

Musicians put skills to the test at solo/ensemble contest

Solo and ensemble contest provides a good opportunity for students to receive feedback on their musical skills, and MV students certainly let their skills shine at contest this past Saturday at Cascade. Students could earn scores from I to V.

Students are judged on criteria such as their tone quality, intonation, rhythm, technique and musicianship.

Mrs. Mueller said she was pleased with the day. She said this contest helps students understand what a fine performance is.

Mr. Ford said preparing for contest allows students to focus on playing as an individual or in a small group. "They're much more 'on the spot' than when they play with a large group."

Band results:

Maddie Lahr, clarinet solo, I
Jaiden Porter, clarinet solo, II
Kailyn Hogan, clarinet solo, II
Amanda Mohr, clarinet solo, I
Brylie Pohlman and Adrienne Freiburger, Flute Duet, II
Madeline Gellersen, Zach Digman, Miguel Bojorquez, Logan Johnson and Lexi Deutmeyer, Sax Quintet, II
Emma Richter, Miguel Bojorquez, Paige Winter and Mianna Gosche, Sax Quarter, I



The freshman mixed group of Noah DeVore, Devin Smith, Jackson Hunter, Matthew Brehm, Domarius Strickland, AJ Ambundo, Carissa Sabers, Molly Anderegg, Kylie Chesnut, Emma Doyl, Liz McDowell and Mianna Gosche performs.

Madeline Gellersen, alto sax solo, I
Emma Doyl and Amanda Mohr, bass clarinet/clarinet duet, II
Maddie Lahr, Jaiden Porter, Kailyn Hogan and Tawny Mallard, Clarinet Quartet, I
Jaiden Porter and Kailyn Hogan, clarinet duet, I
Allie Dunn and Kristin Lucas, flute duet, II
Emma Richter, bari sax solo, I
Brass Choir, I
Noah DeVore, Alex Digman, Michael Van Meter, trombone trio, II
Kristin Lucas and Kelly Winter, flute/trombone duet, II

Kelly Winter, trombone solo, II
Tawny Mallard, piano solo, Comments Only

Choir results:

Emma Doyl, solo, III
Andrew Kloser, solo, I
Tony Offerman, solo, II
Brock Trenkamp, solo, I
Treble Clef Small Choir, III
Mixed Small Choir, I
Bass Clef Small Choir, II
Mitch Heims, solo, II
Carlie Lewin, solo, II
Brian Heims, solo I
Paige Panosh, solo, I
Rose Havens, solo, II
Nicholas Chen, solo, I
Mianna Gosche, solo, II
"I Have a Dream," mixed small choir, I
"Come Sing Me to Heaven, quartet, Mitch Heims, Jackson Hunter, Brian Heims, Tony Offerman, I
"Jordan's Angels," treble clef ensemble, II
"She Walks in Beauty," bass clef ensemble, I
"Chickens in the Garden"/"Come Travel," 9th grade bass clef ensemble, II
"All the Pretty Little Homes," treble clef ensemble, II

The next contest for the students will be large group contest in early May.

TEL students host escape rooms for middle school students

Last Friday TEL students helped middle school students learn about the harms of substance abuse by leading them through two different escape rooms set up in the locker rooms. Left: Lydia Helle and Taya Tucker explain the scenario to a group of middle school students.



Sports Connection

Girls track team starts off outdoor season

The MV girls track team is making its mark on the outdoor season as it has recently competed in two meets.

Last week the Wildcats competed at the West Delaware Early Bird meet. The team finished in second place with 95 points. Lansing Kee won the meet with 99 points.

Points were earned by the following:

100M Dash: Sam Wall, first, 13.43
100M Hurdles: Leah Ries, second, 16.98
1500M Run: Emma Doyl, third, 16:02.02;
Kylie Chesnut, fifth, 6:38.81
3000M Run: Jaiden Porter, seventh, 14:18.25
400M Hurdles: Payton Beaman, second, 1:19.86
Discus: Lydia Helle, second, 99-02
Shot put: Lydia Helle, second, 37-02.5
4x100 relay: fourth, 55.49
4x200 relay: first, 1:55.60
4x400 relay: second, 4:29.88
4x800 relay: fifth, 12:26.49
Shuttle hurdle relay: third, 1:15.35
Sprint medley: fourth, 2:08.29
Distance medley: first, 4:54.93

This past Tuesday the team ran at Jesup and also finished second. They earned 114 points, just one point behind South Winneshiek.

Point earners include:

100M Dash: Sam Wall, first, 13.10
200M Dash: Sam Wall, first, 28.21
400M Dash: Allie Knipper, third, 1:12.12
800M Run: Kylie Chesnut, second,



Payton Beaman makes it over a hurdle during the 400M run at West Delaware.

2:50.89; Kriya Atwell, fifth, 3:08.28
100M Hurdles: Leah Ries, third, 17.94
1500M Run: Jaiden Porter, fourth, 6:34.25
3000M Run: Carissa Sabers, fourth, 15:19.73
400M Hurdles: Payton Beaman, fifth, 1:22.50
Discus: Lydia Helle, third, 94-03
Shot put: Lydia Helle, third, 34-02
4x100 relay: fifth, 56.31 (Ella Imler, Maddy Anderegg, Kailyn Hogan, Amaya Hunt)
4x200 relay: third, 2:00.26 (Payton Beaman, Kailyn Hogan, Ella Imler, Amaya Hunt)
4x400 relay: first, 4:49.18 (Allie Knipper, Emerson Whittenbaugh, Amaya Hunt, Sam Wall)
4x800 relay: second, 11:42.13 (Kriya Atwell, Emma Doyl, Jaiden Porter, Kylie Chesnut)
Shuttle hurdle relay: third, 1:17.68 (Leah Ries, Kailyn Hogan, Caelyn Sands, Payton Beaman)
Sprint medley: first, 2:03.99 (Maddy Anderegg, Ella Imler, Sam Wall, Emerson



Allie Knipper receives the handoff from Emerson Whittenbaugh at the West Delaware Early Bird meet. (photos by Lesa Parmely)

Whittenbaugh)
Distance medley: fourth, 5:39.68 (Emma Richter, Kennedy Ott, Jordan Hogan, Mackenzie Hoeger)

MV golfers take medalist honors

by Kelly Winter

The golf season has officially started! Our boys and girls varsity teams competed at their first meet Monday night against Springville at Meadowview Golf Course. It was a pretty cold and windy night. The boys lost, and there was no team score for the girls because of lack of numbers for Springville.

"Overall I was satisfied with our results for both the boys and girls for our first meet of the season," stated Coach Andrews. "It definitely felt good to get the first meet under our belt and to have a better understanding of the specific skills each of our golfers need to improve upon in a competition."

A highlight of the night was Isaac Zirtman earning medalist honors and Kelly Winter

being runner-up medalist.

The results are listed below:

Boys:
MV - 254
Springville - 236

Isaac Zirtzman - 45 (Medalist)
Tony Offerman - 72
Garrett Lahr - 61
Morgan Hermanson - 76

Girls:
Kelly Winter - 52 (Runner-up Medalist)
Mady Moenck - 52
Chloe Roling - 54
Erika Supple - 55
Kelsey Ries - 74

The Wildcats golfed last night. Results will be in next week's issue.

Boys track team takes fifth at tough Anamosa meet

by **Chance Downs**

This past Tuesday the Maquoketa Valley Boys Track Team traveled to Anamosa to compete in the Fearing Relays. This meet boasted some of the best 1A and 2A competition in Eastern Iowa. Out of a total of 18 teams, the Wildcats finished 5th with 64 points.

Starting the meet off for the Wildcats was AJ Ambundo in the long jump. AJ jumped 16-06.75 good enough for 15th place.

In the shot put, Maquoketa Valley was well represent with Brian Heims (43-11.00) and Michael Feldmann (43-10.50) placing 6th and seventh, respectively. Alex Digman (38-07.00) and Devin Smith (27-06.50) presented good throws placing them 14th and 44th.

In the discus, Blake Becker and Brian Heims also had good throws with Becker placing 7th and Heims placing 9th. Underclassmen Andrew Hildebrand also placed 13th with a throw of 113-05.25 while Brock Trenkamp 83-06 for 33rd.

Starting of the running events was the 800 meter medley of Devante Strickland, Tim Harmon, Andrew Kloser, and Matthew Hucker. The medley finished 15th with a time of 1:49.51.

In the 3200 meter run, Tate Trenkamp and Cy Huber competed for im-

provement. Cy finished 8th with a time of 11:42.22 and Tate finished 13th with a time of 12:23.14. Up next, two teams of the 4x800 took to the track. The varsity team of Mason Lubben, Michael Schaul, Preston Roling, and Nolan Ries placed 12th with a time of 9:38.77 and the JV team of Brock Trenkamp, Landon Deutmeyer, Mitch Heims, and Canyon Richardson placed 14th with a time of 10:09.55.

The shuttle hurdle relay of Derek Becker, James LeGassick, Teige Hunt, and Chad Neuzil were crowned champions with a time of 1:03.73.

In the 100 meter dash senior Daniel Hunter placed 6th with a time of 12.35. Owen Mensen also ran the 100 meter dash with a time of 12.74 and a finish of 14th.

In the 1600m distance medley, the Wildcats were crowned champions once again as the team of Daniel Hunter, James LeGassick, Derek Becker, and Chance Downs ran a final time of 3:46.25.

In the 400 meter dash sophomore Andrew Kloser and senior Jon Seibert put up solid times as Kloser placed 5th at 56.62 and Seibert placed 8th at 58.56.

The varsity 4x200 relay of Zach Digman, Evan Hoefer, AJ Ambundo, and Owen Mensen placed 9th with a time of 1:39.75. A JV 4x200 also ran, including Matthew Hucker, Preston Roling, Landen

Deutmeyer, and Devante Strickland. The JV 4x200 placed 18th with a time of 1:45.17.

In the 110 high hurdles, Chad Neuzil placed 3rd with a time of 16.39. Teige Hunt (18.14), Tim Harmon (20.17), and Brock Trenkamp (22.05) also ran the 110 high hurdles placing 8th, 18th, and 22nd.

The 200 meter dash was represented by freshman AJ Ambundo and senior Jon Seibert. AJ placed 7th with a time of 25.17 and Jon placed 22nd with a 27.00.

In the 400 meter hurdles Tim Harmon was the sole representative and finished 18th with a time of 1:07.48.

In the 1600 meter run Nolan Ries (5:18.79) and Michael Schaul (5:19.74) finished 13th and 15th, respectfully.

The 4x100 meter relay of Daniel Hunter, Evan Hoefer, Chad Neuzil, and Owen Mensen finished runner-up at the Fearing Relays with a time of 45.80.

Finally, rounding out the night for the Wildcats was the 4x400 relay of Derek Becker, Evan Hoefer, James LeGassick, and Chance Downs. The Wildcats finished their night with an impressive time of 3:30.86.

Last night the boys competed in Independence. Results will be in next week's issue.

Highway 20 fun night held



Area students gathered at West Delaware Saturday night for games, cards and dancing. MV FFA members Mason Kruse and Lane Domeyer were some MV participants.

Comedy Corner —compiled by Lydia Helle

What kind of bear has no teeth?...A gummy bear

What country did candy come from?...Sweeten

What do you call a lamb covered in chocolate?...A candy baa

What do you call a dog standing on a Mars bar?...Rover

What kind of candy is never on time?...chocoLATE

Athletes of the Week

Name: Derek Becker
Sport: Track

What do you enjoy most about track? I like the bonding time with the team and how competitive it is.

What do you think your best event will be?

Anything with hurdles or a 400.

What life lessons have you learned through track? Don't compare yourself to someone else, learn from them and make yourself better.

What's the hardest part of practice?
Workouts vary

Who is your track role model?
Carl Lewis and Kyle Wilson

Name: Isaac Zirtzman
Sport: Golf

What is your favorite part of playing golf?
Hitting my driver 300 yards.

What's the most frustrating part of the sport?

The most frustrating part is when you have a bad hole and get a double bogey or higher. It's gets in your head and you have to wipe it clean and start fresh on the next hole.

How long have you played?
Ever since I was born 16 years.

Who's your golf role model?
Jordan Speith, because I met him and got to hit golfballs on the driving range with him.



Hall Smarts

by Lydia Helle

What day seems to combine religion, eggs, and bunnies and is coming up soon? The answer is Easter. Easter is fast approaching and along with it is the famous Easter candy. This week, I asked Brooke Wilson, Liz McDowell and Kylie Chesnut if they could guess what candies matched to these slogans.

Makes mouths happy.

Brooke: Nerds

Liz: Laffy Taffy

Kylie: Reeses

Answer: Twizzlers

Melts in your mouth, not in your hands.

Brooke: M&Ms

Liz: Skittles

Kylie: Skittles

Answer: M&Ms

How many licks does it take to get to the center of a _____?

Brooke: Tootsie Pop

Liz: Tootsie Pop

Kylie: Tootsie Pop

Answer: Tootsie Pop

Get the sensation.

Brooke: Milky Way

Liz: Pop Rocks

Kylie: Starburst

Answer: York's Peppermint Patties

Well, it seems these three need some candy-cation (bad pun...sorry). That's all for this week--"catch you on the flip side"!

Brain Teaser

by Mason Lubben

What tire doesn't move when a car turns right?

Answer: The spare tire!



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of April 8, 2019

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019

1. HS TAG Students to Loras College Preview Day (Van Leaves at 7:45 AM)
2. HS V G & B Golf vs. Central City at Meadow View Golf Course - 4:00 PM (2 Vans Leave at 2:35 PM)

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019

1. All Freshman Tour of NICC in Peosta (Bus Leaves at 8:20 AM)
2. Sexual Assault Presentation for Grades 9-12 - Auditorium - 2:30 PM until 3:20 PM
3. HS JV/V G & B Golf at Hartridge in Manchester vs. East Buchanan - 4:00 PM (Van Leave at 2:35 PM)
4. HS Boys' Track to J-Hawk Invitational in Jesup - 4:30 PM (Bus Leaves at 2:45 PM)
5. HS Girls' Track to Raider Relays in Anamosa - 4:30 PM (Bus at 2:45 PM)

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2019

1. HS TAG to "Women in Science & Engineering" Day - ISU in Ames (Van Leaves @ 6:00 AM)
2. NICC 2019-20 Registration - HS Cafeteria - 12:35 PM until 1:20 PM
3. HS Spanish Club Mexico Trip Meeting - Mrs. Ries' Room # 206 - 7:45 AM
4. MV CTE Advisory Committee Meeting - Luncheon in FCS Room # 109 - 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM
5. HS JV/V G & B Golf vs. Alburnett at Hartridge Golf Course, Manchester - 4 PM (Van Leaves at 2:54 PM)
6. HS Girls' Track to MFL/MarMac in Monona - 4:30 PM (Bus at 2:30 PM)
7. HS Boys Track Meet at West Delaware Invitational in Manchester - 4:45 PM (Bus Leaves 3:30 PM)

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2019

1. HS Students to Try Rivers Conference Art Fair in Springville - 8:00 AM (Bus Leaves at 7:15 AM)
2. HS JV/V G & B Golf vs. Ed/Co - G @ Lone Pine / B @ Woods Edge - 4 PM (2 Vans Leave at 2:35 PM)

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2019

1. A.C.T. Given at M.V. - MS Multipurpose Room & MS Commons - 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019

1. FFA to State Leadership Convention at ISU in Ames (2 Vans Leave at 4:00 PM - gone Sun., Mon., Tues.)

Brooke Wilson



Activities involved in during high school: basketball, volleyball, track, large group & individual speech, FFA, TEL, National Honor Society, Spanish Club, FCA, and Student Council.

Which activity affected you the most? How? Sports affected me the most because I learned so many valuable life lessons. I also made so many friends throughout the years and our memories together are what I'll cherish the most.

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? When we won conference champions in 7th grade track.

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Don't be afraid of change. You'll make friends and you'll lose friends. Don't be afraid of this.

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? I appreciate how small Maquoketa Valley is and how the teachers truly care about the students here.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? I know this isn't school related, but I would go back to the night I was crowned the Delaware County Fair Queen just because that night was so fun, and my friends were all there to support me.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? I don't have one. They're all great and have helped me in different ways.

What does your future (college and career) look like? In the fall, I plan on attending the University of Iowa to study Radiation Sciences.

What is your dream job? My dream job is to be a Orthopedic Surgeon.

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? The hardest thing was going from playing with my teammates to watching them play without me and adjusting to my new role on the sideline.

What one event has most impacted your life so far? The night I tore my ACL changed everything.

Rose Havens



Activities involved in during high school: Vocal Jazz, Choir, Musicals, FFA

Which activity affected you the most? How? Vocal Jazz affected me the most because it made me be more confident on stage and in the things I was doing.

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? Having ketchup shoot out of the bottle in elementary.

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Go out for extra curricular events even if you don't know if you will like it just try them.

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? How the teachers will help you and the atmosphere in the building and community.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? I would relive the vocal jazz moments because they are fun and you get to hang out with your friends and both groups.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? Mrs. Mueller because she has made me be more confident in myself.

If you wanted people to remember you by a song, which one would it be? "Hunting, Fishin and Lovin Every day" by Luke Bryan

What does your future (college and career) look like? I plan on going to Montana State University in the spring.

What is your dream job? Farrier (Horseshoer)

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? The hardest thing that I have ever had to do is give speeches.

What event from high school do you hope your classmates still talk about at your five-year class reunion? All of the games and meets that people went to

Brian Heims



Activities involved in during high school: Football, Basketball, Track and Field, Fall Musical, Spring Play, Large Group Speech, Band, Choir, National Honor Society, and 4-H.

Which activity affected you the most? How? All of them are special in their own way, but what they all have combined is you receive by whatever you put into it. It is the time and effort that you put in that will make you that much better and that is how you get better at anything.

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? My favorite memory was missing the last two weeks of 7th grade year because of appendicitis and having to get my appendix removed.

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Try out everything you possibly can or make an effort to. You will not regret it.

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? The teachers here are willing to bend over backwards to help you out with anything.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? Making the only two points on free-throws against North Linn at home freshman year because of the feeling knowing that your team can trust you to make points even if you are losing by a lot.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? Mrs. Temple. She always finds the best out of you and wants you to do your best. She has a positive attitude and helping hand whenever you need it.

If you wanted people to remember you by a song, which one would it be? "My List" by Toby Keith

What does your future (college and career) look like? Taking over the family farm after my dad

and be the fourth generation on the homestead.

What is your dream job? To farm and be a hoof trimmer

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? Take care of the farm when my parents went to watch Eric at state wrestling. Mitch and I had problems that we had to solve on our own and knowing that our parents trusted us enough to handle the farm

What one event has most impacted your life so far? Applying for a job away from the farm. It makes me learn the skills I will need in the future with communication and helping me with learning how to manage my time better.

What event from high school do you hope your classmates still talk about at your five-year class reunion? I really don't know what people will talk about. I really will not care either because we all will have something to talk about somebody in the future anyway. So why would we bring up the past if it doesn't need to be brought up again?

Megan Rausch



Activities involved in during high school: Volleyball, dance, track, softball, musical, large group speech, TEL

Which activity affected you the most? How? Dance has affected me the most because I have gone out for it all four years of high school. My coaches and teammates have taught me a lot and it helped me get out of my comfort zone.

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? Winning conference champs in 7th grade for track or Mr. Cassutt's lesson on Australia.

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Be organized. Get a planner or make lists of what you have to get done for the week to help you stay on track with everything.

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? I appreciate how close everyone is and how we can go to any teacher or faculty member for anything we need.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? Madison McIntyre falling off my golf cart.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? Mrs. DeVore inspires me the most because she is so dedicated to everything she does. Even though I haven't had her in a while, she has still been one of my favorite teachers and continues to work hard.

If you wanted people to remember you by a song, which one would it be? "SICKO MODE" by Travis Scott

What does your future (college and career) look like? I am going to UNI and plan on majoring in their digital media marketing program as well as minoring in business.

What is your dream job? To market for a big company like Google or Amazon.

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? I had to run the mile in track freshman year.

What one event has most impacted your life so far? Moving back to Iowa or going out for all of the activities I did freshman year.

What event from high school do you hope your classmates still talk about at your five-year class reunion? Any dance memory like state dance, prom, or homecoming.

Olivia Hoeger



Activities involved in during high school: Volleyball: all 4 years; Basketball: freshman & sophomore year; Track: freshman & sophomore year; Softball: all 4 years

Which activity affected you the most? How? Definitely basketball because I learned how to work with a team and what a family means.

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? Recess, why don't we have that in high school?!

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Enjoy high school while it lasts and don't let others opinions of you change who you are. Have as much fun as possible because it doesn't last that long. Don't take these years for granted and never wish them away because before you know it you will ask yourself "Where did the time go?"

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? I appreciate the teachers and their willingness to help students.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? Going to State for track my freshman year. One of my favorite moments in high school.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? Mrs. Temple because she not only taught me a lot of valuable skills, but I also love her organizational skills and love how each class is planned out and not just thrown together.

If you wanted people to remember you by a song, which one would it be? "How to Save a Life" by Fray. I just hope my friends will remember the song and all the great memories it brought when we were together.

What does your future (college and career) look like? I plan to go to the University of Iowa to

major in nutrition.

What is your dream job? My dream job would be working in the hospital as a dietitian and a personal trainer.

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? The hardest thing I've had to do was watch my sisters and my best friend walk on the stage without me. It was hard watching them graduate and I was afraid I was going to be alone in high school. I think about all the memories my sisters and I made, and it is sad to see things change so suddenly.

What one event has most impacted your life so far? Getting a job because it taught me the importance of working hard. It also taught me the importance of money and saving for the future.

What event from high school do you hope your classmates still talk about at your five-year class reunion? All the roadtrips my friends and I had together. Oh, and the fourth of July at the pond.

Maddie Lahr



Activities involved in during high school: Band, FFA, Softball, Volleyball, Cross Country, Contest Speech - Large Group and Individual, Varsity Boys Basketball Manager, Wildcat Echo, TEL, TSN, Golf, Spring Play, Fall Musical, National Honor Society

Which activity affected you the most? How? I would definitely say that basketball has changed my life the most, I would not be friends with the people that I am if it wasn't for managing my freshman year of high school

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? Building a snow fort at Earlville that only the 4th graders and a few 3rd graders were allowed in and then Mrs. Glanz turned it into a dragon.

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Respect your upperclassmen. Seniority is still a thing. Please remember that because once you become a junior or senior you are going to want that respect from those underclassmen as well.

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? Everyone knows everyone by name and we have small graduating classes.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? Senior Night for band because I was unaware that my best friend was coming home from college and she surprised me and I started crying, so now no one lets me forget that I cried at senior night, and so I would just like to go back to it and like not cry this time.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? Mr. Dunlap because he really helped me break out of my shell freshman year during basketball.

If you wanted people to remember you by a song, which one would it be? "I'll Make a Man Out

of You," from Mulan, because that is my favorite Disney song and Hannah Clemen and I jammed out to that song throughout the school all the time.

What does your future (college and career) look like? I am attending Iowa State University this fall to study animal sciences for two years, then transferring to their college of veterinary medicine to become a veterinarian

What is your dream job? I just want to be a veterinarian, I have wanted to help animals my whole life and that is the way that I want to do it.

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? The hardest thing that I have ever had to do is let go of my two best friends only a little over a month apart. My dog Zeus passed away on November 29th after getting so sick to the point where he couldn't walk, and then on New Year's Eve my family decided that it was time to put down our other dog Sandy because she was very sick due to cancer and we decided that it was time to end her suffering.

What one event has most impacted your life so far? Probably losing Zeus had impacted me the most. It definitely wasn't in a good way but it has changed me a lot.

What event from high school do you hope your classmates still talk about at your five-year class reunion? Maybe just the funny memories that we all made together in speech and drama.

Tyler Wallace



Activities involved in during high school: cross country and track

Which activity affected you the most? How? Cross country. It showed me how to work as a team. No one gives up on you.

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? Going to water parks

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Don't give up on yourself. Keep pushing yourself until the end. Trust me.

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? Everyone around you supported you.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? My cross country season because it was a fun season.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? Mr. Meehan. He always pushed me to do better. He was always there and supported me.

What does your future (college and career) look like? I plan to work at Paladin. I may also enlist. I may also go to college to get my culinary arts degree.

What is your dream job? A professional chef

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? Graduate early.

What one event has most impacted your life so far? Moving to Maquoketa Valley

What event from high school do you hope your classmates still talk about at your five-year class reunion? Sports seasons

Jasmine Rossi



Activities involved in during high school: Before I came to Maquoketa Valley I was involved in Cross Country and Track.

Which activity affected you the most? How? Cross Country because it takes a lot of dedication to get to where you want to be.

What is a favorite elementary/middle school memory? Although I wasn't at Maquoketa Valley for elementary/middle school my favorite would probably be the Adventureland trip I went on at the end of my eighth grade year.

If you could give advice to a freshman, what would it be? Take all the hard classes that you can first so that you can enjoy senior year.

What do you appreciate most about Maquoketa Valley? The staff because they are always willing to work to make sure you don't fail. I also enjoy not having block scheduling.

If you could relive any moment in high school what would it be and why? Probably environmental science and geology because last year's class was full of jokes and pranks and it was great to always have a good laugh and for us to even get Mrs. Besler to laugh.

Who is your most inspirational teacher? Why? I have a few and they are Mrs. Palmer, Mr. Dunlap, Mrs. Besler, and even though she isn't a teacher Mrs. McDermott.

Mrs. Palmer because she always has a smile on her face no matter what type of day it is and we can share stories back and forth and usually get a good laugh out of it.

Mr. Dunlap because he always like to mess around and believed in me when I thought I was going to do horrible in his class (by the way I passed with an A)

Mrs. Besler because science is not my best subject but she has helped me get through it and I'm thankful for that I also know that I go to her and talk about anything and she will offer me ideas on how to fix my problem.

Mrs. McDermott because no matter what situation I get myself into she is always there to help and she believes in me when I don't believe in myself. She is also always so happy and fun to just talk about and I feel we can connect a lot.

If you wanted people to remember you by a song, which one would it be? "Simple" by Florida Georgia Line

What does your future (college and career) look like? I plan on going to Kirkwood starting in August and then transferring to University of Northern Iowa for elementary teaching and later going back for a degree in business management so that I can open my own business in Real Estate.

What is your dream job? Teaching little kids I've wanted this job since I was in preschool

What's the hardest thing you've ever had to do? Try to pass physical science because I didn't understand a single thing I was doing especially in stoichiometry.

What one event has most impacted your life so far? Probably losing my grandma my freshman year because me and her were extremely close and I don't remember a day that I wasn't with her.

What event from high school do you hope your classmates still talk about at your five-year class reunion? Me always being there for everyone