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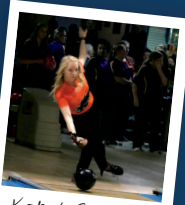
Hannah Axline (11)

Lining up her shot, Hannah Axline (11) aims for a spare. Axline ended her season by finishing second individually at regionals.



Zachariah Wedewer (12)

Zachariah Wedewer (12) rolls his ball down the lane against Independence.

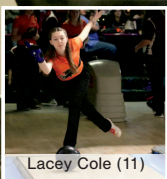


Kalliah Griffin (11)

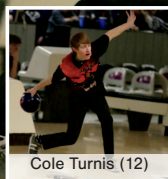
Kalliah Griffin (11) finishes her season, placing first individually in the WaMaC. The girls' bowling team ended their season as WaMaC champions.



Elijah Heims (11) aims for a strike at the 2A state bowling tournament at Cadillac Lanes in Waterloo. Heims ended his season with an average score of 190.



Lacey Cole (11)



Cole Turnis (12)



Kaley Pettion (10)

Surprise State Supporter Boys Enjoy Third State Appearance

At the class 2A state bowling tournament, sophomore Elijah Heims' main supporter was missing—his dad, Chris Heims.

Elijah knew his father would be in pain after hip replacement surgery earlier that day. "I accepted the fact that he wasn't going to be able to make it," Heims said.

However, shortly after the last pins were struck, Chris strolled into Cadillac Lanes in Waterloo.

Chris had attended every meet prior to state. "It meant a lot to the team that he came to help us celebrate," Cole Turnis (12) said. Racking up 3,020 pins to take first place at the district qualifier meet, the Hawks punched their ticket to state.

Heims and his teammates were excited

walking into the state tournament and had high hopes of a three-peat, after claiming first place the previous two years. Just 25 pins away from first place, the boys placed third in class 2A.

"I have high hopes for our team next year," Brandon Larsen (11) said. "Our team vibes really helped us this year and will definitely help next year."

Larsen and Alexander Schnieders (12) placed individually at the state tournament. Larson walked away from his first year of bowling with a fifth place finish. Schnieders ended his career with a tenth place finish.

"I didn't know what this season was going to bring, but it was a good ending to my bowling career," Schnieders said.

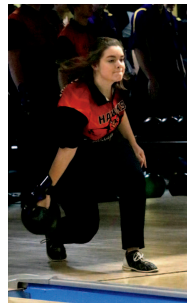
Down the Lane



Celebrating after a strike at the state tournament, Ian Tibbott (12) finishes his senior season with an individual average of 216. "Qualifying for state was so exciting, especially because we had the chance of a three-peat," Tibbott said.

Focusing on the pins, Regan Recker (10) aims for a strike. "I was so excited when I scored my high score of 190," Recker said.

At Cadillac Lanes in Waterloo, Alexander Schnieders (12) warms up prior to the state tournament. Schnieders ended the season with a high series of 511.



Boys' Bowling. Front Row: Kalen Recker, Elijah Heims, Nicholas Jones, Carson Schnieders; Row 2: Hunter Cole, Charles Rich, Jacob Hosch, Brandon Larsen, Bryce LaCaille; Back Row: Coach Bob Morris, Zachariah Wedewer, Cole Turnis, Alexander Schnieders, Grant Schmidt, Ian Tibbott, Coach Sue Morris.



Girls' Bowling. Front Row: Lacey Cole, Lorna Niedert, Kalliah Griffin, Kyleigh Marsden, Hannah Axline, Kaley Pettion; Row 2: Emma Massman, Yanisa Nanthathanate, Madison Zaring, Kennedy Rees, Jacy Jacobsen; Back Row: Coach Ken Bosenberg, Regan Recker, Madison Shontz, Molly Mullis, Coach Sue Morris.

A "You Had to be There" Moment

Air Ball in Baker



and then laughed with him. "I guess I should get my ball redrilled," Schmidt said.

It happens to everyone, but for Grant Schmidt (12) it happened at the Prairie Baker Tournament.

Schmidt walked in ready to compete, but when he went to bowl, his thumb got stuck in the ball. Instead of rolling down the lane, the ball went into the air and landed with a thud while Schmidt teetered to the right. His teammates asked if he was okay



At the 2019 boys state bowling tournament, the boys' bowling team brings home the third place trophy. Front Row: Coach Bob Morris, Alexander Schnieders, Cole Turnis, Ian Tibbott, Brandon Larsen, Grant Schmidt, Elijah Heims, Coach Sue Morris.