Junior High Softball Season

The sixth through eighth grade middle school softball team had a great season. We all grew as players, which developed into a hardworking team.
By: Brooklyn Malone

Janessa King aiming for a strike to get the last out in the second inning.
Picture By: Brooklyn Malone

The girls played great. It was a great year to end the season on.
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This photo was captured on a throw down to second base against Oklahoma Union.
Pictured: Hailey Gilman, Hayden Foster, Brooklyn Malone, and Janessa King.
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Middle School Football

The three games the Ironmen Middle School football team has played, they lost. The team is working hard to get better in all sorts of ways, like practicing tackling. In the first game Nowata played, our running back, Jose Wilson, scored a touchdown on the Wyandotte Bears, but the Ironmen didn’t secure the win. In the second game the Ironmen played, they took the 38 to 0 loss. The most recent game the team went against OKU, they also took a disappointing loss. The Ironmen are trying harder than ever in practice, they’re going to work hard in practice and in game. By: Jackson Vanderpool.

Nowata Middle School Cheer

Our school has a cheerleading team. The cheer coach of the team is Mrs. Mary and the cheer captain is Tierra Nelson. Kahlyn Reese is the co-captain and the cheerleaders’ names are Tia Tanner, Bailey Belden, Kennedy Nubel, Jaylyn Trotter, and Haelee Hesslen. In cheer, we have a lot of bonding experiences. Mrs. Mary stated, “My favorite part of being a coach is that I get to make connections with students, that I would have otherwise missed out on knowing.” I asked Mrs. Mary what she has learned in life from being a cheer coach and she said, “Patience and to enjoy the moment.” By: Kahlyn Reese
In the offseason of basketball, we practice to get ready for the season. We practice fundamentals, work on dribbling, while we also practice footwork and do a bit of shooting. On Fridays, we get a free day, where we can do whatever we want. What I like to do is three on three pick up games with my friends, in which you have three teams. There is a team on each baseline one at half court, The goal is to keep them from scoring. If they score they keep playing until they lose. By: Talon Thompson
College Football

Week One: Saturday, September 12th, starts the Big 12 season with the Oklahoma Sooners playing Missouri State, Texas Tech playing HBU, Kansas playing CCU, Texas playing UTEP, Kansas State playing Arkansas State, Iowa State playing UL, and West Virginia playing EKU. Some games were postponed and pushed to week three. Oklahoma State will not be selling normal tickets this year; only season tickets. For the Sooners, this season is looking good, but not as good as last season. They lost Cede Lamb, and their QB, Spencer Rattler, is only a freshman, with very little experience. This season, the Cowboys have Spencer Sanders and Tylan Wallace returning, and Chuba Hubbard with the most rushing yards in the Big 12.

Week two: All Big 12 teams have a bye week except Oklahoma State. The Cowboys played the Tulsa Golden Hurricanes. Early in the game, starting Quarterback Spencer got injured, and for the rest of the first half Bullock was in and did not do well. The next half the Cowboys were down 7-3, then they put in third string Shane Illingworth and first play threw a 30-yard pass to Tylan Wallace and completed it, then the next play threw it again and got to about three yard line.

Week three: The Oklahoma Sooners take a loss against the Kansas State Wildcats. The Wildcats made a come from behind victory from 21 points down. Oklahoma QB Spencer Rattler through three interceptions and the last pic cost them the game. The score was 38-35. The Oklahoma State Cowboys had a victory against the mountaineers and wore throw back jerseys to honor running back Thurman Thomas and put his name as fist on the ring of honor. The score was 27-13. QB Shane Illingworth threw only one pic, and threw 139 yards.
Homecoming

Dress up days:

Monday: we didn’t have school due to Labor Day
Tuesday: Decade Day
Wednesday: was Twin Day
Thursday: was Country VS Country Club
Friday: was Spirit Day
By: Hailey Gillman

Homecoming Pep Assembly

The Pep Assembly was Friday at 2:30 pm. We all went into the middle school gym, and watched the teachers play silly games. They played tic-tac-toe on a table with cups, the students took home the prize on that one. They also played bucket pong with softballs. The teachers won that game. They used some high school students too.
As Williams Steig’s fourth Shrek movie, he still found a way to make it interesting. He thought of new ideas of what should happen in the movie, and made it work. He must have had a good imagination to think of all his new ideas and new adventures. In Shrek Forever After, Shrek is on a whole new adventure, once again trying to figure out what he will do on this journey. Shrek faces a midlife crisis when he gets married and has three kids. So much is going on in his life at the time that he wishes for it all to go away and just to be an ogre again. He goes to Lord Farquaad and tells him he just wants to go back to how life was before. He wishes away his entire life and family, and he has to go on a bunch of adventures to get his family back. Donkey also happens to get married to his newly found lover, Dragon. Donkey and Dragon have six kids. Will they be able to handle all that responsibility? Donkey still acts like a little kid himself, so is anyone sure he can take care of six children? Shrek and Donkey go through a bunch of obstacles to try to fix his mistake, and get his family back. I recommend this movie because it’s hilarious and has quality storytelling. I’d give this movie a 8/10 for the amazing plot line. By: Kennedy Newsom
The Hunger Games was written by Suzanne Collins, an American author and screenwriter. This young woman, named Katniss Everdeen, volunteers to compete in the Hunger Games, a battle for survival. Her little sister, Primrose, got chosen originally, but Katniss wanted to save her little sister.

Based on my opinion, the book was great. When I read it, I was on the edge of my seat, wondering what would happen next. I liked how the book and the movie have differing plots, but are somewhat similar. If I had to rate this book, I would probably give it a 8 out of 10. I wouldn’t give it a 10 out of 10 because there were some parts that I got bored reading, but they weren’t boring enough to make me stop reading. If you are looking for a book to read that catches attention I would recommend this if your age range is around 12 and older.

By: Addyson Patton

The colorful new “Superman” flavor

Is the summer heat getting to you? Then go to our town’s new ice cream shop for a delicious Choc Chip Cookie Dough cone. Or try the exclusive ‘Superman’ flavor, which consists of the flavors “Red Pop”, “Lemon Sorbet”, and “Blue Moon”.

SLO Acres Soda Fountain was founded by Scott and Laura Offutt. They decided on an ice cream shop, because they both love ice cream and wanted a place where families could meet. It was so popular, they sold out of ice cream the first day. Since opening, they have been growing every day and their customers love their ice cream!

The name comes from their initials, SLO, and acres, which refers to their life out in the country.
The Teacher of the Month is Mrs. Maggard. She teaches PLTW and 6th grade math. Mrs. Maggard also has a lot of fun projects going on right now. She was born on May 20th, 1978. Her favorite color is green, and her favorite sport is basketball. Her favorite book is “Have you Seen Luis Velez?” Mrs. Maggard’s favorite time of year is fall, she likes it because “Nothing is better than cool weather.” Mrs. Maggard’s favorite sport is basketball. Her favorite place to eat is Outback Steakhouse, her favorite thing there is the bread.

Mrs. Maggard said the best part about teaching is the relationship she has with each student, whether it's through extracurricular interest or academic interest. The worst part about teaching for her is having patience, it's hard to find sometimes but somehow she finds it. The best advice she's been given about teaching is that, “Every day is a new day, a fresh start.”
Robotics

In the past month of Robotics, we were learning what simple machines are and how to use the tools. The simple machines we are learning about are the screw, inclined plane, wedge, lever, wheel & axle, and pulley. We learned all of the safety rules and took a test over them. We had to redo the test over and over until we got 100 percent accuracy. I'm so excited for when we build our first robots.

6th Grade

PLTW

During this PLTW class the students will make a boot and toy design for Cerebral Palsy, and a cube puzzle. They design a boot to help the kids that can't walk right. Some of them can't walk correctly because their heels are not touching the ground. They make toys to help with the childrens grip when they play with the toys. Last year a group of girls made cardboard fruits connected with velcro for the kids to pull apart. It helped them with grip, because they had to grab the fruits to pull them apart. Then they make a cube puzzle out of small blocks and race to see who can do eachothers faster. By: Addyson Patton and Kennedy Newsom