

# Kunkler in the Ring

Senior works to start career strong in fighting

Strength, determination and strategy. It takes this to be a cage-fighter, and when people do hear these amazing stories it never ceases to amaze us.

It is especially inspirational when a small town girl in Paoli goes for cage-fighting, which is quite a big deal and hard to get into if you do not have connections. Kiona Kunkler fits this description.

It all started with Kunkler's brother who started cage-fighting about three years ago. He has fought in Evansville, Indianapolis, Bedford, Bloomington and Kokomo. She has been on the sidelines watching every one of his fights and plans to fight someday in the same places.

"My brother is the biggest inspiration in my life," said Kunkler.

Kunkler trains at Sam Vernon's Martial Arts and Fitness every Tuesday and Thursday for an hour.

Soon, Saturday will be added to the training days as well.

She does not have one regular trainer, but most the time it is Sam Vernon, the owner. The trainer shows her and others there what to do and what parts of the body it affects.

Despite her training, she has not fought yet because it is a challenge learning and remembering all 16 of the submissions. So far she only remembers six. But she plans to practice every chance she gets in case put in a situation where defense is needed.

For now, Kunkler is just training and cage-fighting

for fun, but she is looking to further her career in that. However with cage-fighting comes some challenges.

She has had three surgeries on her knees caused by dislocations. She now has a screw in one of her knees and the other could dislocate at any second.

"It affects my fighting a lot, but it won't hold me back," she said.

Kunkler's mom is very supportive of her training and going into cage fighting.

"My mom goes to all my brother's fights and will soon be going to mine," she explained.

Also, her dad is supportive as well and friends of her think it is cool but do not want to try it.

So for those who say girls can't fight, "Or you fight like a girl," might be swallowing those words someday.



Kunkler with her trainer Sam Vernon.

By Cassidy Daugherty

Photo by Chelsea Talmage

## MEET: Ashley Forbes

Senior

If I were hanging upside down on a cliff, I would... Panic, fall on my head and die.

Why do Superheroes wear their underwear on the outside of their pants? They are obsessed with their underwear and want everyone to see.

I hold the world's record in... Telling the most lies in one day and everyone believing it.

How many licks does it take to get to the center of a Tootsie Pop? I take one lick and "CRUNCH," it's gone.

I am a professional.. Yoga instructor.

As a child, I... Got dropped on my head.

In the shower I sing... "Barbie Girl" So loud that... Rachel Elizabeth Manship gets jealous and tells me to stick to yoga.

What is the meaning of supercalifragilisticexpialidocious? See who can say this the fastest.



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## Movie Review: Beetlejuice

Every year on October 31, people all across our nation dress up in absurd and random attire asking their neighbors for candy, scaring the life out of friends or just sitting at home taking note of the yearly tradition we call Halloween.

During this time each year, television channels and programs air what some like to call Classic Halloween Movies. Among those is one of my childhood favorites; *Beetlejuice*.

Tim Burton, known for movies such as *The Nightmare Before Christmas* and *The Corpse's Bride*, produced *Beetlejuice* in 1988. Burton is known for his strange creations that have kept people entertained for decades.

*Beetlejuice* is about Adam and Barbara Maitland, a dead couple that inhabits their new home as ghosts after being killed in a car crash. When the Deetzes, a new, loud and obnoxious family move into the house, the Maitlands then realize that they are in fact deceased. Because the Deetzes cannot see the

dead, the Maitlands turn to extra supernatural help to scare away the newcomers.

When they start looking for this help, they encounter a quite scary gentleman by the name of Beetlejuice. Beetlejuice claims to have the ability to scare away the living, but has a lot more on his mind than just helping the couple.

While all of this is happening, the Deetzes' daughter Lydia discovers the dead couple existing in her home. She befriends them and stands up for them when Beetlejuice, along with her parents, start meddling in their lifeless state of existence.

This movie is weird, creepy and just about everything that a Halloween movie should be. I have watched it every year since I can remember and it still has not gotten old. If you are not the scary movie type and you are up for some random entertainment this weekend, this movie is for you. I give it an A.

By Samantha Patton

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Math teacher  
Adam Stroud  
**Monster Squad**

Junior  
Josh Clemons  
**Frankenstein**



Sophomore  
Ron Compton  
**Halloween**

Junior  
Sophia Sears  
**Halloween Town**



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Incredible Hulk, Stretchy Guy	Favorite Toy	Taylor Made Driver
Dukes of Desert	Favorite TV Show	Sportscenter
Aemilio	Best Friend's Name	Jaye
Soccer Coach/Olympics	Plans (For Future)	Don't know yet
Walk This Way	Favorite Song	Walk This Way
Mr. Acknabit, principal, and his Squamata	Favorite Animal	Dolphins
Making bracelets and delivering for family	Favorite Thing To Do	Talking with kids
Chopper, Doberman Pinscher	Name of Pet(s)	Puddin' and Sugar
Fantomas contra los vampiros multinaciondes	Favorite Book	Multinational Enterprise and Economic Analysis
To play with Rosanna after siesta	What Are Your Goals?	Make it through September
Educación de physical	Favorite Subject	Lunch
A las cuatro de la tarde	Best Time For a Nap?	7 a.m.
Anywhere except our vecindade	Favorite Vacation Spot	Cozupel
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By Maryah Hickman

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