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COVER

< Senior **Claire Prather** gets tethered to a rope, preparing for the "Beauty and the Beast" opening flying scene. "When I was learning, [it] was just fun, a weird feeling, but it kind of felt like rock climbing," Prather said. "When I was doing it during shows, I was slightly terrified that it would break. Overall, I'm super glad I did it, but [it was] scary, too." *Lydia Miller*

< Celebrating a point, sophomore **Andi Kreiling**, junior **Quinn Weakley** and senior **Lexie Buls** jump for joy. "[The girls are] some of the best friends I've ever had and some of the best athletes I've gotten to play with," sophomore **Mayson Behney** said. *Tyler Pedee*

< Cheering at the homecoming assembly, the junior section gets pumped up for the festivities and the football game against Belton. "Usually the energy is pretty high," junior **Madi Carnie** said. "I like sitting with the juniors whenever everyone is participating and showing school spirit." *Tyler Pedee*

< Junior **Kate Mckown** plays her clarinet during the first pep band performance in the new field house Dec. 17. "Concert band gives you the opportunity to be more musical rather than marching band, where its just a volume contest," senior **Mackenzie Dunn** said. "Music is like a second language, and you can be from any part of the world and still be able to play as one." *Tyler Pedee*

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< At the 7th Annual Turkey Trot, senior **Niki Breyfogle** runs on a brisk Thanksgiving morning. "[The Turkey Trot is] a family tradition. We've done it every year since its started and we've never skipped a year," Breyfogle said. "[The best part is] when it's done. Everyone we know is there, and we all get to catch up with one another." *Holly Dillenbeck*

< Singing during the Open House Dec. 17, the Chamber Choir shows off their new room and performs for those interested in seeing the new spaces. "Music brings people together like nothing in this whole world," junior **Tess Martens** said, "and it's fun to sing with my friends." *Sydney Libowitz*

< Junior **Caroline Kelly** jumps to pass the ball and avoid the Smithville players during the Dec. 12 game. "The people on the team are so much fun to be with, and it makes basketball more fun," junior **Maddie Taylor** said. "The most exciting thing that happened this season is the Kearney Classic tournament and winning it." *Tyler Pedee*

< Participating in a free throw contest to win money for a club of their choice, seniors **Cade Hampton** and **Riley Foltz** celebrate with a high five after shooting a free throw. "It was pretty high energy because everyone knew I was terrible at basketball, so they were hyped when I made [a free throw]," Hampton said. *Tyler Pedee*



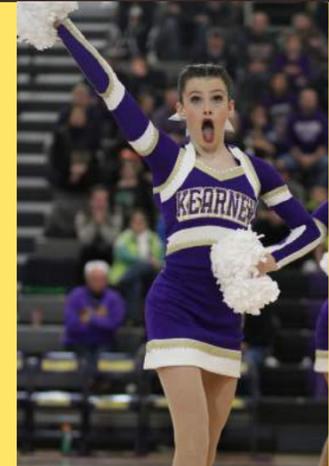
< Playing their french horns in the winter band concert, juniors **Brendan Elam** and **Maya Morrison** and senior **Brandon Thibodeau** perform with the wind ensemble. "My favorite part about band would be being able to call the band your family," junior Nathan Alison said. "And learn[ing] to play better along with them." < After finishing a dance at halftime of the Smithville game Dec. 17, sophomore **Madison Leigh** poses and spirits. "Everyone is always working 100% and works as a team," sophomore **Corra Clawson** said. "Also building the relationships with the girls, it's a lot easier to dance with one another when you're also family." *Tyler Pedee*

OK. Our parking lot is a dirt pile, the front door is blocked off, the gym isn't finished, the cheer team consists of 42 girls, there's 11 new teachers, sophomores have to park far away, classrooms have been moved, but

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Next time we park on the lot it's going to be brand new, good things come to people who wait. Who needs a front door when we have seven other doors? In May, seniors will be graduating in the new fieldhouse. With 42 girls, there's tons of teammates. Now that's something to cheer about. Maybe the new teachers will be cool. The sophomores will get some exercise. With many classrooms in new places, they also won't be the only ones feeling like newbies. Some of these changes make it hard to look at the good, so **LOOK** *at it this way.*



OCTOBER

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October stormed in with cloudy skies and rainy days. The new Kearney Early Educational Center (KEEC) held its first ever Trike-a-Thon, that FCCLA and some sports teams were excited to help with only to face a forecast for torrential rain. The musical's cast and directors finished their last

practices and preparations to bring Kearney's first Disney musical to the stage, but just missed the dream of sellout crowds. National Honors Society members put on the first ever Monster Mash where they lost the sheet with the names of the attendees, so they couldn't send them their free pictures.

< Junior **Micach Brandt** competes in the fly during the Senior Night meet against North Kansas City Oct. 10. "The adrenaline when you jump off the blocks, and you hit the water," Brandt said. "The only thing you can picture and the only thing that exists is that race and what you're doing in that moment. You're just in the water and everyone else is gone." *Brenna Morgan*



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Even though there was rain, the Trike-a-Thon went off without a hitch after relocating indoors. Even Bruiser hopped on a trike. The "Beauty and the Beast" musical's attendees filled much of the theater every night, including many of the littlest audience members dressed up in their finest princess attire. The Monster Mash ended up with a better turnout than NHS members expected and the memories from the night live on with or without the photos.



< Standing at the podium, junior **Lauren Knudsen** presents her AP Language speech in Elizabeth Maelf's class. *Nina DiBenedetto*
 < Senior **Kaleb Lowrey**, playing the Beast, peers at the rose in the glass case during of a performance of "Beauty and the Beast" in October. *Lydia Miller*
 < Senior **Payne Gallagher** grabs a slice of pizza during the K.I.N.D. Club sponsored Gray Out/Senior Citizens event at volleyball senior night Oct. 18. *Lydia Miller*

sneak peek

October Highlights Student Involvement

First Men's Dive Team in Over 20 Years
 "This dive season hasn't been anything crazy, but, for our first year, we're doing pretty good."
sophomore Cole Miller

Cheer & Dance Clinic
 "I love seeing all the girls' faces when they come in. They always look really excited to get to cheer and dance with the Golden Girls and cheerleaders."
senior Emma Scott

'Beauty and the Beast' Musical
 "[I liked] the ending. I thought it was the cutest, happiest part ever [and] the way they danced [and the way they looked at each other]. It was a very romantic musical."
senior Marleigh Marshall

Broadcasting, Yearbook Students Attend Journalism Nationals
 "My favorite thing was probably just getting to walk around the city. The 360 Tower was pretty amazing."
junior Brittany McCullough

take a Glimpse

Oct. 6 trike-a-thon



< Bruiser the Bulldog races in the first annual Kearney Early Educational Center Trike-a-Thon, which included several high school student volunteers. *Holly Dillenbeck*

Oct. 6 monster mash



< Senior **Lexi Buls** helps fifth grader Kacey Springer at the first ever NHS Monster Mash Oct. 6. *Courtesy of Mendy Salmonson*

Oct. 9 beauty and the beast



< Senior **Ivy Andregg** sings in the production of "Beauty and the Beast." *Lydia Miller*

Oct. 18 author visit



< Author **Jennifer Brown** visits with students about her book "Hate List." *Cierra Logan*