



**Wolves' Tale  
Harris-  
Lake Park  
Community  
School**

## Senior Spotlight

### Onto New Adventures

By Avery Heikens

Blake Lindsey Gunderson, also known as Blakie and BG, is the daughter of Grant and Tonia Gunderson. Blake has one older brother, Ryan, and two younger siblings, Lucas and Tessa. She was born on July 2, 1999, at the hospital in Spirit Lake, Iowa.



Blake has been an active student here at H-LP. Blake's class schedule for this semester is anatomy, advanced math,

choir, independent writing, and introduction to computers. Blake has also always been on the A-honor roll at school.

Blake is involved in volleyball, basketball, softball, National Honor Society, and Student Council. Outside of school activities, Blake stays active in dance, tumbling, and attending the United Methodist Senior High Youth Group. During the summer Blake is not only a softball player, but she is a nanny for a local family here in Lake Park.

Blake's best memory at H-LP is all the lunch table conversations with her friends. Her most awaited moment is college move in day, but she will miss seeing all her friends and playing sports.

Blake plans to attend South Dakota State University and major in nursing. In the next ten years Blake sees herself working at a hospital nursing and having her own house and puppy. Her one wish is to travel the world at no expense.



Blake's favorite sport is softball, and her favorite place to eat is Gunderson's. Her favorite music artist is Thomas Rhett and her favorite song is "Sixteen" by Thomas Rhett. Blake's favorite movie is Trolls, her favorite animal is a dog, and her favorite color is purple. Anatomy is Blake's favorite class, while her favorite teacher is Mr. Sohn. Blake's favorite quote is, "If you're having fun, that's when the best memories are built" by Simone Biles.

Some advice to underclassmen from Blake is to, "Participate in as many activities as you can and have fun!"

Good luck, Blake, on your next adventure!

## A semester of fun

By Blake Gunderson

This year at H-LP we have two foreign exchange students; however, one was only here for a semester. Ana Savelyeva left on December 20th to fly to Peru where she would spend Christmas. After Peru she would then return home to Switzerland with her family.



While she was here, she was involved in football cheer-leading and then joined basketball after that. Some of Ana's favorite memories were meeting new people and trying out new

things that she would normally never do in her own country. When asked what she learned from American culture, she said, "Do more sports, eat less food."

The thing that Ana will miss most about H-LP is the friends that she made while she was here. Many of her friends will miss her, too.

Kaitlynd Reed said, "I am going to miss everything about Ana; it's that simple." Avery Heikens is going to miss watching her play basketball because she always gave so much effort. Braeton Nitzschke, who was her host brother, said, "I am going to miss her sense of humor and how funny she was."

One special memory that Ana got to take with her was the basketball shoes that she wore for this basketball season. Skylar Forbes let Ana wear her old basketball shoes since she was only going to be here for half of the season. At the end of the last game she played in, all the basketball players signed her shoes so she had something to remember them by when she left for home.

Once Ana returns home she will finish her year of school. Ana plans on returning to the United States this summer, as her family likes to travel a lot.

Ana had a fun time in America but was also ready to see her family again. The students and faculty at H-LP will miss her, but hopefully she will visit again soon.

### Question of the week

By Zoe Melby

With Christmas break coming to an end, I asked some students at H-LP what some things they did over break were.

Kaia U.- Slept  
Emilee W.- Slept  
Felicity W. - Slept  
Jocelyn E.- Slept and hung out with my friends and family  
Alexis H.- Hung out with my friends and family  
Jackson B. - went to a Vikings' game  
Riley R. - 4-wheeling  
Jon L.- worked at Bomgaars  
Brooklyn S.- "On Christmas day, I went to my aunt's house and played cards. I also went to my grandma's house."  
Jaslina S. - Stayed at my mom's house

I spent time with my family for the majority of Christmas break, and I played a lot of board games with my grandma. I also slept a lot and went to my aunt's house on Christmas to spend time with my aunt, uncle, and cousins.

## H-LP basketball back from break

By Mady Brevik

The Harris-Lake Park basketball teams came back from break with back to back away games for the new year.

On Thursday, January 4th, the girls and boys faced George-Little Rock. The girls started off strong with a 12-8 lead. At halftime, G-LR took the lead 14-21. The final score was 46-53, G-LR.

The leading rebounders for the night were Jazmin Voehl with 13 and Blake Gunderson with 8. Blake Gunderson led the H-LP offense with 12 points while Taylor Meyer and Jazmin Voehl both ended with 10 points.

The boys came out strong with a 23-24 G-LR, first quarter. By halftime, the score was 36-48, G-LR. The final score was 59-79, G-LR. The leading rebounders for the night were Bryce Perkins with 6 and Bret Sohn with 4. The H-LP offense was led by Bubba Sohn with 17 points and Trevor Gunderson with 11 points.

On Friday, January 5th, the teams headed to LeMars Gehlen Catholic. Gehlen's girls started hot and made the halftime score 22-37, Gehlen. The girls made a good run but the final score ended up 47-59 Gehlen Catholic. The leading rebounders were Jazmin Voehl with 9 and Blake Gunderson with 6. Jazmin Voehl led the Wolves with 14 points and Taylor Meyer finished with 10 points.



The boys yet again came out strong with a 30-34 halftime score. The final score was 57-69, Gehlen Catholic. The leading rebounders for the night were Bryce Perkins with 9 and Bret Sohn with 8. The Wolves were led by Trevor Gunderson with 20 points and Bubba Sohn with 16 points.

The teams are at home against Unity Christian on Friday, January 19. Varsity starts at 6:00.

## Traveling for the holidays

By Taylor Meyer

With the coming of the holiday season, many families travel to be with family and friends. A couple of Lake Park families decided to travel a little bit further this holiday season. This year these families decided to take the drive down to the warmer state of Florida.

First there is the Bradley family. The Bradleys went to Fort Myers, Florida, for their Christmas family vacation. It was a whole family trip including Morgan, Keegan, Koltyn, and their parents. This was the first time that the Bradley family has gone to Florida. The family left all loaded up in their truck on December 22nd.

Once they got to Florida they got to do all sorts of things. They went to the beach to get some sun, and they also went on an airboat ride. They also had the time to go shopping at some the malls down there. They also got to go fishing and went hog hunting on a buggy.

"My favorite part of the trip was going to the beach," said Morgan. Keegan and Koltyn both enjoyed the fishing and hunting hogs on a buggy. The family then headed back to the much colder state of Iowa.

The second family that went on vacation to Florida was Taylor Maranell's family. They and Mason Olsen's family took the trip together and went to Orlando, Florida. These guys also decided to drive down to Florida. These families left on December 21 and stayed until December 28th. It was Taylor's first time to go to Florida. These guys also went to the beach and went for an airboat ride. Taylor had one comment he wanted to add and that is, "Surf's up, dude!"



Mason's family has been to Florida before their trip this Christmas, but the last time that they went was two years ago. Mason's favorite part about the whole trip was seeing an alligator and going to the largest McDonalds in the world.