

OCTOBER 2023 **SPARTAN SPOTLIGHT**













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HOMECOMING WEEK OVERVIEW

By Jacob Corrado ast week, Sep. 25 through 29, was homecoming week. With homecoming week comes a variety of events. Through homecoming week students and staff dress up. Each year has different dress up days, barring Spirit Day on Friday each year. This year's dress-up days were Adam Sandler Day/Disney Character Day, BBQ Dad vs Soccer Mom Day, Dress Like a Staff Member Day, 80's and 90's Day and Spartan Spirit day.

Each year a homecoming king and queen must be chosen from the senior class. The coronation took place on Monday night, Sep. 25 at the football field. During the coronation the band played, the coaches introduced the teams, and Deegan Johnson and Paige Drueke were crowned as this year's homecoming royalty. On Thursday from noon to 3 p.m. the homecoming royalty visited the elementary buildings to get their shirts, designed by Katie Koenig, signed by the elementary students.

The last day of homecoming was by far the busiest. For students, The first four periods were unchanged and after that the students were dismissed to lunch and to prepare for the parade. The parade itself began at 2:30 p.m. and lasted until 3 p.m. followed by the kiss the donkey and pep rally celebration. Kissing the donkey this year was Mr. Quentin Witt for administrators and Cash Sinclair for students. Then at 7 p.m. the Spartans competed against the Niobrara-Verdigre Cougars. Finally, after the game ended, the homecoming dance was held in the Multipurpose room!



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FFA STATE RANGE JUDGING RESULTS

nce a week in September, the FFA chapter went to various places in Nebraska for their Range Judging competition, and they are evaluated based on different areas of range judging. Participants go through nine different stations. identifying plants and ecological sites, and calculating how long livestock can graze in a pasture. At the state competition, Lanie Lechtenberg placed highest in the Boyd County, Senior Division at 77th out of 187 participants, and Mazee Johnson placed 5th out of 216 participants.





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SEPTEMBER VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

By Sabrina Ziebro

uesday, September 26th, Boyd County held a Triangular vs. the Summerland Lady Bobcats and the Niobrara-Verdigre Lady Cougars, beginning at 4pm. The dress up theme for the night was Purple Out in respect to September being National Suicide Awareness Month. The ladies first battled the Lady Bobcats where they fought but unfortunately couldn't finish out their sets with the box scores being S1:15-25 and S2:15-25. The ladies then took a game break and came back refreshed and energized and used this to snatch a win against the Lady Cougars, S1:25-19 and S2:25-13. The girls finished the night feeling proud for keeping their heads up and not letting the first game get them down the remainder of the night. After a reset practice, the Lady Spartans traveled to Burke, SD to take on the South Central Lady Cougars on Thursday, September 28th. The C-team and JV teams both took on a sad loss to the Lady Cougars, but the Varsity then ended up coming out and playing quite competitively with many block/block touches and good coverages. Unfortunately the ladies couldn't make a big enough comeback and were left defeated with box scores being S1:14-25 S2:16-25 and S3:9-25. Thank you to all the fans who have come out and support the Lady Spartans throughout their season!

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HOMECOMING GAME ENDS IN VICTORY

By Jacob Corrado

ast Friday, Sep. 29, our Spartans hosted the Niobrara Cougars for homecoming. The game lasted from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. By the end of the first quarter, the game had already been decided as the Spartans held a 16 point lead over the Cougars who had no points. By half time the score was 28 to 0, and the third quarter ending 54 to 0. The game ended in a win for the Spartans with a final score of 54 to 8. Although all of our players played very well Coach Mike Sanne did point out one player in particular when asked if the game had an MVP. Hudson Hoffman by the end of the game had accumulated 236 rushing yards, 76 yards in kickoff return, 38 yards in interception returns and scored 5 touchdowns. When asked if he thought the Spartans victory over the Cougars came easily Coach Sanne had this to say, "I'll never say any win was easy. We played well."