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All-Star Athlete

By: Jill Donnelly

Addison Ludwig was recently selected to play in the South Dakota State Volleyball All-Star game. Twenty-four girls from across the state were a part of this fun, friendly competition. Players were selected by their skill level and statistics from the recent volleyball season.

The twenty-four girls were divided into two teams based on their school's location. Players located north of Interstate 90 were on the North team, and players located south of Interstate 90 were on the South team. Each team was comprised of a mix of players from division B, A, and AA schools.



On Saturday, December 2nd, all team members met at Harrisburg North Middle School for a practice and team bonding. A banquet was held later that night to introduce and honor all the team members. The players

met again the next day for a breakfast that was followed by a speech given by a Fellowship of Christian Athletes representative. The players then had one last practice to prepare. Lunch was served at noon, and then the play-

ers got dressed for the game. Each player got to wear a customized "All-Star" jersey. Individual and team pictures were then taken.

Finally, the game began at 2 o'clock that Sunday afternoon. Individual competitions, like setting and hitting, were held between each set. The South team took the victory in just three sets. Ludwig was a part of the winning team, but states that this experience was more than the outcome of the game: "Being able to play with the best players in the state of South Dakota was such an honor and a fun experience I will never forget."

The Husky congratulates Addison for receiving this honor!

Senior Spotlights

This week our spotlights shine on Hunter Ryan Goehring and Garret Joseph Chicoine. Hunter and Garret are two of the forty-eight talented seniors who will graduate this May. EPJ wishes both Hunter and Garret a bright future filled with opportunities.



Hunter Goehring

Parents: Matt & Tami Goehring
Siblings: Tyler Goehring
Birthday: January 5, 2000
Future Plans: Attend a four-year college and go into turf management
Activities: Golf, baseball, basketball, track
School Accomplishments/Awards: Varsity letter winner, two-time state qualifier in golf; academic honor roll
Public Service/Community Activities: Help with serving food at my church
Kindergarten BFF: Tony Stewart
A Place I Have Always Wanted to Visit: Caribbean Sea
FAVORITES:
Quote: "When you're tired and sore and can't do more that's when you do more"
~Tim Grover.
School Memory: Being a part of the basketball team every time we sweep some opponent
Superhero: Batman
Book/Author: *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, by Jeff Kinney
Team: Nebraska Cornhuskers
Food/School Lunch: Chicken Nuggets
Holiday: Christmas
Class: Physics because Coach Terry is an awesome person



Garret Chicoine

Parents: Jessica Chicoine-Honomichl & Scott Honomichl
Siblings: Skylar Petrick, Callie Chicoine, RJ Chicoine
Birthday: April 8, 1999
Future Plans: College, farming, and the military
Activities: Wrestling, football
Kindergarten BFF: Jared Merkley
A Place I Have Always Wanted to Visit: France
FAVORITES:
Quote: "Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more." ~ William Shakespeare
Book/Author: *Lockdown*, by Alexander Smith
Team: Green Bay Packers
Food/School Lunch: Italian Dunkers
Holiday: Christmas
Class: Welding

One Act at a Time

By: Kelsie Olsen

On Monday, November 27th, and Tuesday, November 28th, auditions for Elk Point-Jefferson's one-act play were held in the high school study hall. An act is a segment of the play, and sometimes a play is separated into two acts with an intermission in between. A one-act play consists of only a single act.

This year, the one-act is a selection entitled *After Math*, written by Jonathan Dorf. The play starts in a classroom on the day of a test, just like any other normal day. Out of nowhere, though, a man and a woman, dressed in black suits, come into the class and ask to take Emmett out of class. His classmates immediately begin theorizing on what happened to Emmett and where he possibly could have

gone. They come up with a multitude of hypotheses as to what happened. As they try to figure out what is happening, they realize that no one actually knows Emmet that well.

EPJ's cast for this production consists of Emma Robinson, Matthew Giorgio, Elisabeth Peirce, Kelsie Olson, Jady Reed, Katherine Chicoine, Stone Vermilyea, Eric Nelson, Morgan Swanson, Josh Lehman, Emma Prouty, and Amanda Havermann.

The cast will compete in a competition for one-acts at Dakota Valley High School on January 23rd. Along with that, there will be performances at EPJ with dates that are yet to be determined. Rehearsals began on Monday, December 11th, and will continue until the upcoming performance dates.

Gearing Up for Winter

By: Jordan Von Seggern

The Elk Point-Jefferson Middle School just finished hosting their annual coat drive. The collection was put on by the Middle School Student Council and supervised by teachers Angie Langle and Marla Jo Meadows. The coat drive began on Monday, November 27th, and finished on Friday, December 1st.

Students and community members donated a total of 88 coats and snow pants, 82 hats, 69 pairs of gloves, and 29 scarves. All items collected were then

given to the local food pantry.

A competition was held amongst the homerooms to encourage donations. Homerooms received five points for each coat or pair of snow pants donated and one point for each hat, scarf or pair of gloves donated. The top three homerooms will receive additional points that will go towards the annual Middle School Battle of the Homerooms competition. The homeroom that collected the most items will be announced at the Battle of Homerooms on December 21st.

EPJ Live Streaming

EPJ has been live-streaming varsity basketball games for the past few years, but the school recently changed the website it uses. Previously, games were streamed through "TheCube." Now, games are live-streamed through YouTube. There is a link on the EPJ website's homepage under "Quick Links" to go directly to the EPJ Huskies Youtube channel. If you subscribe to the channel, you will receive notifications when events go live. The games can only be watched while the video is live; you cannot watch the game any time after the game has ended.

This streaming system allows community members to watch the games in real-time if they are unable to attend. It is also a great way for distant relatives to watch their loved ones.

Be sure to go subscribe and support the Huskies!

Christmas Around the World



By: Karson Hall

On December 7th at 7:00 p.m., all JK-4th grade students gathered together in the middle school auditorium to sing songs relating to Christmas. The children were dressed in their nicest clothing, boys wearing khakis and nice shirts, and girls wearing dresses.

The name of this year's production was

"Christmas Around the World." Some of the songs they sang were "Jingly," "Deck the Halls," "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," and "A Candle Glowing in the Window." At the end of the concert, everyone from all the grades came into the gym for a sing-along song. The junior kindergarten and kindergarten students had a song where they used little pieces of tinsel that they danced with. Fourth

graders played their recorders during "Deck the Halls."

When participant Jeslyn Hall was asked about her experience, she said, "I love singing and I love Mrs. Tatro!" The audience seemed to love all the songs and the experience that came with it.

We can't wait until next year for another Christmas concert!

'Tis the Testing Season

Christmas break is right around the corner for students at EPJ, but this means that semester tests are coming up as well. All high school and middle school students are required to take semester tests. These tests cover content from the entire semester.

Not all classes will have a test, though. Some classes have semester projects. The skills a student learns in an art or welding class cannot be shown very well through a typical paper and pencil test. Instead, the teacher comes up with a project that requires students to use the skills that they learned throughout the semester.

High school semester testing will take place on Wednesday, December 20th, and Thursday, December 21st. A block schedule is used to ensure students have adequate testing time. Odd periods (1, 3, 5, 7) take place on Wednesday, and even periods (2, 4,

6) take place on Thursday. A student's final grade in a class is calculated from three grades. The first and second quarter grades are each worth forty percent, and semester tests or projects are worth twenty percent. An exceptionally good or poor grade on a semester test can make a major impact on the student's final grade.

Semester tests can be a stressful time for students. High school counselor Mrs. McMeekin has taken this into consideration and, therefore, came up with a way for students to destress. During testing days, Mrs. McMeekin brings playdough, coloring books, and games for students to use during the first thirty minutes of their study hall. This is a great way for students to relax and have some fun.

Semester tests are approaching quickly so start preparing now! Good luck to all students!

Husky Happenings

Thursday, Dec. 14:
High School Concert in MS gym 7:00

Friday, Dec. 15:
Boys Basketball at SF Christian 4:00
Girls Basketball at SF Christian 4:00

Saturday, Dec. 16:
Wrestling at EPJ 10:00

Monday, Dec. 18:
Boys Basketball with Alcester-Hudson 5:00

Lunch Menu

Thursday, December 14:
Beef Stroganoff with Dinner Roll or Corn Dog

Friday, December 15:
Taco Burger or Pizza

Monday, December 18:
Orange Chicken over Rice or BBQ Rib Sandwich

Tuesday, December 19:
Super Nachos or Grilled Chicken Sandwich

Wednesday, December 20:
Bosco Sticks with Marinara sauce or Cheeseburger

Pizza Palooza

The EPJ High School Student Council will host its biannual Pizza Palooza on December 21st.

Tickets for this event will be sold before school and during lunch Friday, December 15th, through Tuesday, December 19th. A ticket costs \$5. A ticket will provide a student with two slices of pizza, a pop, and an ice cream dessert. Any leftovers will be sold for \$2 each after everyone has been served. Pizza Palooza is the only meal served on that day, so a student must bring a cold lunch if they choose not to purchase a ticket. This fun event is a great way to finish off the first semester!

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