Focus on Children - Level 3.



Senior Spotlight

Carmen Herrera is the daughter of Viviana Appel and



Ralph Herrera. She has been involved in FCCLA (4 years), FBLA (3 years), basketball (4 years), and track (2 years). Carmen enjoys FBLA the most because she enjoys making memories and learning business with her friends. Something that

she will miss the most after she graduates is having fun with her friends in classes as well as seeing her favorite teachers. Some "words of wisdom" Carmen would give to underclassmen would be, "Join as many extracurricular activities as you can and make the memories with your friends it will be worth it." After Carmen graduates, she plans on attending SDSU.

Devin Fliehe is the son of Darwin and Denise Fliehe.



Devin has been involved in band for 6 years and enjoys it because he loves getting to make music and learning the instruments. Devin's biggest accomplishment he is proud of is getting 3rd chair in all state band. Three

things that Devin must do in his lifetime are drive a racecar, learn how to play the organ, and play an organ. A motto that guides him is, "Find someone to spend the rest of your life with and you'll have no regrets". After graduating, Devin plans on attending DSU for cyber security.

Kadi Schnabel is the daughter of Wesley and Amanda



Schnabel. She has one brother: Jaden. Her hobbies include listening to music, hanging out with friends, along with driving around. The class she has enjoyed the most at RHS is wildlife and fishers because she liked doing kahoots. A motto

that guides her is "Count your blessings, not your problems" – Drake. After graduating, she plans on attending Lake Area for Occupational Therapy Assisting.

Evan Jaton is the son of Jason and Tessa Jaton. At



RHS, he has been involved in football (3 years), wrestling (1 year), and FFA (4 years). A class that Evan has enjoyed the most at RHS is art because he's had it for the last four years and Ms. Bottum tries to convince him that he's good at it. Something

that Evan will miss after he graduates is homecoming week. A few "words of wisdom" that Evan would give to the underclassmen would be, "High school flies by faster than you know it does, enjoy it while it lasts." After graduation, he is undecided about his plans.

Redfield FFA Attends State Convention at SDSU

by Brooklyn Rishce

On Thursday, April 18, the Redfield FFA State CDE qualifiers traveled to Brookings for the 2024 State FFA Convention. Members who qualified for Nationals are the Poultry Team which includes Evan Jaton, Elden Blume, Benson Beckler and Kevin Weller. They placed first as a team with Elden Blume placing 2nd individually, Evan Jaton placing 5th individually, Benson Beckler receiving bronze and Kevin Weller receiving silver.

Elden Blume received STAR in Agribusiness, 1st place in Poultry Proficiency, and 2nd place in Diversified Crop Production. He will compete at Nationals in Poultry Proficiency. Seven seniors were awarded their State Degrees: Benson Beckler, Elden Blume, Lilly Blume, Evan Jaton, Grady Fey, Justin Ratigan and Kevin Weller.

Other students who competed at the state convention were the Food Science team, which placed 10th as a team. Members included Brooklyn Rische, who placed 6th, Karlie Brabant and Chloe Zens, who received bronze, and Ella Rude also competed with the team. Lilly Blume competed in Floriculture. For the AG Business team, Grady Fey received bronze and Chase Frericks also competed. The Horse Evaluation team received a bronze as a team. Members of this team included Tia Esser, Addi Rice, and Grace Lemmer who all received bronze, and Aleah Bebo also competed. Collin Dean and Brooklyn

Rische also attended as District VI Officers.

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Brooklyn Rische, Chloe Zens, Ella Rude and Karlie Brabant also competed in the Farmer's Union Quiz Bowl.

"I was extremely proud of all our students. A majority of them placed and all three of our teams received a Bronze, Silver, or Gold. Our future is also looking bright!" adviser Mr. Bradley Cihak said.





Going for Gold.

(above) Seniors Benson Beckler, Evan Jaton, Elden Blume and Kevin Weller pose with adivser, Mr. Bradley Cihak after being awarded first place Gold for their Poultry Team. Their scores qualify them to go to Nationals next fall. Blume finished 2nd, Jaton finished 5th, Weller received silver and Beckler received Bronze. State FFA.

Those attending include (front) Grace Lemmer, Karlie Brabant, Brooklyn Rische, Chloe Zens, Aleah Bebo, (middle) Tia Esser, Benson Beckler, Evan Jaton, Addyson Rice, Lilly Blume, (back) Kevin Weller, Elden Blume, Grady Fey, Chase Frericks, Collin Dean and Ella Rude-Peterson.

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Senior Spotlight

Jude George is the son of Adam Roger and Kari



George. He has one sibling: Nohe. An accomplishment that he is proud of is holding a good job. Jude has worked at Leo's Good Food for one year. His hobbies include being outside

and listening to music. Jude's favorite memories have included meeting his friends and eating lunch with them every day. Three things he must do in his lifetime include having kids, having an enjoyable job, and going to Japan. Jude lives by the belief that he can always go farther. One piece of advice he would give underclassmen is to enjoy school. After Jude graduates, he plans on attending Mitchell Tech but is undecided on a major.

Jersey Morrison is the daughter of Nakayla Morrison.



She has one brother, Bentley Hartman. She has been involved in volleyball (10 years), softball (13 years), basketball (7 years), track (4 years), FCCLA (3 years), FBLA (2 years) and

church youth group (7 years). Jersey enjoys softball the most because her team has been very successful, and they have gotten along very well. She has worked at the Redfield City Pool for 3 years. A class that she has enjoyed the most has been anatomy and physiology because it was hands-on and interesting along with helpful. Three things she must do in her life are have a big family, ride in a hot air balloon, and get a hairless cat. Jersey plans on attending NSU for nursing.

Ian Reinbold is the son of Jaimie and Tim Reinbold.



He has one brother: Liam. Ian and his family also have two cats; their names are Dum-Dum and Deded. Ian's favorite color is gray, and his favorite movie is Disney's *Cars 2*. He enjoys listening to all kinds of music

and doesn't have any one particular favorite that he likes the most. Ian's favorite food is Parmesan Cheese Noodle Pasta Roni. In the summer, he enjoys relaxing at home.

FBLA Holds Spring Blood Drive

On Wednesday, March 27, FBLA held their second blood drive of the year. Although 36 people volunteered to donate blood, only 28 were able to give. Altogether, 93 lives were saved.

The option to donate blood was available to students, teachers and community members. The Redfield FBLA blood drive has been a tradition that has gone on for over 20 years.

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"I like to donate blood every year because I want to contribute to my community, encourage others to donate blood and help save lives for those who have the same blood type as me," senior Carmen Herrera said.



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Giving Blood. Senior Carmen Herrera donates blood at the FBLA blood drive

Pheasant Softball Takes Two Home Wins

by Jadie Turner

On April 15, the Pheasants traveled to Clear Lake to play the Deuel Cardinals.

The ladies fell short of the win, ending with a final score of 4-14.

The starting varsity team consisted of 2 seniors, 2 juniors, 4 sophomores and 1 freshman.

Going back and forth for the first few innings, the ladies kept the score close until the game flipped at the bottom of the fourth.

Kylie Hermann and Kendyl Siebrecht each collected one hit for the team and six bases were stolen in total.

For the first ever school fastpitch softball game to be held in town, the Pheasants came out on top with two wins against Sisseton with the final scores 21-6 and 15-0.

The ladies ran on the base paths finishing the first game with 17 stolen bases. Chloe Zens gave up four hits and six runs while striking out three and walking one.

Starting out the second game, the Pheasant defense went three for three batters. At the bottom of the 1st inning, the Pheasants scored 14 runs.

In the second game Zens allowed two hits and zero runs, striking out four and walking none. The team mercy-ruled Sisseton twice to open their first home games of the season. For the second

game of the season, on April 11, the ladies traveled to Mt. Vernon/Plankington to face the Titans.

The Pheasants couldn't keep up and fell 11-4. Hermann led the team in hits with two hits in three at bats, and the Pheasants stole five bases and completed one double play.



One Pitch at a Time.

Chloe Zens launches off of the mound in hopes to pitch a perfect strike.

On April 4 the fastpitch softball team traveled for the first game in Pheasant history to battle the Sioux Valley Cossacks.

In the first inning of the game, the ladies started with the first three batters, Charli Jungwirth, Hayden Gall and Zens striking out at the plate.

On defense, Sioux Valley opened the score in the bottom of the first scoring one run. In the bottom of the fourth Makayla Schulz and Siebrecht got hits to put the Pheasants in the lead 2-1. The Pheasants did not score for the remainder of the game and fell to the Cossacks with a final score of 2-7.

"For being a brandnew team, I am so pleased on how far we've come. Each individual continues to improve daily as a team, we work together so well. I' so excited to see what we can accomplish this season," Zens said.

Senior Spotlight



Cameron Scalf is the son of Nick and Nicci Hacker. He has two brothers: Keaton and Gaige. Cameron's favorite memories of school include recess during elementary years, school getting shut down

from Covid during middle school, and Homecoming from his senior high years. His plans for the future include potentially becoming a firefighter or a plumber. Cameron's favorite class in high school was forensic science because he felt "that I learned a lot and it was interesting." Words of wisdom he would share are to "just pay attention in class. Don't miss school."

Melakye Paulsen is the son of Marvelle and Bob



Paulsen. His siblings include Denae, Nyakier and Octavia. Melakye participated in football for four years. His plans are to attend Lake Area Technical College in the fall. One of his favorite

memories from high school is playing dodgeball in his sophomore year PE class, which was taught by Mr. Oltmanns. Melakye's favorite class was biology because, "Mr. Olsen was the teacher, and we both enjoy bird-watching and have the same favorite bird: the Black Capped Chickadee." Melakye enjoys driving around and listening to music.

Alex Wren is the son of Angela and Tracy Wren. He



has one sister: Angel. Alex played football from sixth grade through his senior year. He plans on attending school at Western Wyoming for welding. Alex's recommendation

to underclassmen is "Try your best because you are already here and you might as well make the best of it." Alex will miss the people in school the most after he graduates. The motto that guides Alex is "Success is just a series of failures, but with each failure you learn something that you can apply to the next attempt."

Weather Delays Start for the Girls' Golf Team

by Addisyn Evans

As the golf season gets into full swing, the girls' golf team welcomes five new members.

Sixth graders Addi Hulscher and Allie Boothe, along with eighth graders Kalli Spotanske, Willa Wurtz and Willow Ronneberg joined the team. Additionally, there are two returning members, Grace Lemmer and Addisyn Evans.

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Practices began March 26 and were held inside the auxiliary gym due to poor weather conditions.

As the week progressed, the golfers were able to hit the course on April 5. However, due to rain and snow, the girls continued practicing in the gym.

Coach Tonja Jungwirth said, "Depending on the weather, we shoot for going to the driving range or the golf course. My biggest hope for this season, with all the new golfers, is that they learn the game of golf and enjoy golfing from here on out."

Due to wet ground conditions, the April 11 golf meet in Mobridge was canceled. Additionally, the

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time of 50.13. For

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ter relay Redfield

placed in the top

8 with a time of

(48.75), the relay

team included Jack-

son Sandoz, Noah

Becker, and Jacob

200- meter relay,

Redfield placed in

the top 8 with the

time of (1:45.79), the

relay team included

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For the boys 4 x

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Milbank invite was moved from April 16 to the 23. Due to the rescheduled date, the girls did not attend the meet.

Hulscher and Boothe will golf in the JV meet at Fishers Grove on Thursday the 25, while Evans, Lemmer, Spontaske, and Ronnenberg will compete at the varsity level at the home event.

Wind and Weather Affect Track Meets

by Carmen Herrera

On Monday, April the Redfield 15. track team traveled to Britton where they endured strong winds in 70-degree weather. The track meet was on a rolling schedule with field events starting at 2:00 and running events at 3:00; the meet ended at 8:00. In the girls 100-meter dash, Addyson Rice placed in the top 8 with the time of (14.67), as well in the open 200-meter dash with a time of (30.36).

In the 400-meter dash, Noa Sancho placed in the top 8 with the time of (1:08.38), she also placed 1st in the girls 3200-meter run with the time of (13:06.38).

In the 300-meter hurdles, Kaitlyn Rozell with the time of (58.58) and Adriana Bagola with the time of (1:02.52) placed in the top 8.

For the girls 4 x

100-meter relay Redfield placed in the top 8 with the time of (58.80), the girls in the relay team included Octavia Paulsen, Adriana Bagola, Miley Fey, and Addyson Rice.

For girls' high jump, Kaitlyn Rozell placed in the top 8 with the height of (4-08.00).

For boys 200- meter dash Jacob Buranen placed in the top 8 with the time of (24.95).

For the boys 400-meter dash Justin Ratigan placed in the top 8 with a time of (57.29).

For the boys' 300-meter hurdles Isaac Banister placed



team included Jacob Buranen, Micah Zastrow, Payton Moore, and Justin Ratigan.

For boys shot put and discus Elijah Morrissette placed in the top 8 with shot put distance of (44-04.00), discus distance of (117-07).

The track team so far has been to two other track meets: the first meet was on March 28 and was an indoor meet at Northern State University. At the Northern track meet it was considered a smaller meet because not many schools went to this, and there were no finals in any events. The team also traveled to Huron on April 5.

First Meet of the Season.

Boys' track team members gather at the NSU Indoor Meet on March 28 to begin their season. Cold weather, snow and rain affected the beginning of the season.

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THE PHEASANT CALL

Page 7 March Students of the Month

by Kinley Smith Grade 12: Alex Wren



Alex Wren is the son of Angela and Tracy Wren. He has one sibling: Angel (21). He also has two dogs and one cat. Alex is involved in football and track. In his free time, Alex works at Carpets Plus and likes to go fishing and hunting. His favorite class is P.E. because it allows him to move around in the day. For Alex, the most challenging class is government because there is a lot of material to remember, but he studies to overcome it. A goal he has set for himself is to graduate. Advice he would give to underclassmen is to never give up throughout high school. Alex's favorite season is winter because he likes the cold. His favorite band is *The Beatles*.

Grade 11: Jaci Hofeman

Grade 9: Emeri Hofeman



Iaci Hofeman

Denise Hofeman. She has three siblings: Jade (28), Kaden (20) and Emeri (15). Jaci is involved in student council, FBLA, FC-CLA and NHS. Her favorite class is anatomy and physiology because she likes learning about how the human body works. The class Jaci struggles the most with is math, but she overcomes this by asking for help when she needs it. Her favorite season is winter because she enjoys the snow, and it is close to Christmas time. One goal Jaci has made for herself is to get A's and B's in all of her classes. Advice she would give to underclassmen is to try in school, but remeber to have fun.

Jaci Hofeman is the daughter of David and

Grade 10: Karlie Brabant



Karlie Brabant

Karlie Brabant is the daughter of Matthew and Jessica Muellenberg. She has two siblings: Riley (19) and Kevin (14). She has one dog named Blue. Karlie is involved in volleyball, basketball, softball, FFA and student council. Karlie's hobbies include reading and playing sports. Her favorite class is animal science with Mr. Cihak because she likes the teacher and the classmates in it with her. Advice Karlie would give to underclassmen is to be involved in high school and have fun. Some of Karlie's favorites include homemade mac and cheese, Jessie Murph, The Miracle Season and the color blue.

Emeri Hofeman

Emeri Hofeman is the daughter of David and Denise Hofeman. She has three siblings: Jade (28), Kaden (20) and Jaci (17). Emeri has three cats and five goats. She is involved in FCCLA, student council, band and basketball cheer. Emeri also works at Leo's Good Food. The class she struggles with the most is math because "numbers are hard", but Emeri overcomes this by practicing equations and asking for extra help when she needs it. Advice she would give to underclassmen is to worry about yourself rather than worrying about what others say about you. Summer is Emeri's favorite season because of the nice weather.

Grade 8: Rollie Betten



Rollie Betten

Rollie Betten is the son of Jon and Erin Betten. He has three siblings: Collin (17), Tory (11) and Jhet (9). He also has one dog. Rollie's include hobbies hunting and fishing. One goal Rollie has set for himself is to get good grades and make new friends. His favorite food is steak.

Grade 7: Zariah Turnbill



Zariah Turnbill

Zariah Turnbill is the daughter of Rebecca and Jameson Nelson and Adam Turnbill. She has three siblings: Adriana (12), Willow (11) and Isabelle (7). Zariah's favorite season is spring because it is close to summer. Advice she would give to others is to always be yourself.

Grade 6: Braxon Maher



Braxon Maher

Braxon Maher is the son of Carisa and Dustin Maher. He has two siblings: Brynn (15) and Deagon (11). Braxon is involved in basketball, baseball, football and church activities. Some of his favorites include tacos, Jelly Roll and SpongeBob. His favorite class is math.

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