## **ELKS GAZETTE**



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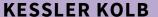
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## MEET YOUR ELKS

#### **KELLY CAMPBELL**



2nd Grade





Kelly Campbell teaches the second-grade class. She has been teaching for thirteen years at Burlington. Mrs. Campbell chose to teach here because it was close to home and she also liked that it was a small school. Some of her hobbies include reading, hunting, fishing, and riding horses. When asked for a fun fact about herself, she said, "I didn't learn how to ride a bike until I was eighteen." Her family members include her husband, Mathew Campbell, and her children, Grayson, Austin, and Katelyn Campbell.

Kessler Kolb is a second-grade student. Her favorite thing about her grade is getting to learn something new. Some of her hobbies include rodeo, reading, and running. When she grows up she would like to be a cowgirl. A fun fact about her is that she has been a rodeo princess. Her family members include her mother, Krystal Kolb; her father, Tyson Kolb; her brothers, Kaxton and Krayce Kolb; and her sister, Kynlee Kolb.



# Junior High

## **MEET YOUR ELKS**

#### **REMINGTON FARNEY**



Remington Farney is an eighth-grade student. Some extracurricular activities she's involved in are FFA, FCA, Band/Choir, and STUCO. A fun fact about her is that she works well with animals. Her favorite subject is Ag. Remington's hobbies include hanging out with friends and family and working with animals. Her family members include her mom, Stacy Farney; her dad, Danny Farney; and her sisters, Kelcie Judd and Kandice Moody.

#### **VICKI HARMON**



High School

#### **EMILY KLIPPENSTEIN**



Vicki Harmon teaches High School math. She attended college at NWOSU. Some of her hobbies are cooking, gardening, shopping, and fishing. A fun fact about herself is that she used to own a business. When she has free time, she likes sleeping and gardening. Her family members include her husband, Dusty, and her sons, Cole, Kaden, and Alexander.



Emily Klippenstein is a junior this year. Her favorite subject is Chemistry, although she likes all subjects. Some extracurricular activities she is involved in are FFA, FCA, vocal/band, and one act. Hobbies that she enjoys include reading, bracelet-making, journaling, and baking. When asked for a fun fact about herself, she said that she has a good sense of humor. Her family members include her mom, Elma Klippenstein; her father, Adolf Klippenstein; her brother, Stanley Klippenstein; and her sister, Nancy Klippenstein.

## ASK A JUNIOR HIGH ELK...

# If you could put anything in your Easter basket, what would you put in it?

Carleigh Hill- A picture of Josh Hutcherson

Maddox Morgan- Parts for a gun and Corbin

Savelina Ofiu- Infinite money

Owen Bellamy- My math papers that I lost, so I can keep track of them

Faith King- Enough money to buy the world and be president

**Remington Farney- Animals** 

**Colton Quick- Newt** 

**Bodie Cass- Money** 

**Lauren Thomason- A Spotify Premium gift card** 

Cort Whitaker- \*bites the clipboard\* (He becomes violent when being asked questions)



Quote from Mr. Spears: "A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step." – Lao Tzu

#### Quote from Mr. Pederson

"I am pleased with the academic progress that we are making in the elementary school. March always seems to fly by in the blink of an eye. I refer to it as the calm before the storm with state testing and end of the year activities just around the corner."

## Ask A 3rd Grade Elk...

#### What is at the end of a rainbow?

"Clear." - Mackenzie McGee

"Nothing." -Connor Dowell

"Gold." - Gretchen Rockenbach

"Nothin" - Emmett Morgan

"Nothin" - Keagan Cass

"Some flowers surrounded by the gold." - Hana Smith

"Gold." - Katelyn Campbell

"Violet." - Benny Bellamy

"Nothin" - Merritt Morgan

"I don't know." - Jase Downing

"A cloud."- Gracie Penner

"Nothing." - Stella German





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## **ASK A HIGH SCHOOL ELK...**

#### What Would You Do With a Pot of Gold?

"Buy a van and live down by the river. I would also buy a cappuccino."

- Paige Stoner

"Keep it to myself." - Brianna McGee

"Give it to Noah Smart so he can put it at the end of the rainbow. - Tamiya

"I'd throw it into a river and let a gold digger find it." - Noah Smart

"Put it in a bank account." -Alfred Obiero

"Invest it." - Colton Hess

"I'd buy a mansion and a lot of Dr. Pepper." - Kaycee Matzke

"I'd buy a bigger mansion than Kaycee and buy a lot more Dr. Pepper than her."- Chloe Jantz

"I'd buy a ranch somewhere in east Texas." - Paiton Stewart

"Buy a castle with a soft bed, a blanket, pillow, and TV." - Sam Smith



BURLING TON



Our mascot, Elkie, has been hard at work helping the Elks Gazette Staff!

While making his rounds, Elkie visits
Burlington classrooms to see what our
student body is up to! Even though he's
the mascot, the Elks Gazette team is
sure to put Elkie to work!

### ASK A HIGH SCHOOL ELK...

#### Who would you put in your Easter basket?

Leah- JJ Maybank

**Chloe- Kaycee** 

Zane- Marilyn Monroe

**Colton- Cash Dotson** 

Mrs. Matzke- My family Ms. Lindley- Baby Yoda

Riley- Lecrae

Paige-Waluigi

Mrs. Newlin-Robin eggs

**Ms. Andrews- George Strait** 

**Brooke- My husband** 

Mrs. Heatherman- I'd stuff my little chunky Larry in there



## **CLUB NEWS**

**FFA** Stock shows are wrapping up this month, but OYE is March 12-22. Speech contests and CDE's will be starting this month. In the greenhouse, plants are blooming.

The Robotics students are training on how to use the CNC router and Laser Engraver tools. They are doing a gaming challenge of who makes the best game on scratch. The Chess Tournament, for all students, will take place during Power Hour.

STUDENT COUNCIL In March, the students set a goal of raising \$1400 to be able to help with a local charity. STUCO set up activities for an entire week before Spring Break to help raise those funds and for the students to have fun. Students were able to pay to wear a hat, watch a movie, eat some Chick-fil-a, play dodgeball, and participate in a rock-paper-scissors tournament. STUCO surpassed their goal and was able to donate \$1,000 to the Burlington Lions Club. It was a great week!

**FCA** The group will possibly have a movie and dinner sometime this month.

**BAND/CHOIR** 

On Tuesday, March 5, Burlington JH and HS Choir students attended OSSAA District Vocal Contest at NWOSU, and here are the results:

Select Treble Ensemble - Superior (I)

Carleigh Hill, Lauren Thomason, Leah Rosenberger, Riley Dowell, Morgan Matzke, Hayle Smith, Marie McGee, Savelina Ofiu, Brianna Cumbie, Remington Farney,

Faith King, and Kaydance McGee

Savelina Ofiu - Superior (I)

Lauren Thomason - Superior (I)

Riley Dowell - Excellent (II)

Sterling Stewart - Excellent (II)

Selection Men's Ensemble - Good (III)

Sterling Stewart, Bodie Cass, Newt Heatherman, Maddox Morgan, and Brantley Penner.

Congratulations to all who participated! #BeYourBest #SingYourBest

#### ASK A 4TH GRADE ELK...

#### What is the Easter bunny's real name?

**Dayton Thomason- Peter Cottontail** 

**Claire Pray- Fuzzy** 

**Blaze Pedersen-Bubba** 

**Cooper Callison- Tanner** 

Jenna Ungles- Mr. Spears

**West Sanger- Milk** 

**Henry German-Timothy** 

Dax Kisling-Ben

**Oktober Obiero- Shawn** 



## **OTHER NEWS**

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

- Becky Carlson and Haven Stoner went to the State Science Fair which was on March 8th and 9th.
- Mrs. Bird distributed the 2022-23 yearbooks to students.
- The track team is preparing for upcoming meets.

#### **JUNIOR HIGH**

• The 7th grade class created synthetic worms in science class. An anonymous seventh grader ate one and informed the Elks Gazette staff that it tasted horrible.

#### **ELEMENTARY**

- The **Three-year-old class** will begin learning about the chicken life cycle. They will incubate chicken eggs and observe the progress in the classroom. Mrs. Thomason
- **Pre-K** March flew by quickly in Pre-K! We read and enjoyed activities based on *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and *The Lion Inside*, made symmetrical giant butterflies, scrape painting lions, twisty, tropical snakes, and koi fish. We continue working on letter sounds, blending CVC words, teen numbers, and measurement. Mrs. Burleson
- Kindergarten has been reading simple on-level books. They are also writing complete sentences. Mrs. Sims
- **First Grade** The year has flown by. The first graders are learning to identify coins and their value, fractions, and measurement in math. In language arts, they are working on prefixes, comparing and contrasting, and verb tenses. They all love science with Mrs. Thomason and look forward to it every day! Mrs. Graham
- Second Grade has been learning about heroes from the past in the United States. Mrs. Campbell
- Third Grade went on a field trip to the Sod House Museum in Aline, OK. Mrs. Hoggard
- **Fourth Grade** finished memorizing the 50 states and capitals. They are all ready for Spring Break. When Spring Break is over they will be ready for track season to start. -Mrs. Newman
- **Fifth Grade** is finishing up our last two chapters in math! We are also excited about our field trip this Friday, March 15 to Exploration Place in Wichita, KS. In fifth grade you get to hide Easter eggs for the younger grades. It is always a fun afternoon! Mrs. Morgan
- **Sixth Grade** has been busy studying convert measurements and angle relationships. In science we have been studying weather and we watched a video on the destructive F5 tornado that destroyed 95% of Greensburg, KS. Also, we are taking a look at the characteristics of the different types of governments from around the world. Mr. Pederson



## ASK A JUNIOR HIGH ELK...

Who is St. Patrick?

Mr. O- The Lucky Charms guy

Morgan Matzke- A green man, probably a leprechaun

**Brantley Penner- Me** 

**Kaydance McGee- Brantley** 

Rylee Sims-\*looks it up\* Bye

**Corbin Fluman- Brantley?** 

**Phog German- The starfish from SpongeBob** 

**Larry Heatherman-Who IS Saint Patrick?** 

Hayle Smith- Does anyone know?

**Wyatt Morgan- A random old guy** 

**Brianna Cumbie-Brantley** 

Newt Heatherman- I don't know—Brantley?

## Stay updated with our social media!!

**BPS FACEBOOK:** 

facebook.com/burlingtonokpublicschool

STUCO INSTAGRAM: @Burlington STUCO

BURLINGTON ROBOTICS FACEBOOK: @Burlington Robotics

Watch for the "Elks Illustrated" section composed by the BHS yearbook students in the *Alva Review Courier* each month!





Jennifer Heatherman is our custodian. She has been working here for five years in June. Her children include sons Newt and Larry Heatherman and daugher Karlie Heatherman. We are lucky to have Mrs. Heatherman as an important Elk.

# BHS ALUMNI BLAST FROM THE PAST

TERRY GRAHAM



**TERRY GRAHAM** graduated from BHS in 1974. He has served on the Burlington Public School Board of Education for approximately 28 years, having been president for many of those years.

Graham received an Ag Econ Accounting degree from OSU in 1978 and received a Masters degree in Ag Education in 1981. During graduate school he fulfilled many duties for the College of Agriculture and taught two Ag Orientation courses for freshmen.

Farming since 15 years of age, Graham shared his knowledge by teaching two years of agriculture for the Covington Douglas school system. He then returned home so that his children could attend school at Burlington. Graham started his accounting practice in 1983.

Graham serves on the OK State School Board Association as director for Region 2. Additionally, he served as Alfalfa County Farm Bureau board treasurer for 36 years and is chairman of District 7 for OK Farm Bureau. He has been president of OK FarmHouse Fraternity for 32 years and is responsible for the current fraternity and sorority newhousing construction.

Graham and spouse Cathy are parents to Kelly and Kara, both Burlington graduates. The entire family graduated from OSU.

## **Spring**

Spring is here, The birds are out. The trees grow leaves, And small seeds sprout.

Flowers bloom,
The grass grows tall.
Animals come and bugs awake,
All the creatures, big and small.

Winter is gone, Until next year. Everything is green, Spring is here.

#### - Poems -

Playing in the water
Looking at the fish
Taking a moment to let it all in
Looking around to see who is with us
Wind blowing your hair in your face
Just smiling straight ahead
Waiting for the next day
-RJD



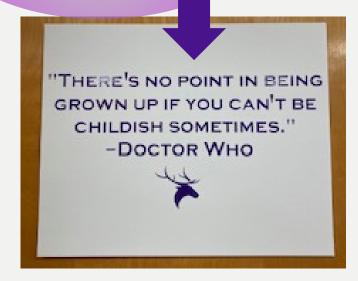
Time is fleeting,
Like a ticking clock,
An inevitable march,
It passes us by,
The years go by so fast,
A precious commodity,
Our time is waning,
Don't let it slip away,

Make the most of every moment, The time will be gone before you know it



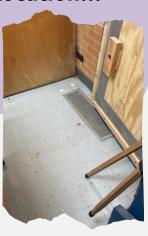
# WHERE IS THIS QUOTE IN BHS?

See our next issue for the answer!



#### Last month's location...

The corner in the science room



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