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“A free press can be good or bad, but, most certainly, without freedom a press will never be anything but bad.” ~ Albert Camus



Tennis: new members and new goals

MOLLY ARMENTROUT

Tennis season has started at Audubon High School. Boys and girls are excited to be adding several new members to the team. Sophomore Lila Sebetka is one of many new members for the girls tennis team. Sebetka stopped playing tennis her fourth grade year because she was too involved in other sports, but she decided to join this year because she missed having a sport in the spring and missed the game of tennis. Sebetka said the hardest part is “re-learning the game and getting used to it again.” Sebetka is very nervous for her first match on April 7 in Denison, but is also very excited.

Veteran senior Bradley Nissen has been playing tennis for about 12 years on his own and has been on the Audubon team since his freshman year. Nissen enjoys tennis so much because “it takes almost equal skill and athleticism to play, and also it is a game without a time limit, which means that at any point in the game, either player can still win the game.”

Tennis brings much enjoyment to Nissen but it also has its challenges. “The hardest thing for me was my consistency and my composure in long matches. I have improved on this by focusing more on the match on a point by point basis, and I have also played many tournaments in the past couple summers to help improve my play against better players.” Nissen’s goal for this season, as a senior, is to “end the year with a winning record as the number one from here, and also I would like to make it to sub-state.” Nissen knows sub-state is a hard goal to meet but he is willing to put in the effort to make it a reality.



Spring cleaning

SARAH MOSINSKI

After all the snow and cold weather, people start to get anxious when the weather rises to the mid 50s. Taking off heavy coats and rolling the windows down on the way home from school is definitely trending at the Audubon High School. Something else that goes with warmer temperatures is spring cleaning, which involves a lot more than some would expect. Popular activities of spring cleaning include bringing spring and summer clothes out of storage, boxing up winter clothes, cleaning out garages and sheds, and dusting miscellaneous furniture throughout the house.

Melanie Petersen, a senior, cleans out her car at the end of winter so her car is ready for the spring. Rachel Mosinski, a freshman, goes through her dresser

in the beginning of spring and sorts through her warm clothes. “I box all the winter clothes up and take them to the attic. After bringing down my summer clothes, I go through them and decide what items I will sell in the upcoming garage sale,” Mosinski said.

Now-a-days most people can find a variety of tricks and tips to make cleaning easier. When looking on a popular site such as Pinterest, one might find various wacky ways to get tasks done easier or faster. For example, a trick to washing a washing machine tells a person to run a cycle with bleach and then another cycle of white vinegar. This may seem unusual but it might be what someone’s washer needs. Another popular spring-cleaning activity is getting younger kids involved.



An Evening in Vegas is the prom theme at Audubon High School this year. (Image from Google Images)

Juniors prepping for prom

DANIEL THOELKE

Prom is less than a month away and everyone is getting ready, especially the Audubon High School junior class who will be setting it up this year. To raise money for prom, the junior class sold magazines in late fall. But as of now, not as much money was raised, so the class, in their adviser groups, have had to compensate in their own ways.

Within the adviser groups, individuals are stepping up to help in their own way by getting things donated to looking into ways to save money. Junior Madison Hagedorn is in the group responsible for the ballroom and said

that she is “looking up decorations trying to save money” herself and that they are for the most part “getting all we wanted.”

Junior Joseph Remsburg is part of the group that is in charge of pictures, the invitation, and the DJ. Remsburg said, “since grand march is getting everything donated, we have a little more money” for things that they want, which is the same case for Hagedorn’s group.

Hagedorn said that “the groups are working well together” and Remsburg agrees that the class officers are working even better together. Both are hopeful for the best and excited to set up for their “Evening in Vegas.”

Music mania

GEENA WEBER

People are getting their tickets for concerts and music festivals and artists are dropping new albums that a lot of people are excited about. Notable musicians who have released albums recently are Kendrick Lamar and AWOLNATION. Music festivals, such as Rockfest, are coming up and fans are pumped to rock out.

Kendrick Lamar released his new album “To Pimp a Butterfly” on March 16. Senior Hannah Spencer, senior, said she’s not a fan of the album when comparing it to the rapper’s previous works. “He was too political on his new album and was trying to force the sound too much,” said Spencer. In Spencer’s opinion Lamar “tried to put too much into one album and made it sound like he tried way too hard on this one.” Spencer said that the best song on “To Pimp a Butterfly” is “Alright,” but the album “good kid, m.A.A.d city” is still Kendrick Lamar’s “best work yet.”



Artwork for Awol Nation’s new album “Run.”

On March 17, the band AWOLNATION released their second album “Run.” AWOLNATION makes electronic rock music and is known for songs such as “Sail” from their previous album and “Hollow Moon” is currently the most popular song from the new album. Sophomore Kyle Polson noted that he misses the band’s old sound and that “Run” doesn’t give the same type of feeling or flow as before. Polson said that a couple of songs on the album have meaning, but overall “it seems like a money grab.”

Junior Rebecca Nowicke says she enjoys every song in the album and

said, “It’s like every song is my favorite, [and] I think the entire album is pretty good.”

One festival that Audubon students go to is Rockfest. It is the largest music event for its genre of music in the United States and will be visiting the Westfair Amphitheater in Council Bluffs. Polson has been to Rockfest twice and said, “It’s really fun and you get a better work out there than you will ever get in gym.”

Nowicke plans on going to Rockfest for the first time this year and said, “I can’t wait to go because I’ve never gone to something like it before.”



Senior Jordan Hansen, studying the graduation invitations.

Photo by Drew Christensen

Preparing for college

DREW CHRISTENSEN

As many high school students come to find out, there is a light to the end of the tunnel. That’s right, an end to the long stressful, drama-filled life: graduation.

If seniors haven’t already started filling out scholarships, applied for college and or filled out the FAFSA, then they’re probably too late. Many students at this time of the year spend hours upon hours filling out scholarships and coming up with different ways to make themselves look better, sound better than the rest of the students filling out the same scholarships. The toughest part about filling out scholarships said Trevor Smith, “is writing and going through the long gruesome essays about what you want to do about with

your life”. But in reality, if one knows what he or she is going to do in life, one needs to consider a backup plan because the chances of getting and achieving exactly what one wants in this world are quite slim.

Another crazy event that seniors have to plan for is graduating! Trying to figure out what food to serve at the party and what shoes to wear at commencement, is all new and can be quite scary for seniors. Carly Johnston’s biggest fear with her graduation party is the whole thing, including the weather, the food, and the décor. It’s all new and very nerve wracking.

As the final days of the school year come to an end here in Audubon, the toughest part is not the grad parties, the scholarships, or even the classes, it’s leaving behind the days and the memories the class of 2015

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has shared, which has molded and shaped their lives. “The memories we’ve shared, the times we’ve had together, they will stay with us always – goodbye is not forever.” - Unknown (AHS 2015 Senior quote)