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The rays may be fake, but the danger is very real. The truth about tanning. Pg. 5

[FORENSICS FRENZY]

By Miranda Kimble



The forensics team poses for a silly photo after hosting their home varsity meet, which was held on Saturday, Feb. 22. *Courtesy Photo*

On Feb. 8, the Forensics team traveled to Kinsley for their first meet of the season. Out of the ten events that competed from Kiowa County at the meet, five broke into finals. Aaric Kipp placed fifth in Extemporaneous Speaking, John Colclazier placed fourth in Extemporaneous Speaking, Miranda Kimble placed fourth in her Serious Solo, Natalie Stewart and Aubrey VandenHoek placed fourth in their Duet and Stewart also placed sixth in her Humorous Solo. Overall, the team placed fifth out of 11 teams.

Not even a week later, the varsity Forensics traveled to the Medicine Lodge Varsity Invitational while the novices traveled to Kinsley for their novice meet. The varsity team entered 19 events, and out of those, five broke into finals. Stewart and Colclazier placed first in IDA, qualifying them for State Champs, Stewart and VandenHoek placed third in their Duet, qualifying them for State Festival. Lillian Hinshaw placed third in Serious Solo, and Kimble placed first in Serious Solo, qualifying her for State Champs, she also placed fifth in Prose which qualified her for State Festival. The team finished third out of 14 teams.

The novice team competed with five events and three of those events broke into finals. Tierra West placed third in Prose, qualifying her for State Festival, Marissa Kendall

placed third in Poetry, also qualifying her for State Festival, and Ian Hess placed fourth in Humorous Solo. The team ended up sixth out of 13 teams.

With barely any time to recover from the Medicine Lodge meet, the team competed at the South Central Invitational with 21 events. 17 events ended up breaking into finals. Kipp placed sixth in Prose and seventh in Extemporaneous Speaking, Lexi Behee placed fifth in prose, Kimble placed fourth in Prose and second in serious solo, Charity Schmidt placed sixth in serious solo and third in Prose, Hinshaw placed first in both her Prose and Serious Solo, qualifying her for State Champs in both events. Colclazier placed sixth in both Extemporaneous Speaking and Oration, VandenHoek placed fourth in Poetry, Stewart placed first in her Humorous Solo, qualifying her for State Champs, Stewart and VandenHoek placed second in their Duet, also qualifying them for State Champs, Sammy Cervantes and Payton Miller placed sixth in Duet, Miller and Nicholas Sears placed third in IDA, Emily Sarber and Cervantes placed first in IDA, qualifying them for State Champs. The team ended up earning their first, first place of the year.

Later in the week, the novices traveled to Meade for the Meade Novice Invitational. The team took 11 events and out of those events, six of them broke into finals. Kendall placed fifth in Prose, qualifying her for State Festival, West placed third in Prose, also qualifying her for State Festival, Madison Brensing and Alli Hosheit placed 5th in IDA, Hosheit also placed second in Poetry, qualifying her for State Festival, Hess placed sixth in humorous solo, and LaChelle Tuttle placed fifth in Poetry. The team ended up placing fourth out of 10 schools.

On Saturday, Feb. 22, the team hosted their varsity home meet, which had 12 teams attend and compete. "It was stressful at first but that's normal. It was filled with laughter and I had a great time running the front desk with Lillian," said junior Maddie Cannon. By the time the meet was over at 3:30, the team was exhausted, but they were proud of themselves for running such a great meet.

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[THE SCOREBOARD]

[LADY MAVS]

By Jansen Miller

The lady Mavericks had a goal since being knocked out of the league tournament early that they were going to hang the second banner the league gives out. They will have to come out more aggressive and have more intensity than usual in every game that leads up to their last.

Taking on the Fowler Goldbugs, at home was a very important game for the Mavericks. With a tough league loss for the Mavericks, they lost by one point to the Goldbugs, 42-43. Senior Katelynn Gamble came out onto the floor with a lot of intensity and had a major impact in the game with a total of 18 points, including a half-court shot at the final buzzer.

The following Friday, the Mavericks traveled to Jetmore to take on the Hodgeman County Longhorns on their home court. Beating a team on their home court is always exciting and to also beat them on their homecoming was really enjoyable to the Mavericks. Leaving with a major win the Mavericks won, 56-33.

The Mavs matched up with the South Gray Lady Rebels at home on Senior Night. Sophomore McKenzie Heft took over for the Mavericks with an incredible 19 points to end of the night, to lead the Mavericks to a win over the Rebels, 58-35.

Entering a very tough week for the ladies, but nothing

they didn't think they could handle, they matched up with three league teams in one week. They took each game, game by game and point by point.

Playing a team on their home court isn't always easy; they traveled to Ashland for the first game of the week to take on the Bluejays, the ladies were in for a battle. Senior Riann Heft led the Mavericks to their win with a total of 14 points. The Lady Mavs came out with an exciting win of 55-39.

The following day the Mavericks took on the Bucklin Lady Aces, a very tough match up for them. The ladies stuck with the aces throughout the night, but just couldn't pull out a win. Losing by just few points but playing a hard fought game, the score ended 36-42.

Ending the long week for the ladies they took on the Spearville Lady Lancers for the second time this season. Coming out with a lot of intensity the Lady Mavs outsmarted the Lancers, and held them to 24 points the whole game. Seniors Dena Liggett and Gamble end the night with a total of 14 points each leading the Mavs with a win of 48-24.

Although they did not end the week with the league tournament champs banner they did end the week as runner-up in the league. The ladies fought a long battle the whole season and ended the regular season happy with how they did.



Freshman Janessa Zenger starts the lady Mavs off right by winning the tip against the Fowler Goldbugs.
Photo by Marissa K.



Seniors Dena Liggett and Katelynn Gamble high five each other with smiles on their faces after the win against Spearville.
Photo by Marissa K.



Freshman Nicole Ballard dribbles up the court on a fast break to begin an offense.
Photo by Marissa K.

SEASON WRAPUP

Varsity

Fowler (L) 42-43
Ashland (W) 55-39
Hodgeman Co. (W) 56-33
South Gray (W) 58-35
Bucklin (L) 36-42
Spearville (W) 48-24
SUB STATE
St. John (L) 34-42

Junior Varsity

Fowler (W) 44-21
Hodgeman Co. (W) 44-15
South Gray (W) 18-15
Spearville (W) 38-20

[MANLY MAVS]

By Payton Miller

The boys' basketball team has definitely been working as hard as ever and it is beginning to pay off. After a tough loss against the Fowler Goldbugs the Mavericks traveled to Jetmore. The teams' persistence showed its true colors during the game and team defeated the Longhorns 61-31. After overcoming the Longhorns the Mavericks headed to Ashland. Even though KC held the lead for most of the game the Blue jays ended up defeating the Mavericks 48-51, continuing their season the team traveled to Bucklin, they took control of the game fairly early and kept up their lead to end the game with a score of 54-30. Two days after their win against Bucklin the Mavericks faced the League Champions, the Spearville Lancers. The game went back and forth during the first half showing that the Mavericks came to

compete. During the second half the Lancers pulled ahead and kept their lead, finishing the game over Kiowa County.

With the regular season over, the team headed into sub state play to compete against the Medicine Lodge Indians. Their strength, determination and respect for the game have definitely shown that KC will never just give up without a fight. The Mavs were not able to triumph over the Indians ending the Kiowa County boys 2013-14 basketball season.

It's obvious to see that the Mavericks have created a fun environment for their season. Through hard work and determination they were able to pull off a few wins and stayed closer than expected in a few others during their season. The Mavericks showed their true potential while they also never giving up, and that's what matters in a season.



Senior Trever Powell and sophomore Dylan Jacks trap a South Gray opponent in the corner. Together Powell and Jacks caused six turnovers during the game. *Photo by Heidee Prosser*



Senior Corbin VandenHoek reaches for the basket in an attempt to make a jump shot against a South Gray competitor. VandenHoek ended the season with 140 total points. *Photo by Heidee Prosser*



Senior John Terhune jumps high to shoot over a Medicine Lodge defender. Terhune had a total of 204 total points at the end of the season. *Photo by Marissa Kendall*

SEASON WRAPUP

Varsity

Fowler (L) 36-55
 Ashland (L) 48-51
 Hodgeman Co. (W) 61-31
 South Gray (L) 29-45
 Bucklin (W) 54-30
 Spearville (L) 41-53
 SUB STATE
 Medicine Lodge (L) 26-40

Junior Varsity

Fowler (L) 48-52
 Ashland (W) 52-22
 Hodgeman Co. (W) 42-25
 Bucklin (W) 42-29
 Spearville (L) 46-52



Senior Michael Tedder signs his letter of intent with Sterling College to play football as a Warrior in the upcoming 2014 - 2015 season. Tedder was awarded All-District and SPIAA All-League honors.

Photo by Payton M.

[REGIONAL JOURNALISM]

SUNFLOWER NEWS GETS DOWN AND DIRTY

Dive inside Sunflower Sports

By Ben Miller, junior
Sunflower High School junior Claire Hutchinson spends four evenings a week in the gym with her basketball team, The Hurricanes. This is her third year with the elite club basketball team. And she loves it. But she's had to make tough choices. "There's almost nothing I would rather do than play basketball," said Hutchinson. "When I'm there, I don't worry about anything else but what's going on in the moment." She does wish, though, that she could play for her high school team as well. "I think it would be fun to play in front of my friends and classmates at the high school," Hutchinson said, but in the end she chose The Hurricanes instead. Hopefully recruiters will notice me and I'll be offered college basketball scholarships," Leah Kautzer has taken a slightly different approach. She played women's softball for the Raiders Club team for three years, but because too time-consuming and too competitive for her, "I missed having time with my friends. And although I have friends on the team, lots of them, I have other people, other interests in my life that I care about. So I left," she said. Kautzer now plays softball for Sunflower High School. Her years of club softball have made her a standout player. She said she still works hard at the sport, but she's found more balance in her life for other things.

Other Sports
Some might be surprised to know that near Clinton, in nearby Grand City, there is even a club for dirt bikers. Sunflower High School student Vince Coleman is one of a handful of Clinton teenagers who belong to it. "I think I'm a dirt biker," Coleman said. "I remember dirt biking with my older cousins when I was young, and I've kept it up. I like being a part of the club. We travel and compete just like some of the more mainstream sports club. And we might break a few more bones," he said. For Dan King, archery is where it's at. The first time he had potential in the sport when he attended a 4H camp. "I realized I had a good eye," King said. "Luckily my parents listened to me and they found an outlet for me." King participates with Bullseye Archery Club, also in nearby Grand City. Garrett Stanger comes from a history of swimmers. When they moved to Clinton from St. Paul, Minnesota, for his father's work, the Stangers were disappointed to learn that there were no swim clubs within an hour radius of Clinton. So six years ago they started their own swim club, the Clinton Swims Club. "And me?" "I was nine when we moved to Clinton," Stanger said. "I think my mom told me there are 74 kids and teenagers from the Clinton area who belong to the club." Garrett Stanger said. "I really imagine my life without swimming." Stanger said. "For one thing I wouldn't be able to eat nearly as much," he said laughing. "You know how hungry you get after you swim? That's how I feel every day of my life!"

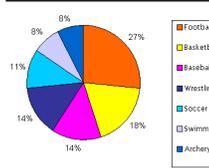


Volleyball: Alana Reynolds, freshman, and Isabella Harper, sophomore, relax between rounds. Both girls play for the Sunflower High School volleyball team.

Archery: Brady Allen, a club member, has been with Bullseye Archery Club for the past five years. Photo by Ben Miller.

Swimming: Sunflower High School sophomore Vince Coleman likes to play in the dirt biker community.

What is your favorite high school sports memory?



Payton (small) Miller, Sr.
"Probably when I got my personal best in pole vault at State Track. I vaulted 12 feet 6 inches."

Corbin V. - HM

SUNFLOWER Explorer REPORT

THE SPORTY SIDE

By Ben Miller

Sunflower High School senior Claire Hutchinson speaks that evening a week in the gym with her basketball team, The Hurricanes. She's in her third year with the elite club basketball team. And she loves it. But she's had to make tough choices. "There's almost nothing I would rather do than play basketball," said Hutchinson. "When I'm there, I don't worry about anything else but what's going on in the moment." She does wish, though, that she could play for her high school team as well. "I think it would be fun to play in front of my friends and classmates at the high school," Hutchinson said, but in the end she chose The Hurricanes instead. Hopefully recruiters will notice me and I'll be offered college basketball scholarships," Leah Kautzer has taken a slightly different approach. She played women's softball for the Raiders Club team for three years, but because too time-consuming and too competitive for her, "I missed having time with my friends. And although I have friends on the team, lots of them, I have other people, other interests in my life that I care about. So I left," she said. Kautzer now plays softball for Sunflower High School. Her years of club softball have made her a standout player. She said she still works hard at the sport, but she's found more balance in her life for other things.



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Miranda K. - HM

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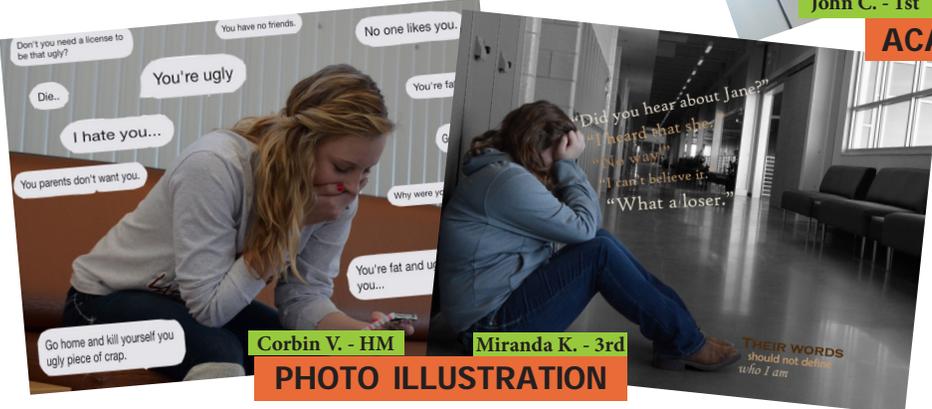
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[DEAR 16 YEAR OLD ME...]

Editorial by Heidee Prosser

With prom coming up right around the corner, the ladies in the high school, and maybe even some gents, start worrying about being too pale for the big night. Although there is a spray tan alternative, many opt to go to tanning beds. Yes, the rays are artificial, but do not let this fool you. A sunburn is a sunburn, and the effects can be life altering.

In the video to the right, there are real people who talk about what they wish they would have done differently when they were growing up. For example, not getting a perm or drinking whiskey and not watching the new Star Wars movies. On a more serious note though, they discuss when they were diagnosed with melanoma and what the doctor told them. "You will be 18 when they tell you the news." "They will tell you that you have to get aggressive treatment if you want to have a chance." "I wish I'd known that one bad sunburn before the age of 18 doubles your chances of getting melanoma."

I urge you to watch the video and take it to heart. It will tell you what to look for when checking to see if you have any signs of the cancer and how fast it can spread. It is up to you to decide if the perfect tan for one night is worth the chance of getting cancer. I have decided to stay clear of them and I hope you do too.

[SCAN ME!]



[SOCIAL SCENE]

By Marissa Kendall



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• [katelynnkiley](#) Can't believe I played my last regular season game ever with these girls last night! I wouldn't trade them for anything! Love you guys! 💜💜😘



♥ 82 likes

• [kenziedawn15](#) i got myself a prom date 😊
@aaron_heft13 #promposal



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["I believe that we are who we choose to be. Nobody is going to come and save you. You've got to save yourself. Nobody is going to give you anything. You've got to go out and fight for it. Nobody knows what you want except you, and nobody will be as sorry as you if you don't get it. So don't give up on your dreams."

- Barry Manilow]

[BASKETBALL ROYALTY]

By John Colclazier



Homecoming candidates smile for the camera after the coronation of John Colclazier and Heather Melton as Homecoming King and Queen.

Photo by Miranda K.

On Feb. 7, three handsome young men along with three lovely ladies walked across the gym floor, all with hopes of being this year's basketball homecoming king and queen. This year's basketball homecoming candidates, who were chosen by the girls and boys basketball teams, were Katelynn Gamble, Payton Miller, Heather Melton, Corbin VandenHoek, Mackenzie Rose and John Colclazier. When asked what was going through his mind as he walked across the floor, VandenHoek responded with, "My mind wasn't really on anything, I was just pretty focused on trying to calm down Heather. I don't even remember what was said as we walked out." At the end of the ceremony, juniors LaTosha Tuttle and Hannah Brown announced Heather Melton as queen and John Colclazier as king.

[DID YOU KNOW?]

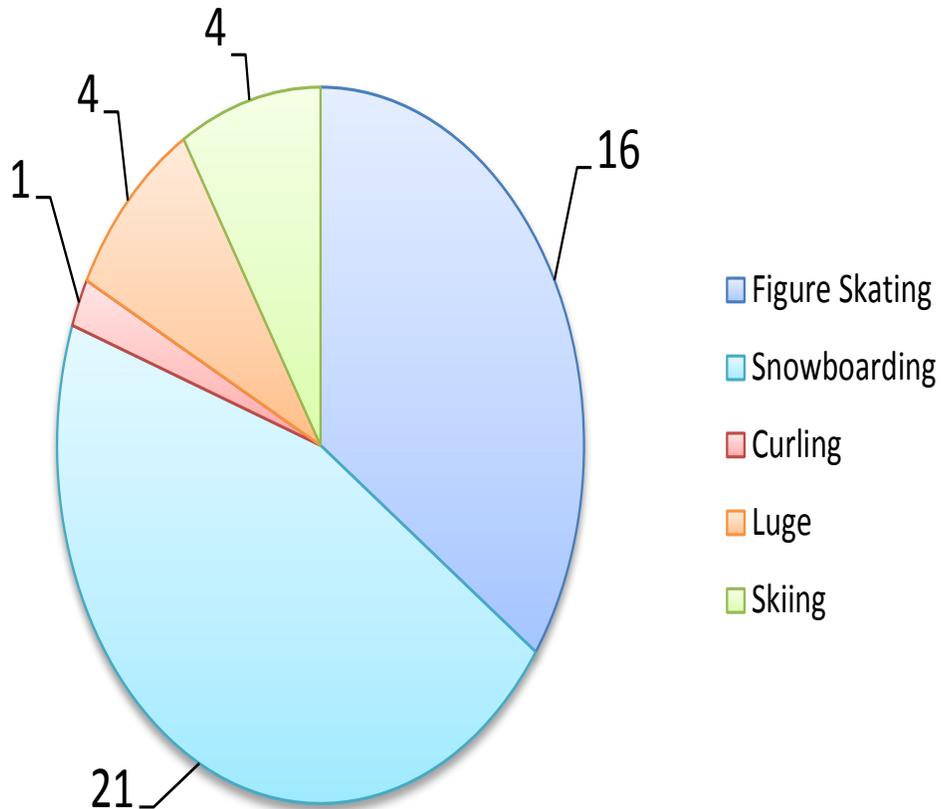
You can burn up to 350 more calories if you fidget, compared to someone who remains stationary.]

[MONTHLY POLL]

WINTER OLYMPICS

By Jansen Miller

The KCHS and KCJH students were asked which Winter Olympic sport they most enjoy. From the responses given, snowboarding was the favorite sport with figure skating coming in second. The least favorite sport, which some may question whether it is really a sport, was curling.



[FORENSICS FRENZY CONT.]

The following Thursday, the team did it all again by hosting their novice home meet. This time the Kiowa County novices competed while the rest of the team ran the meet. The team competed in nine events, and out of those events five of them broke into finals. Kendall placed fourth in Prose, Hosheit placed fifth in Poetry, Madison Brensing placed third in Poetry, qualifying her for State Festival, Tuttle placed second in Poetry, qualifying her for State Festival. Tuttle also placed third in IDA with West, qualifying them for State Festival in the event. After clean up, the team headed home around 9:30, feeling proud of what they had accomplished.

After a couple of weeks without competing, the team

headed to Spearville for their varsity invitational. The team entered a total of 22 events, and out of those events ten broke into finals. Tuttle and West earned sixth in IDA while Cervantes and Sarber earned fifth, and Colclazier and Stewert earned first. Stewert also got fifth in Informative Speaking. Lillian Hinshaw placed sixth in Oration and also placed second in Duet with Colclazier, qualifying them for State Champs. Kipp got sixth in Extemporaneous Speaking, Kimble placed fifth in Serious Solo while Schmidt placed fourth, and VandenHoek earned first place, qualifying her for State Champs. Overall, the team placed third out of 12 teams. The team's next meet will be the League Tournament which will be held at South Central on April 2.



[LEAGUE CHOIR RESULTS]

GROUP

Ladies Choir - I, I, II
 Mixed Choir - I, I, II
 Ladies Ensemble - I
 Select Choir - I
 Double Trio - I
 Trio - I

Chelsye Racette -II
 LaChelle Tuttle - I
 Tierra West - I
 Natalie Stewart -I+
 Lillian Hinshaw - I
 Aubrey VandenHoek - II+

SOLOS

Nicholas Sears - II+
 Patty Torres - I
 Charity Schmidt - II
 Kaitlin Ross - I
 Shayna Lingafelter - II
 Tatum McKinney - I
 Jessie Williams - Participant



[STATE PIANO]

Mackenzie Kendall - I

[INTERVIEW]

By Jansen Miller

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go, why and who with?



Italy, because it has always been somewhere I have wanted to go. I would take Erik, Aaron, Make, James and four other girls.

- *Franco H., Jr.*



Australia, to see the sharks that are there because a lot of people get attacked there, and I would take my younger sister.

- *Brylee C., So.*

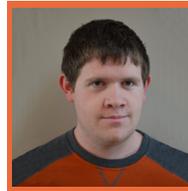


I would take my mom to Egypt because I've always wanted to see the pyramids there.

- *Hannah B., Jr.*

[SENIOR LAST WORDS]

By Corbin VandenHoek



"Participate in as many activities as you can, cause if you don't you'll regret it later."

- *John Colclazier*



"Don't do drugs, don't break the law, be nice to your parents and punch Corbin whenever you see him. No but seriously, be careful what you say around the journalists."

- *Heidee Prosser*



"Care about your grades and pay attention. Freshman year means just as much as senior year. Fill out as many scholarships as possible. And definitely try to go to as many activities as you can. It's the best way to make memories."

- *Corbin VandenHoek*

[CAMERA ROLL]



Photo by Payton M.



Photo by Marissa K.



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Photo by Heidee P.



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[TWEETS OF THE WEEKS]

By Heidee Prosser

Congrats to Mackenzie Kendall for her I rating at Regional Piano Festival!! She will compete @ the State Festival on Feb. 22 @ WSU!!

- *KCMavs (@KCMavsAD)*

Tomorrow is my last basketball practice then its on to track! #excellent

- *Brylee Conrad, so. (@BryShay3)*

Never thought I would cry so much after my last game. It's crazy that it's over. I'm so proud of my team. Came so far fellas. Keep it real.

- *Corbin VandenHoek, sr. (@Corbmiesters)*

Sorry I can't go to school tomorrow. I fractured my motivation.

- *Kelsi Francis, so. (@1Dkelsi)*

I've reached the epitome of senioritis - *Lillian Hinshaw, sr. (@lillianhinshaw)*

[VIDEO OF THE MONTH]

By John Colclazier



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