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Ms. One Thousand

Devin Battelfeld remains a force to be reckoned with on the basketball court

by Kailynn Waugh

It's a story we all know, but it doesn't stop us from loving it: A student who put time and effort into her work reaps the rewards.

Devin Battelfeld, G-P senior, reached the 1000 point club at Rushfield in the Turkey Tournament on November 26. This is a person who puts in lots of hard work and prepares for big games. She takes time after school to practice for the big games.

Battelfeld said reaching the 1000 point mark “was really rewarding for personal reasons.” Battelfeld adds “It came at a crucial time in a close game [which] made it all better.”

The game certainly was tight. “I was shooting the first free throw of a one-on-one,” Battelfeld said. “At the time, I was unaware of needing to make it

for the 1,000 points.”

Battelfeld said she knew it was time for the 1000 when her family began cheering. “The really cool part was somehow I didn't let emotions affect the situation,” Battelfeld said. She is also proud she made the second free throw.

Battelfeld said her coaches and teammates congratulated her after the game but didn't know she hit the 1000 in the moment. “My dad told the coach to get the ball after the game and I think that was the first he knew about it.”

Battelfeld's advice to other basketball players would be “work on the small boring stuff, the fundamentals.”

“Give your everything and never settle; you don't want to look back after it's over and have

regrets,” Battelfeld said.

Now that the milestone is over, Battelfeld has had a chance to reflect. “It was exciting to reach a milestone,” she said. “But it was also a relief.”



Lady Tornadoes Feel the Sting at Hornet Classic

by Ashlyn Crone

While some people were home gorging on turkey and taters, the girls basketball team was battling it out over Thanksgiving break in the Lady Hornet's Classic, also known as the Turkey Tourney, in Mt. Sterling.

The girls played five games, winning their last game against Rushville with the score of 62-55.

During the Rushville game, the girls scored 62 points with Devin Battelfeld scoring 27; Jordan Brite and Lauren Kennedy both scoring 11; Baylee Stain with 7; Kourtney Harris with 4; and Laklyn Westfall scoring 2. Rushville's highest scorer had 20.

The tournament had a few slow moments, with the girls sitting on the sidelines from 10 o'clock to 2 o'clock on Saturday. It picked up, said junior player Kaylie Scoggins, in the game against Liberty, when the team thought they might win.

No player from Griggsville-Perry made the All-Tournament Team. The final game did mark Devin Battelfeld's 1000th point of her high school basketball career.



The Lady Tornadoes record is now 1-7, though many in the team are expecting more victories.

The Struggle Is Real: Tornado Boys Face Losing Streak

by: Ashley Miller/Pike Press

The Griggsville-Perry Tornadoes took the court November 29 where they kicked off their season against the Brown County Hornets and the Western Wildcats.

Tuesday the Tornadoes traveled to Brown County where they lost 66-41.

Jonathon Myers, a senior this year, lead the team with 16 points while going 8 for 8 at the line. Myers was followed by Max Stinebaker

and Sheldon Martin, also seniors, who both had 5 points for the team.

In total the team went 11 for 15.

Head Coach Quincy Landreth is optimistic about this season, hoping to improve in his second year in the position. “As far as prepared, we are preparing to be a good defense team, that's what we work on every single day. That was a weakness last year so we're working to improve that.”

Friday, the Tornadoes hit the road again where they took a 74-64 loss to Western. Ian Smith, a senior, lead the team with 21 points in total while going 8 for 11 at the line.

Stinebaker also came in with 16 points for the team making the two free throws he shot, while Myers came in with 14 points whilst going 7 for 13 at the line.

The Tornadoes came into the second half of the game where they outscored the Wildcats in both quarters but it wasn't enough to compete with the combined scoring of Jacob Goertz and Dalton Malone who had 19 points each.

The Tornadoes missed their chance to win when they lost a 10 point lead on Monday in the Spartan Classic at North Greene against the Brown County Hornets.



KARSON'S QUESTIONS

KARSON DEWITT ASKS IMPORTANT QUESTIONS ABOUT LIFE



Q: Why is it called lipstick, if you can still move your lips?

“It's not that sticky.”

“They should probably change the name to lip move.”

“What is lipstick?”

Jadon Huddleston

Jacob Etherton

Dalton Sheurman



Bailey Scoggins Named November Student of the Month

by Ryan Kelley

The December Student of the Month is junior Bailey Scoggins.

At school, Bailey's favorite subject is yearbook because she likes to design the school newspaper every week. She says it is something fun and different. Bailey's least favorite subject is speech because she doesn't like public speaking.

Scoggins said most people don't know about what she is like at home. "I am the maid at home," Scoggins said.

Kaylie Scoggins, Bailey's twin sister, says Baylie cleans because she wants to lend a hand. "She is always wanting to help mom anyway she can," Kaylie said. Baylie Scoggins describes herself as "a pretty boring person", though most of her friends tend to disagree with that statement.

Bailey Scoggins's friend, junior Ashley McCarter, said Bailey has a caring spirit and told how she once gave a student money for lunch so that person wouldn't go hungry. "She has a helping hand," McCarter said. "She's not one to watch people sit there and suffer."

Maleah Richard, Scoggins's Junior classmate, also has seen Scoggins's fun side. Richard said, "She's fun to be in class with, she is always happy, and she has nice hair." Another junior classmate, Ashlyn Crone, says Bailey is always up for an adventure.

"Bailey is one of those students that appears quiet and shy when you first meet her," said Andrew Crivilare, Scoggins's yearbook advisor. "But as you get to know her, you see there is a lot



she is thinking about and working through."

Ashlyn Crone also says that Bailey will drop anything to help someone, whether they ask or not.

Bailey says her study trick is studying with notecards and flashcards. She says they are easier to memorize. Bailey's advice to students is always be kind to others.

Additional reporting by Andrew Crivilare



If It Happened Here GP Students React to Active Shooting Drill

By Jordan Brite

In any situation, kids should take drills serious. Police officers came to Griggsville-Perry School District on November 23 to help run an active shooter drill so students could learn what to do and where to go during an active shooter. Kids should be informed in these situation, because an active shooter can come in at any time and can be anyone from the building. At Culver-Stockton, on November 29, there was a robbery and one of the culprits had a gun. The college treated it as an active shooter to keep all students safe.

Amanda Goin, teacher, said that her and her students couldn't hear the gunshots, so when they heard the announcements about the location and who the shooter was they got up and left for the firehouse. All of the students in Ag Science were very well behaved during the situation.

Eva Hurst, sophomore, said she was in Mr. Cowell's room when it all happened. They could hear the shots so they went to the side of the room where they couldn't be seen. When hearing the wrong information, they began to freak out and began thinking about the possibility of them being "shot."

Ashlee Jones, sophomore, explained that in Ms. Shoemaker's room they automatically barricaded the door with desks. They stayed quiet when they heard the door moving back and forth by Ms. Mur-

phy and officers.

Deputy Jennifer Thomas from Pike County Sheriff's Department and State Police Troopers Brandon Douglas were the officers that came to the school and talked to everyone at an assembly after the drill. They split the high school students in half: dead or alive. They did this to show kids how easily it could be for someone to get into a small school and hurt a lot of students or faculty.

Some students began crying for the emotional message the deputies wanted them to realize. People risk their lives by talking or not following the rules given out. Deputy Thomas said to everyone at the assembly that she was able to hear people talking inside the rooms.

Everyone's lives are important because they affect each other's in many ways. Losing a friend because someone ruined their chances to survive would be a heavy burden to live with and epically worse for the grieving family at home who lost their kid because of someone else's mistakes.

It can happen at any moment. The best thing for all of the students and staff of Griggsville-Perry is to always be prepared.

Ready, Set, Sing! Students Sing in Choir Once Again

By: Lani Daniels

Mrs. Curry was generous enough to take over the high school choir when the school was cutting the program. This year, the high school choir will be performing in the winter program.

Quinn Phillips, freshman choir member, said "I've always loved music and how could you say no to sweet Mrs. Curry.

Seriously! How!"

When asked what made him join choir this year, Zane Phillips, freshman, feels that the concert "is a purposeful way to get exposure to the arts for many people who don't [have access to the arts]".

The twin Phillips have two different ideas when asked if they think the choir will perform well



at the concert. "I don't know, but I sure hope so", Quinn says. Zane said, "It will be a lucky start, but we will do fine."

The choir invites everyone to come out when they make their debut on December 14 in concert.

Not Your Typical Love Story

The book *Elanor & Park* is big on emotions, low on cliché

by Kaylie Scoggins

Most "love story" books end with the same cheesy ending: the guy gets the girl and they live happily ever after. Typical.

That, however, is not the case with *Eleanor and Park* by Rainbow Rowell. Eleanor has big red curly hair and wears big clothes with weird ties and ribbons, Park is a quiet boy that enjoys 80s music and comics.

Eleanor needs a place to sit on the bus and Park very sternly pulls her down to sit

with him.

That right there sparks this crazy journey. Rainbow Rowell shares the insight of bullying, body shaming, relationships and child abuse all from the eyes of Eleanor and Park.

How much is Eleanor willing to

open up to Park? Can Park handle dating the big haired girl who wears weird clothes?

This first love story indulges you in both of their crazy lives.

Find Elanor & Park in the GP School Library!



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