

The Lions' Pride.



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Keeping your eyes on the prize

by Trent Welch

The construction of the new additions is underway. More action is happening now that most of the dirt work is completed with rooms in the beginning stages of being renovated.

Many of the rooms being renovated have asbestos in them. A team from IITI has the rooms contained while they work on them. Asbestos is only harmful when it has been irritated or moved around because then it causes dust. All the rooms being worked on are abated, so they are contained and safe for students and staff.



IITI cleans asbestos from Mrs. Johanns' room and rooms along the middle school hallway, so Larson can begin the remodel. (photo by Cole Albaugh)

While these rooms are renovated, the people who were in these rooms had to move to a different classroom. Classrooms are running thin, so Rod Kelley, Lisbon maintenance director, and Larson Construction built two temporary walls to divide the stage in the Old Gym from the rest of the gym which then cut the gym in half.

The stage is now Mrs. Kramer's, the elementary music teacher, and half of the gym is Mr. Allison's, who is the middle school science teacher. The other half is used as storage and an area for paras.

"No, this is not the best classroom set up, but it is what we have," said Mr. Hocking, "You have to keep your eyes on the prize."

After these classes are out of the gym, the floor will be redone, but they will not be able to get new bleachers because it is part of the structure.

Mrs. Kramer's room is located on the stage and can be accessed through the backstage entrance.



TNT is putting exterior walls up quickly over at the LECC for their new play area. Also, there are now bleachers over at the LECC gym for better seating for games.

Temporary bus parking might stay bus parking. "We are liking where it is at," said Hocking.

Dirt removal is complete until spring on the football field, and Decker Concrete was to pour footings for the auditorium on Friday the 21st.



Decker Concrete begins work on the foundation for the new auditorium on the northwest side of the school. (photo by Cole Albaugh)

There is a lot going on right now, and it can be a hassle, but as Mr. Hocking said, "All this construction might be inconvenient now, but it will all pay off in the end."

For more photos on the construction see page 7.

Jackie Juett strikes out the bowling competition

by Kayne Kamberling

For the love of the sport, sophomore Jackie Juett from Lisbon, spends two days a week practicing her bowling for the Cedar Rapids Washington bowling team at Lancer Lanes.

"My family has always been into bowling," said Juett.

Her love for bowling comes from her family. Her parents have always been involved with bowling and have passed that love to her.

"In 8th grade, my league team was wondering if I was on a high school team. Mr. Ries asked around a bunch of local bowling teams, and Washington was the first one to accept me," said Juett.

While not throwing down strikes for Washington, she enjoys playing for her league team in Cedar Rapids. It was pretty easy for her to find a team to play for, and she recommends anyone who is interested in joining a bowling team should talk with Mr. Ries.

She will have a bowling meet January 4th at Lancer Lanes in Cedar Rapids. Everyone who can, should go and show their support.



Jackie Juett (top row, far right) poses joyfully after her meet on December 20 at Lancer Lanes. (photo by Emily Schultz)

Plans for fixing up Lisbon High School courtyard

by Kyla Hansen

One of the Lisbon High School art classes has taken on the responsibility of fixing up the courtyard to make it a better place for school use during the day this spring.

"We started off by painting pillars and benches outside. Next semester, we're going to finish up with everything. Rod [Kelley] wants to build a shed for the mowers and a fence to block off the air conditioning vents," said Lisbon junior, Montana Ferguson.



A newly painted pillar by Mrs. Pisarik's art class shows some Lion Pride. (photo by Kyla Hansen)

The art class painted the pillars that put together a small sitting area for students to come

out and enjoy their lunches. When considering the materials needed, the art class chose to keep the supplies close by, choosing a local store less than a mile from the school.

"We are using paint from Ace Hardware because the school wanted to [keep items local]," said Ferguson.

This group of students constructed the plan to create a more welcoming space for their peers to enjoy. With the cooperation of these students, the school courtyard should be done this spring when it warms up again.

"I would say all the parts are just as important as everyone else's. It's the quality that makes it important," said Ferguson.

Hopefully, when the project is complete, everyone at Lisbon Community Schools will enjoy the new look and fresh air.



At a current standstill, the courtyard is in the process of getting a facelift. (photo by Kyla Hansen)

Hungry for another win

by Sam Hendricks

Just like the girls' team, the guys also started their season off with hiring two new coaches: head coach Richie Logsdon and assistant coach Matt Cossolotto. Unlike the girls though, there are 19 boys who are out this year. Good news for them is that they get to have a JV team and get some young guys experience before facing the pressure and intensity of varsity. Out of the 19 boys, they're led by five seniors.

"When we're off the court, Coach Logsdon is funny, laid back, and a good friend, but once we're on the court, it's game time, and he is a little more serious," said senior Traysen Schaefer. "We need to bring energy to every game, whether they're a good or bad team."

The boys started the season strong with winning their first two games against Starmont and Springfield. The Springfield game was a thrill where senior Hagen Waters had 33 points, and Schaefer had 18 points before fouling out. The game went into double overtime, and Lisbon came out with the win.

The guys have hit a wall recently with a 4-game losing streak. They did have to go against two tough opponents: Alburnett and Cal-Wheat. Cal-Wheat is ranked 8th in the state in

1A, and the Lions played tough against them, only losing by 12. They finally got over that wall with a win against Cedar Valley Christian. Freshman Tyson Scott had a 23-point game and tacked on 8 rebounds.



Senior Traysen Schaefer squares up to pass it to a teammate for a score. (photo by Abbie Larson)

The guys faced Prince of Peace on the Friday before break. The Lions were hungry for another win, but they will have to wait until next time as they dropped another to PoP.

Athlete of the Week: Jackie Juett

by Jarrett Moehlman

If you go to Lancer Lanes in Cedar Rapids, you just might find Lisbon High School's newest athlete of the week Jackie Juett bowling strikes. Juett is currently a member of the Washington High bowling team. According to Juett, "I started bowling at about 5 or 6; it was a family thing."

Juett wanted to bowl, but since Lisbon didn't have a bowling team, she asked Mr. Ries to see if there was a school team she could join. Washington High School was the only one who would let her join.

Juett has had some success on the lanes. "I think that one major individual achievement was getting my 277, and a big team accomplishment was moving on in the second

round of the Baker Tournament when in the previous year we finished after the first round."



A member of the C.R. Washington bowling team, Jackie Juett throws down a strike. (photo by Emily Schultz)

Juett plans to continue bowling through high school but would also like to see her talent continue at Wartburg.

Seniors of the week: Schaefer and Hendricks

by Gage McCoy
Traysen Schaefer



Favorite high school memory: Sleeping in until 12 and not going to school until 1 on Tuesdays, and Fridays of Kirkwood's winter break

Plans after high school: Go to Kirkwood for two years then transfer to Iowa to become a Nurse Anesthetist.

Senior of the week, Traysen Schaefer, takes a lovely selfie.

Favorite candy: Hi-chew

Favorite dance move: LOVE the salsa defs a go to

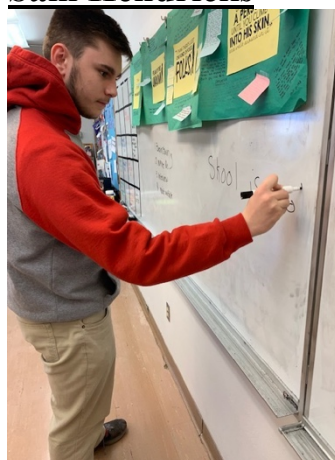
Favorite sport: Basketball

Most important advice for underclassman:

Always secure the bag and save your money.

Hobbies: *Fortnite* with the boys

Sam Hendricks



Favorite high school memory: When we won the powderpuff championship our senior year.

Plans after high school: Attending DMAC, studying sports management, and hopefully attending Iowa after.

Writing "Skool is Kool," Hendricks stands triumphantly after getting senior of the week. (photo by Gage McCoy)

Favorite candy: Sour gummy worms

Favorite dance move: The Shoot.

Favorite sport: Basketball

Most important advice for underclassman: Do not cheat in Kamaus's class. He will find out.

Hobbies: Playing video games

Fuzzy friends for newborns

by Tatiana Mallie

Senior Maisie Butteris is an independent individual who gets along well with children. Butteris has taken this independence and love for children into an endeavor she started when one of her favorite English teachers and soon-to-be first-time mom, Ellen Johanns, was eight months pregnant.

Butteris wanted to make a baby blanket for Johanns's baby girl, although the sex was unknown at the time. Johanns's new bundle of joy was the catalyst for Butteris making burp rags and blankets for any teachers who have toddlers or newborns.

To date, she has made 40 burp rags and 7 blankets, charging 3/\$10 for the burp rags and \$25 for a 35 x 35 blanket. Butteris has already made \$200 from this project. Profiting \$7 for

each blanket, Butteris uses her own money to buy the fabric which can range from \$16-18. It takes Butteris around a day to make a single blanket and 10-20 minutes to make a single burp rag.

Doing this project independently and due to the fabrics not working well together, Butteris received advice from an experienced sewer, Mrs. Snyder. Mrs. Snyder is a fabric-passionate person with lots of experience in quilting and sewing. Mrs. Snyder also teaches Lisbon INC and business education classes.

Butteris is currently taking orders for anyone who may want to purchase a blanket or burp rag. People may get ahold of her through her school email at mbutteris@lisbon.k12.ia.us.

Grades before goals

by Ian Heck

Boys soccer is coming sooner than people may think. Not many know better than Lisbon junior Parker Lindsey. Lindsey has been playing soccer since the age of five. He started playing for a parks and recreation team, then moved to AYSO soccer league before playing for Franklin, and now finally for the Mount Vernon-Lisbon soccer team. Lindsey is especially excited for this season, so he can compete against Vinton where he has a lot of friends.

Lindsey has not only been a soccer player, but he has also been on the honor roll for the past five years. He has always been more concerned about his grades than anything else. Being inducted as a new member of the National Honor Society this year is only the beginning. He was really proud of himself for making it.

"It's fun helping out in NHS knowing that I'm making a difference to better Lisbon," said Lindsey.

Lindsey averages a 3.8 GPA this year and plans to only make it better in the second semester, even with the start of the soccer season

on the horizon. Lindsey has already made a plan on how he is going to attend soccer practice every day at 6 PM and still not worry about his grades.

"I start some small easy stuff before practice, and right after soccer practice is over, I get home, eat, and do homework right away to make sure I get it all done, and if I have questions, I go to school early to get some help," said Lindsey.



Parker Lindsey (front row third from right) sits with the other Lisbon NHS members. (photo by Bryce Clausen)

Lindsey knows that in order to be a student-athlete, grades come before goals.

Rant: Bring games back to P.E.

by Maysun Marshall



Lifting is good for young student-athletes; it builds strength and endurance and allows for coaches to utilize practice time for their sport rather than take time out to life; however, sometimes even a student-athlete needs a break, for fun rather than sit in a study hall.

Lifting three times a week is manageable and necessary for a body to recover, but on off days, I would like to see dodgeball and kickball brought back.

Students talk about how they miss actually playing games and would prefer to not always focus on lifting.

(left) Peyton Robinson lifting weights, wanting to play dodgeball. (photo by Maysun Marshall)

Teachers in their teens: Reade & Pisarik

A look into an English teacher's past: Mrs. Reade by Tanya Mallie

J'nee (Offerman) Reade went to Center Point-Urbana and was involved in many extra-curricular activities. She was a four-sport athlete in volleyball, basketball, track, and softball and acted in all the school plays all the while singing in the choir, playing the clarinet in the band (marching, concert, and pep), and dancing and singing as part of the Summit Street Singers show choir.



A 2003 graduate of Center Point-Urbana High School, J'nee Offerman, now known as Mrs. Reade, teaches English at Lisbon.

She never had a dull moment. Although with any free time she had, she could be found drawing, making friendship bracelets, watching TV, or reading.

During her freshman year, she de-tasseled corn and worked as a cashier at K-Mart. Later on, she became a bank teller at the local bank.

Her biggest hurdle in high school was passing Algebra II. "It was the only class I had a 'C' in. Other than that, they were all A's."

Reade worked hard for all of her achievements. "I may not have been the brightest, but I sure worked hard."

One of her best memories was in her sophomore year when the show choir boarded a cruise to the Bahamas after performing at a market in Florida.

"It was my first time for everything: seeing the ocean, being on an airplane, being on a cruise ship."

On the cruise ship, the show choir performed and then spent a day at the Bahamas.

"I will never forget about that."

Mrs. Pisarik

by Mackenzie Moreland

Anne Craig, also known as art teacher, Mrs. Pisarik, graduated from Iowa City City High in 2002.

Pisarik was an active member of the art club throughout her high school career. She also said that she was in choir the first two years of high school.

Pisarik did not have an abundance of free time because she was either busy taking photos for the yearbook or newspaper, as she held the position of photo editor. She also worked at Heyns' Ice Cream Store in Iowa City.

In the summer months, there was no slowing down. She said, "I was a counselor at Camp Wapsie."

Mrs. Pisarik was active in the fine arts. Pisarik continues to enrich the fine arts

department by teaching multiple art classes here at Lisbon.



Mrs. Pisarik, at age 15, smiles for the camera. (photo provided by Mrs. Pisarik)



The southside of the Old Gym is now storage. (photo by Cole Albaugh)



Decker Concrete sets the footings. (photo by Cole Albaugh)



TNT lays brick for the LECC play area. (photo by Cole Albaugh)



The football field will be at a standstill until spring. (photo by Cole Albaugh)



Decker Concrete makes way for the footings of the auditorium to be poured. (photo by Mrs. Reade)