Sweet Treat At Cold Stone Creamery, Izzy Carley 21 enjoys her ice cream. Carley said, "David Hultman [21] paid for all of us. I got birthday cake mixed with cookie monster. It made me feel like I was in Florida." [photo] Hailey Hakes Public Forum A photo shoot makes Brooklyn Davidson 20 anxious. "I don't like having my picture taken, so she [Camryn Mosty 20] made me laugh," Davidson said. "We felt like everyone was staring at us." [photo] Camryn Mosty



A Slick Scoop The weekly post-football game visit to Orange Leaf makes Sophia Carlson 21 and Maddy Ramm 21 giggle. "I was laughing because I just dropped my chocolate frozen yogurt on the table. I missed my mouth, and it slipped right off my spoon," Ramm said. [photo] Jenna Welty Frat Friday When seniors Jack McGovern and Brady Sadler dress up as frat guys, they also show school spirit. McGovern said, "We thought Brad and Chad were pretty good frat guy names. People were looking at us weird in the student section because we were acting dumb," [photo] Aiden Albertsen 21

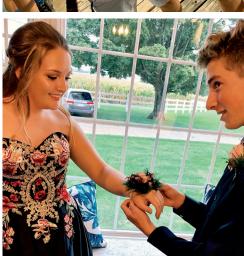




Strange Sight To escape the cold autumn weekend, Seth Block 22 wears a onesie. "I was with Carsyn Peters [22] and people thought it was funny because you don't really see people in a onesie," Block said. [photo] Jenna Welty







Best Buds At homecoming, Caiden Becker 22 places the corsage on Ella Hayden's 22 wrist. "We're good friends, and we had a great time. Ella had a RV, and she decorated us a party bus," Becker said. [photo] John Hayden

Not Our First Rodeo

Young bull riders face a dangerous sport

Weekends provided an opportunity to ride bulls for twins Ryan Grace 23 and Zachary Grace 23 at a young age.

When I was two, I was riding sheep. Starting off littler helped me a lot, and it was a good start instead of just hopping into bull riding," Zachary said.

Knowledge of the sport helped assist the brothers on their rides.

"The more experience you have, the easier it is. You don't have to think about it as much; it's more natural," Ryan said. "Everything is rushing through your head. [You're] trying to stay focused and keep all the basics in vour mind."

However, no matter how skilled

and experienced, unexpected events still occurred.

Ryan said, "I'm not afraid because I'm used to it, but when I got hung up and dragged underneath the bull, I was worried. You go off the wrong side of the bull, and you can't get your hand out of the rope, so it drags you along until the bull fighters pull it out for you."

For Zachary, practice always allowed him to remain composed enough to finish his rides.

"When you get off the bull, you gotta run. If you get in his face, he'll run you over." Zachary said. "The adrenaline is pumping. You put your hand in the rope and you ride."

- Jenna Welty

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Worthwhile Walk At a Cedar Rapids cancer benefit walk, Dakota Cooksley 23 finds delight while he helps others. "It was for someone at my mom's work. I enjoy walking with my dogs [and] raising money for anyone in need and charity," Cooksley said.
[photo] Karley Cooksley Late Night Doze After a night chocked full of video games, Folk Saysuib 22 tries to fall asleep. "I was tired because it was 3:00 in the morning," Saysuib said. "I really don't like sleeping because you just lay there with your eyes closed." [photo] Zander Shellenberger 22

Best friends since...

2008

Juniors Jacob Blanchett and Hunter Kimm enjoy their weekends together. "We do random things like play video games," Blanchett said, "[or go] to Lost Island water park."



2016

A friendship between Avary McVay 23 and Joey Shepherd 23 breaks teen stereotypes. McVay said, "We can connect without being concerned about what others think about us."



Scary times lead to a friendship for Abby Wendel 22 and Alaina Tjelmeland 22. "We sit in Ally's basement and watch the movie "IT" while eating popcorn," Wendel said.

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