

Knight Writer

Senior Spotlights

by Zarrick Black Spotted Horse



Leiton Heinemann was born May 25, 2008. His parents are Angie and Eric Heinemann. Leiton says he likes how nice and understanding the teachers are at Homer. His favorite lunch at the school is pizza. Math is his favorite subject and the math teacher, Mr. Ferris, is his favorite teacher. He has participated in one act, choir and manager for cross country. His most memorable moment in his time at Homer is when his classmate Darrance sang one of his own songs in the gym. His plans for after graduation would be to go to UNL and study to become a dentist.

Caylix Huffman was born April 18, 2008. His parents are Susan Huffman and Tremayne Free. He likes how quiet Homer is. His favorite lunch is honey chicken with rice. He is most interested in anatomy when it comes to school subjects. His favorite teacher is Mr. Hightree. Caylix has done cross country and track for sports. The most memorable moment for Caylix was hanging out with his friends and having fun at track practice last year. Once he graduates from high school, he plans to go to WSC and become a nurse.

Eimile Jessen was born November 24, 2007. Her parents are Aaron and Stephene Jessen. She likes the size of Homer's school and that it isn't very complicated. Her favorite lunch is chicken nuggets. She likes history more than any other subject. Her favorite teacher is Mrs. Delperdang. For sports/activities she has done volleyball, golf, and choir. The most memorable moment for her was "The year that we were doing the kickball tournament at the school playground, and everything was cold and muddy." She plans to join the Air Force once she graduates.

Lilly Harris was born September 1, 2007. Her parents are Blake and Adrienne Harris. She likes the community of Homer. Her favorite lunch is chicken nuggets. She enjoys history the most. Her favorite teacher is Mr. Hightree. For sports/activities she has done cross country, basketball, and track. The most memorable moments for her were medaling at state track her sophomore and junior years. She plans to go to Morningside to study nursing and run cross country and track.

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Tyley Jump is the daughter of Nicky and Keith Jump. She was born December 19th, 2007. Tyley's favorite things about Homer are that it is a very small school, and you get to know everyone. Her favorite food is the delicious pizza the lunch ladies make. Tyley's favorite teacher is Mr. Dziurawiec, and favorite class is his math class. Tyley has participated in many things including wrestling, track, softball, cross country, NHS, and student council. Her best memory from Homer is playing kickball in the rain and watching everyone slip on the mud. Tyley is going to college for mental health counselling. She also plans to travel and maybe even live in another state for a couple years.

Michelle Mission is the daughter of Moreen Mission and Joland Kaious. She was born January 19, 2008. She likes Homer because she gets to see her friend every day. Michelle's favorite subject is art, and her favorite teacher is Mrs. Tremayne. Her favorite moment from Homer High is the class competition day. Michelle plans to reunite with her family in Arkansas and plans on becoming a nail technician.

Bodie Nelson is the son of Todd and Melanie Nelson. He was born on July 2, 2007. Bodie likes Homer a lot because there aren't very many people and it's small. His favorite subject is speech class with Mr. Launsby, and he is his favorite teacher. He has participated in wrestling, football, and golf. Bodie's favorite memory is going out to eat with Ethan Torticill during school. He doesn't know what he is going to do after high school. He says, "I guess we will find out."

Girls' Basketball

by Drake Ickler

Homer 47, West Point-Beemer 35

Lily Harris 14 points, 7 steals, Taiah Bird 15 points; Janessa Overgaard 8 rebounds, 4 blocks

Homer 55, Omaha Nation 60

Lily Harris 24 points, 5 steals; Taiah Bird 13 points; Janessa Overgaard 10 rebounds, 5 steals

Homer 38, Westwood 70

Lily Harris 3 steals; Taiah Bird 4 assists; Natali Loofe 11 points, 4 rebounds; Jovee Valentin 4 rebounds; Macy Vanschoiack 3 steals

JV Homer 20, Westwood 19

Kinley Murphy 6 points

Homer 45, Bergan 52

Lily Harris 18 points, 5 steals; Natali Loofe 7 rebounds

JV Homer 20, Bergan 19

Kinley Murphy 6 pts

Homer 22, Pender 63

Lily Harris 6 rebounds, 9 points, 4 steals

JV Homer 15, Pender 24

Macy Vanschoiack 5 pts

Homer 60, Randolph 11

Lily Harris 20 pts, Natali Loofe 4 assists, 9 steals

JV Homer 38, Randolph 9

Brooklyn Hightree 13 points

Homer 33, Oakland-Craig 55

Lily Harris 11 points, 6 steals; Natali Loofe 5 rebounds

JV Homer 29, Oakland-Craig 22

Kinley Murphy 11 points

Homer 49, Tri County NE 36

Lily Harris 19 points, Taiah Bird 4, 6 steals, Janessa Overgaard 9 rebounds, 10 points, 4 assist, 6 steals

JV Homer 26, Tri County NE 12

Kinley Murphy 12 points



Homer Knights' Speech

by Madison Snow

Homer head speech coach Ashley Ziska has been in charge for ten years. She said this season started out well, and she has 14 participants this year: Justice Barclay, Colton Victor, Conner Probst, Allison Blackbird, Rylee Luesebrink, Clover Hirsch, Josalyn Dinsmore, Alejandra Garcia, Bergan Lefdal, Riley Oligmueller, Addie Ziska, Triston Owens, Kai Slowman, and Kylie Kocian.

The team has meets throughout March. 9 March is the Lewis & Clark championship in Emerson, and Homer hosts District C1-3 on 17 March. State qualifiers compete in Kearney on 27 March.



Homer Boys' Wrestling

by Moises DelAngel

The 2025-2026 Homer Knights Wrestling team is made up of Austin Pelster, Aden Ahlman, Nelson Inos, Brode Classen, and Colton Victor. It is coached by head coach Jakob Jerabek and assistant coaches Dustin Barclay, Isaac Barclay, and Josh Curry, along with student managers Beckett Barclay and Josalyn Dinsmore.

The Conference Dual tournament hosted here at Homer went very well for Austin Pelster, Colton Victor, and Nelson Inos. Austin Pelster went undefeated with 6 wins and now has an outstanding record of 28-5. Colton, Nelson, and Aden had several intense wins. There was a lot of great competition between the teams and wrestlers fighting to end up on top. Thank you to all the sponsors and individuals who helped arrange the tournament.

The team has shown a lot of determination throughout the winter months, putting in long hours of practice to perfect their technique. Every wrestler has worked hard to improve their strength and speed on the mat. This dedication has helped the group grow closer as a team while they prepare for the final stretch of their competitive schedule.

The Knights host a triangular on Thursday, February 5th between Homer, Ponca, and Dakota Valley. For Districts, the Knights travel to Shelby-Rising City on February 13-14. They hope to continue their success as the season comes to an end, so be sure to show up and support the Knights!

Girls' Wrestling

by Zarrick Black Spotted Horse

Elgin: Avery Kramper went 2-2 with her first match pinning in the girl in 14 seconds, breaking the school record against a Fullerton girl. She lost her next match against a St. Paul girl, then won her third match with a 24 second pin against a Twin River girl. She lost her last match against a Crofton girl.

Winnebago: Avery went 2-2, losing her first match to a West Point-Beemer girl. She pinned her second girl in a 1:25 against an Wagoo girl. She won her next match with a 7-2 decision against an O'Neil girl, and then lost her last match against a Wayne girl.

Winside: Avery went 1-2. She lost her first match against a Plainview girl, then came back and won her second match, pinning an NEN girl in 37 seconds. She lost her third match to a Winnebago girl.

Summerland: Avery went 3-2. She won her first match, pinning a Boone Central girl in 3:44, won her second match against a SSC girl, pinning her in 1:10, and lost her third match against a Neligh-Oakdale girl. She came back and won her fourth match, pinning her in 3:56 against a Madison girl, and ended up losing her last match against a Cedar Catholic girl.

Battle Creek: Avery went 2-2. She pinned her first girl from Battle Creek, and she lost her second match to a West Point-Beemer girl. She next pinned a Fullerton girl and lost to a Lincoln North Star girl.



February Birthdays

2/3 Sadie Cale, Autumn Claassen, Danaya Schincke
2/4 Ella Ahlsten
2/6 Caitlyn Church
2/7 Corkin Creed
2/9 Luke Hightree, Charlie Holzman
2/10 Nicholas Lundeen
2/11 Moises DelAngel, Milani Moore
2/15 Wah Paw
2/16 Alexis Jessen, George Lang
2/17 Sophia Schincke, Jessup Snowball
2/18 Jaxon Brewer
2/20 Braxton Farewell
2/21 Caden Barclay
2/23 Bennett Stewart
2/24 Justice Lar
2/28 Liam Chernock



Homer Knights Calendar

February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 •GVBB TBD @TBA	3 • BVBB TBD @ TBA	4	5 •GVBB TBD @ TBA •BWR 6:00 @ Homer	6 GWR TBD @ Plainview •BVBB 6:00 @ TBA	7 •G/BVBB TBD @ TBA •GWR TBD @PV
8	9 •GWR TBD @ Creighton •BJHBB 4:00 @ Ponca •G/BVBB6:00 @ WSC	10 •G/BVBB 6:00 @ BC-R	11 •Parent Teacher Conferences @ 4:00	12 •Parent Teacher Conferences @ 4:00	13 •No school •BWR TBD @ SRC •G/BJVBB 4:30 @ Homer •G/BVBB 6:00@Homer	14 •BWR TBD @ SRC •Spee: V 8:00 @ Wausa
15	16 •GVBB TBD @TBA	17 •GVBB TBD @TBA •GWR TBD @ CHI HCAO	18	19 •GVBB TBD @ TBA •BWR TBD @ CHI HCOA	20 •BWR TBD@CHI HCOA •BJVBB 5:30 @Homer •BVBB 7:00@ Homer	21 •BWR TBD @CHI HCOA •Spee: 8:00 @ Wins •BJHBB 8:30 @ Ponca
22	23 • BVBB TBD @ TBA	24 • BVBB TBD @ TBA	25	26 •BVBB TBD @ TBA	27 GVBB TBD @ TBA	28 BVBB TBD @ TBA by CayeLynn Jones