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Counselor News

by Peyton Brewer

Mr. Horner is currently the 6-12 School Counselor. Ms. Maryn Phillips was added this year as an additional School Counselor to oversee grades K-5. Some of the things he does for the Homer Community is Assist students with their mental health concerns. He helps students with their future career plans and oversees the scheduling of classes for grades 6-12. Oversees the educational records of all students in our building, Oversees the 504 Plans for students in grades 6-12. He makes Ed Genuity courses for students who need, Oversee the selection and registration of college classes. Mr. Horner also Schedules college visits with representatives And Oversee HCEF and Local scholarships. He serves as the Secretary for the HCEF (Homer Community Educational Foundation). He Assists students with ACT registration, He Helps seniors with financial aid, assists with graduation. He Teaches a 6th grade Careers class, helps with class rank each semester, and he assists with Boys and Girls Cornhusker State.



One Act

by Chance Holverson

The One Act season of 2023 was a story called *Nora's Lost*; this story in short terms is about a woman remembering her younger years with some dramatic plot lines. Homer placed second in the Lewis division of the conference this year. This year's individual award winners consist of Ainsley Spurrell with 2 awards this season, Sam Shadbolt with 4 awards, Aliyah Spurrell with 4 awards, Annah Harris with 2 awards, Connor Probst with 3 awards, and Sam Overgaard with 1 award.

Head Coach Ashley Ziska says that this year was a rebuilding year where they saw lots of improvements from a lot of the underclassmen. At the end of the season the team had put their heart and soul into their performances and left it all out on the stage. "We as mentors are incredibly proud of this group of kids for exceeding every expectation and busting every barrier put in front of them."





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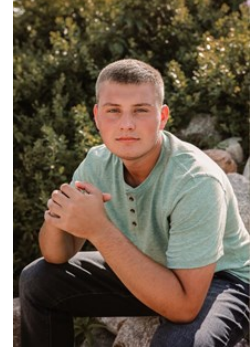
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NO SCHOOL • Cheer Practice 7-8:30 PM 	<p>2</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Early Dismiss</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrestling BV 10 AM @Winside • BB G/B- 6 & 7:30PM @Homer 	<p>6</p> <p>Wrestling GV 10AM @Winside</p>
<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB Girls JH 3PM @Homer • Cheer Practice 7-8:30 PM 	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB Boys JH 3PM @Emerson • BB G/B 6 & 7:30PM @ Homer 	<p>10</p> <p>Early Dismiss</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrestling BV 4PM @Archbishop Ber-gan • BB G/B 6 & 7:30PM @ Har-tington 	<p>13</p> <p>BB Boys JH 9AM @ Homer</p>
<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrestling GV 11AM@ Battle Creek • BB Girls JH @Homer 	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB Girls JH 3PM • Boys JH 3PM @ Homer • BB G/B-6 & 7:30PM @ Allen 	<p>17</p> <p>Early Dismiss</p>	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrestling G/B Conference Tourney TBD @ Tri County • BB Boys JH 4:15PM @ Wakefield • BB G/B 6 & 7:30PM @ Homer 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB G/B 6 & 7:30 PM @ Omaha Nation 	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB G/B JH 9AM @ Ponca • Wrestling G/B 9AM @ Oak-land
<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB Girls JH 3PM @ Bancroft • BB GV 7PM @ Homer 	<p>23</p> <p>BB G/B 6 & 7:30 PM @ Homer</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Early Dismiss</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Wrestling G/B 5PM @Homer</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Wrestling GV 4PM @ Raymond Central</p>	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB Girls JH 8:30AM @ Ponca • Boys JV 9AM @ Homer • Wrestling BV 9:30AM @ Plainview
<p>29</p> <p>Cheer Practice</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Early Dismiss</p>			

by Rocco Kearnes

Senior Spotlights

by Donovan Fogarty

Cole Kirby is the son of Emily Kramper and Craig Kirby. His birthday is February 3rd, 2006. Cole likes going to Homer because of how small the community is and how close all the kids are. His favorite lunch is a spicy chicken sandwich and favorite class is math. After high school Cole is joining the Air Force and wants to live his life out in the military.



Caedan Nelsen is the daughter of Chantelle and Wally Nelsen. She was born June 19th 2006; her favorite thing about Homer is how small it is and that everybody knows everybody. Her favorite class is weights and her favorite teacher is Mr. D. After high school she plans to attend Montana State to study animal science and become a veterinarian.

Samantha Overgaard is the daughter of Lorraine and Eric Overgaard. She was born June 17th 2005, and her favorite thing about Homer is everybody knows everybody. Her favorite class is math because of Mr. D. She has participated in volleyball, cross country, basketball, and track. After high school she plans to attend the University of Iowa to study Art Education.



Natalee Overfelt is the daughter of Shawn and Lori Overfelt; she was born December 12th 2005. She likes how small the community is and that everybody knows everybody. Her favorite lunch is pasta and her favorite teacher is Mr. D. She has participated in volleyball, basketball, and track. After high school she plans to become a professional trick rider.

January Birthdays by Liam Vavra

1/01 Camden Allyn
 1/01 Aide Rojas Barboza
 1/04 Hadley Heikes
 1/04 Parks Ubbinga
 1/04 Harper Ubbinga
 1/06 Laken Aldrich
 1/06 Jax Fogarty
 1/07 Collin Ziska
 1/08 Kacie Harris
 1/08 Alexandra Albrecht
 1/08 Elli Boggess
 1/08 Israel Rojas
 1/09 Cora Schooley
 1/11 Genevieve McNear
 1/13 Wyatt Barclay
 1/13 Riley Oligmueller

1/14 Caleb Bundy
 1/14 Kaiden Payer
 1/15 Alejandra Quezada-Garcia
 1/15 Emma Bleil
 1/15 Draven Carson
 1/15 Elijah Hightree
 1/16 Samuel Shadbolt
 1/16 Kanin Heikes
 1/18 Jay Collins
 1/19 Michelle Mission
 1/21 Aden Ahlman
 1/22 Janessa Overgaard
 1/23 Mia Lyons
 1/23 Lilly Brewer
 1/23 Katleya Potter
 1/24 Justice Barclay
 1/24 Cora Rushing
 1/24 Harper Warren
 1/25 Clara Rushing
 1/25 Liam Vavra



Wrestling by Jacey Peters

Creighton Highschool Invite

138- Issac Barclay placed 3rd and scored 11.0 team points
 144- Josue Munoz placed 1st and scored 24.0 team points
 150- Bodie Nelson placed 5th and scored 5.0 team points
 157- Axton Caskey placed 6th and scored 5.0 team points
 175- Ethan Roberts went 1 and 2 and scored 2.0 team points
 215- Trent Dunn placed 5th and scored 11.0 team points
 285- Tru King placed 6th and scored 5.0 team points
 115G- Lilyanna Dziurawiec placed 1st and score 18.0 team points
 190G- Alexis Jessen placed 2nd and scored 12.0 team points

Elgin Pope John Girls

110- Lilyanna Dziurawiec placed 3rd and scored 11.0 team points
 190- Alexis Jessen placed 6th
 235- Clover Hirsch placed 3rd and scored 7.0 team points

Wakefield Dual

Tyley Jump 1-0
 Caylee Dinsmore 0-1
 Alexis Jessen 0-1
 Issac Barclay 1-0
 Josue Munoz 1-0
 Bodie Nelson 0-1
 Axton Caskey 1-0
 Ethan Roberts 0-1
 Trent Dunn 0-1
 Tru King 1-0



Girls' Basketball

by Caedan Nelsen

Homer vs Winnebago

Varsity (45-53)

Jocelyn Hightree- 8 rebounds, 4 assists; Ali Albrecht- 17 points; Janessa Overgaard- 8 rebounds

JV (36-15)

Jovee Valentin- 12 points

Homer vs Lyons-Decatur

Varsity (58-28)

Jocelyn Hightree- 7 steals; Tori Walker- 16 points; Ali Albrecht- 13 points; Annah Harris- 9 rebounds

JV (28-26)

Makenzee Waldee- 16 points

Homer vs LCC

Varsity (49-69)

Lilly Harris- 4 ast; Ali Albrecht- 9 reb 16 pts; Janessa Overgaard- 10 pts

JV (31-29)

Jovee Valentin- 17 points

Homer vs Wynot

Varsity (41-60)

Lilly Harris- 12 pts; Jocelyn Hightree- 7 reb; Ali Albrecht- 7 reb; Sam Overgaard- 4 ast; Annah Harris- 10 pts

JV (39-43)

Jovee Valentin- 20 pts

Homer vs Lawton Bronson

Varsity (48-37)

Jocelyn Hightree- 11 pts; Ali Albrecht- 10 reb 26 pts; Jovee Valentin- 4 steals; Annah Harris- 4 ast

JV (19-30)

Makenzee Waldee- 7 pts

Homer vs Lutheran High

Varsity (54-47)

Lilly Harris- 5 assists; Jocelyn Hightree- 10 reb, 12 pts, 3 steals; Ali Albrecht- 27 pts; Janessa Overgaard- 2 blk



Boys Homer Knights Varsity Basketball

by Mauric Ford-Davis

Homer Knights 23, 60 Winnebago Indians, Nov 30, 2023

Ben Roost #51-8 Points, Mauric Ford-Davis #5- 4 assists & 2 steals, Jessup Snowball #31- 6, Rylan Parker #33- 2 steals

Boys Junior Varsity

Homer Knights 12, 46 Winnebago Indians

Aayden Harris - 4 points

Lyons Decatur Northeast 50, 38 Homer Knights, Dec 2nd, 2023

Mauric Ford-Davis #22- 20 Points & 3 Steals, Ben Roost #52- 10 Points, Junius Snowball #11- 4 assists, Ryan Rasmussen #14- 6 Rebounds, Ben Roost #52- 6 Rebounds

Boys Junior Varsity

Lyons Decatur Northeast 38, 29 Homer Knights

Gavin Albrecht and Aayden Harris - 6 points

Homer Knights 27, 61 Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Dec 5, 2023

Aayden Harris #20- 7 Points, Mauric Ford-Davis #22- 4 assists & 4 Rebounds, Steve Harris #10- 2 Steals

Boys Junior Varsity

Homer Knights 13, 45 Laurel-Concord-Coleridge

Jessup Snowball and Reed Modlin - 4 points

Wynot 65, Homer Knights 26, Dec 12, 2023

Mauric Ford-Davis #22- 8 points & 2 assists, Ben Roost #52- 6 rebounds, Junius Snowball #12- 2 Steals

Boys Junior Varsity

Junius Snowball - 11 points

Homer Knights 18, Lawton Bronson 67, Dec 15, 2023

Mauric Ford-Davis #22- 3 assists, Ben Roost #52- 6 points & 6 rebounds

