



## Wolves' Tale Harris- Lake Park Community School

### Senior Spotlight

By Brianne Ihnen



Brittney Danielle Allard is the daughter of dad Sam Allard and Jackie Easter-Allard and mom Caitlin Redmon.

Brittney was born in Emmetsburg, Iowa, on July 8, 2000. She has many siblings. Brittney's nickname is Brit Brat.



Brittney has attended school at H-LP from kindergarten-first grade and then seventh-twelfth grades. Her classes

this semester are on the job training at Stan's Corner, TA for Mr. Sohn's chemistry class, principles of tech., personal finance, choir, government, and intro to accounting. Brittney participates in cheer, dance, quiz bowl, and speech. When she's not busy with her classes or activities, she works at Hy-vee as a checker.

Brittney's best memory at H-LP was when she decided to get involved in school activities her sophomore year. Her most embarrassing moment was when she bleached her hair in seventh grade and it turned different colors.

After Brittney graduates, she plans on going to a university and majoring in either bio-chemistry or biology. Her most awaited date is starting college. In ten years she can see herself living in the suburbs of Phoenix with a job. Her advice to underclassmen is to keep a positive attitude and go with the flow.



Some of Brittney's favorites include the following: her favorite food- turkey sandwiches, her favorite movie- Smokey and the Bandit, her favorite animal- whale, her favorite color- peach, her favorite musician- Bon Jovi, her favorite teacher- Mr. Sohn, her favorite class- chemistry, song- "Drops of Jupiter," and last but not least, her favorite quote, "What makes it valuable is that it doesn't last. What makes it precious is



### Dribble, shoot, and score

By Taylor Meyer

The Lady Wolves' basketball season began on November 6th with their first practice. This year the Wolves have a total of 15 players. Alexis Huff, Emma Sidles, and Brooklyn Greene are the freshmen on the team. There is only one sophomore out this year and that is Kenzie Heikens. Making up half the team, the juniors include Mady Brevik, Grace Elser, Brianne Ihnen, Taylor Meyer, Jazmin Voehl, Rachel Martin, Pien, and Ana. This year's team is led by the three seniors of Blake Gunderson, Avery Heikens, and Skylar Forbes. The Wolves are looking to have a great season with not having any seniors graduate and leaving last year's team.



The Wolves' team is looking at a new coaching staff. The two new coaches are superintendent Mr. Irwin and Mrs. Kyle. Both coaches have prior coaching experience. Mr. Irwin has coached for a total of 14 years, and Mrs. Kyle has coached for 11 years. Both coaches are looking forward to the season.

I got to talk to Coach Irwin about his thoughts on the season. He said, "I was not expecting to be coaching this year, but I am happy to have a chance to. In practice we have really been working on knowing what we need to do with the new offenses and defenses more than we have been working on individual drills. One strength that we have this year is that everyone is back. This means that we have the experiences of playing with each other. Everyone is a year older and has more experience."

This year in the conference he said that Unity, Hinton, and HMS are going to be the tougher teams to look out for. When I asked if he had any goals for the season, he said that he does not really have any goals, but he wants the players to come out and exceed expectations. Goals are not the point of the game, but the point is to put in effort and learn from your mistakes.

The Lady Wolves opened their season up on the road at GTRA. The game did not go how they wanted though with taking a 43-70 loss. It was nothing to hang their heads about though. The coaches were very impressed by the way that the girls played and are ready for the rest of the season to come.

Good luck to the girls as they get further into their season.

### Boys' basketball preseason

By Mady Brevik

The boys' basketball team is looking forward to their upcoming basketball season and started practice on November 13. Coach Sohn says they have been focusing most of their attention on rebounding and moving with a purpose on offense. This season's team consists of a variety of grades. The seniors are Bret Sohn, Bryce Perkins, Trevor



Gunderson, Keegan Carpenter, and Zach Heikens. The lone junior is Jon Luinstra. The sophomores are Isaac Ihnen, Julian Burdorf, Adrian Martin, Jaden Reuter, Abdulla Elbuytari, and Owen Sidles.

The freshmen are Brody Sohn, Lucas Gunderson, Dylan Meyer, Cole Ihnen, Rylan Ehret, Mason Olson, Alex Heikens, Caleb Cook, Jaxson Heikens, Brody Boles, and Carson Hellinga. The five returning letter winners are Bret, Bryce, Trevor, Keegan, and Zach. Unfortunately, due to injury in the previous football season, Zach and Keegan are unable to play.

Coach Sohn says the boys will need to focus on improving their rebounding skills considering their lack of size, but he says they will be a quick squad that will create an uptempo style and will play unselfish basketball.

Considering the War Eagle Conference, Coach Sohn thinks there will be a lot of good teams, but Gehlen Catholic, West Sioux, and Unity Christian will all be pretty solid.

Coach Sohn's goal for this season is to gel as a unit and be playing their best basketball the second half of the season. The boys opened their season to Okoboji at home on Thursday, November 30th.

"I'm really looking forward to seeing these guys battle this season and surprising some teams along the way," said Coach Sohn.

### Upcoming wrestling

There is SLP JV and varsity wrestling in Hull on December 7.

There is an SLP varsity wrestling tournament in Council Bluffs on December 8-9.

### Question of the week

By Avery Heikens

With Thanksgiving festivities just ending, I decided to ask some friends what they did over Thanksgiving break!

Kaylee Mulder- Spent time at my grandma's house  
Blake Gunderson-Went to my grandparents and spent time with family  
Peyton Christensen-Went to the cities to shop  
Bobby Oakley-Worked a bit and put lights on my house  
Brody Untiedt-Worked on my cousin Emma's farm in South Dakota  
Caleb Cook-Went to Sioux Falls with my family  
Jazmin Voehl-Hung out with my niece and went Black Friday shopping  
Grace Elser-Went to Wisconsin with my family and shopped a little  
Julian Burdorf- Went to 5 Thanksgivings in 3 days  
Kilyn Forbes- Had Thanksgiving with all my family and watched a lot of Netflix

I spent time with my family on Thursday and Friday. On Saturday I served at The Banquet in Sioux Falls with my youth group. I hope everyone had a fun Thanksgiving with friends and family.

### Dancing against diabetes

By Blake Gunderson

Mrs. Delaney, the health class teacher, incorporated learning about diabetes into her class. Since November is diabetes awareness month, the health class did some activities to help promote it.

The health class put together a couple fundraisers to help support the juvenile diabetes research fund. They all made some baked goods and had a bake sale which was held during the middle school and high school lunches. The kids in the health class also helped work at these bake sales.

The other fundraiser they did was a teacher dance off challenge. Each teacher that agreed to do it had a bucket with their name on it. These buckets sat in the lunch room for a week and students could drop money into the buckets. On Tuesday, November 21, the health class counted the money in each teacher's bucket. The two teachers who had the most money in their buckets had to do a dance off in front of the middle school and high school during 8th hour that day.



The judges for the dance off were the four students from our school that have Type 1 diabetes, Bryce Perkins, Nicole Mc-

Clain, Javen Baumgarn, and Riley Richard. These four students also got to pick the songs the two teachers danced to. The two contestants were Mr. Sohn and Mr. Sprague. Mr. Sohn ended up winning the dance off. Before the dance off happened, there was also an assembly where each student in the health class read a fact about diabetes.

Overall, the health class raised about \$400 through these two fundraisers. Lucas Gunderson, a health class student, said, "It was fun to put on these fundraisers and see everyone get involved."