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## stories

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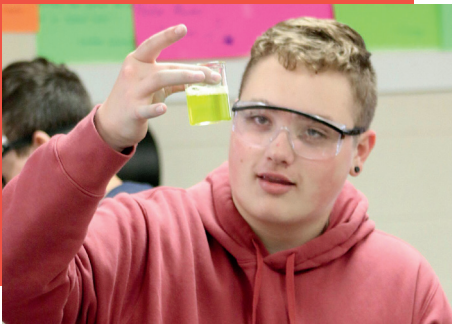


[photo] Alashia McMurdo

*Student Life 004*

## facts

Jakeb Voss 21



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## faces

Janelle Morris 22 and Sienna Kaestner 20



[photo] Camryn Mosty

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Wyatt Bieschke 20



[photo] Jaden Thys

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Ryan Grace 23



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[photo] Alashia McMurdo

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**Total Effort** Football coaches, players, cheerleaders, the student body and other community members flood the field and circle around Coach Jeff Zittergruen and his family before the game to recognize him in his battle against thyroid cancer. [photo] Makenna McManemy

**Cognitive Exertion** To kick off the Atkins cross country meet, Brady Ellis 21 mentally prepares himself. Ellis said, "It's not easy to run 3.1 miles competitively. I try to keep my teammates in sight and try not to let them down."

[photo] Jenna Welty

**Rally** After the football game against Cascade, Karsyn Semelroth 20 shows her pride. "We ended up winning, so I led the student section in the 'I believe we just won' chant," Semelroth said. "Being apart of the student section is one of my favorite parts of high school. I love that team." [photo] Makenna McManemy



Opening



- 1. **Pure Bliss** The stunner of the show is the props for Emma Eiler 22. "With these flags, it really brought more of a beautiful show," Eiler said. [photo] Camryn Mosty
- 2. **Concentration** Determined, Justin Bierschenk 21 and Jonah Eastwood 20 stay focused on their weld. Eastwood said, "I wanted to get it [the torch] to the proper setting so I could create an amazing weld." [photo] Camryn Mosty
- 3. **On Point** At the Veteran's Day program, Carley McMains 20 performs "Taps." "I wanted to make sure I played it right for them," McMains said. [photo] Alashia McMurdo



Benton is a small school with less than 500 students. We know everyone in our community, which includes family relations. We know all of the topics of discussion whether it is someone's personal accomplishments or team wins.

Nominated for KCRG's Student of the Month, Aubree Milling 20 stood out in her community. She maintained a 4.0 GPA while she played an active role in her school and community. These are the **Stories** we know.

As a sophomore, Alex Ludeking took and excelled on the ACT

exam. He was recognized for this exceptional accomplishment at the University of Iowa. These are the **Facts** we know.

Staff member Jeff Zittergruen was diagnosed with thyroid cancer, and the support was immense. Part of the football team gathered together to visit Zittergruen at his first round of radiation. These are the **Faces** we know.

Football player Blake Osborn 20 earned Athlete of the Week with his sensational skills as the kicker. These are the **Battles** we know.

Bowling was added to clubs. This will only be a club for one year when it becomes a sanctioned sport and students compete against other schools. These are the **Devotions** we know.

Our school does what it takes to make every student feel welcome in their own individual way. These are the **Names** we know.

From sports to clubs, every student creates his or her own narrative. We support our peers, pay attention to what is around us and celebrate all victories. That is how...

# We Know.



Students discovered their passions as they attended meetings, conferences or practices with those closest to them.

Speech earned 5th place overall at the WaMaC Individual Speech contest as several placed in the top five in their categories. Jackson Kleinmeyer 23 placed 1st in Radio Announcing and 5th in Improv; Alex Ludeking 22 placed 5th in Storytelling; Rebecca Payne 22 received 3rd in After Dinner Speaking; Taylor Bauer 21 - 4th in Poetry, Izzy Carley 21 - 4th in Solo Musical Theater and in Spontaneous Speaking, Amity Nichol 21 - 5th in Poetry and Ashley Brennan 20 went on to receive 5th in Literary Program. Most of these same students then advanced to state.

Student Council members Avrie Peck 22, Emery Rinderknecht 23, Camryn

Mosty 20 and others wanted students to feel more connected to their school. They hosted the first annual Glow Dance on March 6, a week before the shutdown.

Robotics hosted a food drive before the holidays to help Benton families who faced food insecurities. Some who helped included Jaired Lyons 20, Quintin Volesky 21, Jackson Kleinmeyer 23 and Thomas Wilson 20.

Yearbook received the Neubert Award, and the staff who made that possible with hard work, dedication and returned to create the 2020 yearbook included Camryn Mosty 20, Makenna McManemy 20, Hailey Hakes 21, Jenna Welty 21, Alashia McMurdo 21 and Amber Littrel 20.

Clubs brought us together to create and unwind. These are the devotions...

**We Know.**

# devotions We Know.

## Clubs ■ Division

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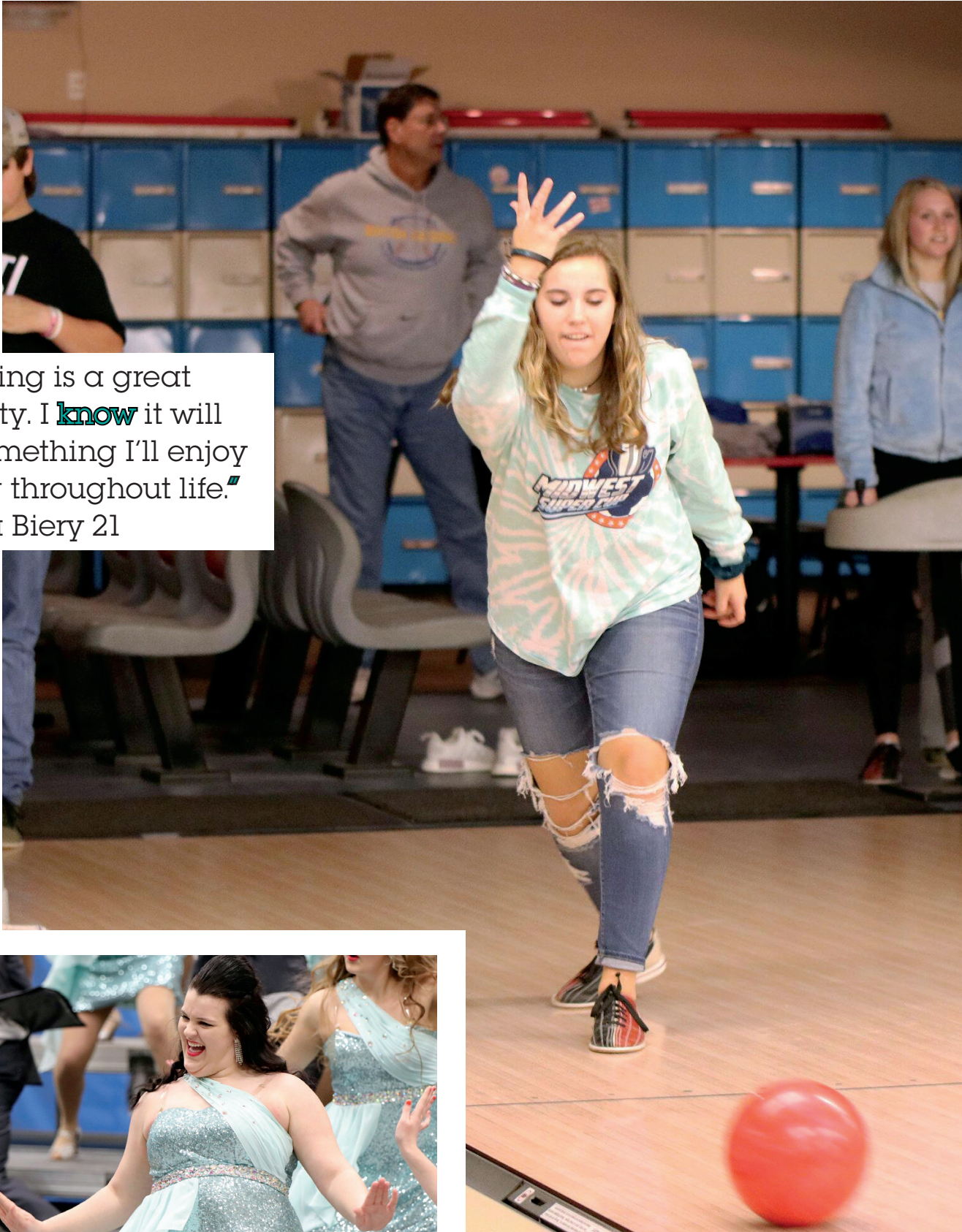
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"Bowling is a great activity. I know it will be something I'll enjoy doing throughout life."  
- Julia Biery 21

[photo] Rachel Maschino



**Unforgettable** Show choir provides Kenna Kline 21 a way to express herself. "Being on stage is different from anything else I have done in high school," Kline said. "In show choir, not only do you have to perform and keep a smile on your face, you really have to sell it and love what you are doing." [photo] Alashia McMurdo

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