

## Musicians compete at solo & ensemble contest

On Saturday, April 1st, the band and choir traveled to Cascade for Solo and Ensemble Contest. Both the band and choir did very well overall.

Those who received a one rating for a vocal performance were Lawson Roof (solo), Kiesha Stelken (solo), Megan Beaman (solo), "Stone Circle," Girls Chamber Choir, Madalynne Naab (solo), and "Love is Love." There were also twelve vocal two ratings and six vocal three ratings.

Instrumental one ratings were awarded to Colin Wendt (piano solo and percussion solo), Kailyn Hogan and Jaiden Porter (clarinet duet), Gabriela Guetzko, Lexi Deutmeyer, Jordyn Kemp and Hunter Glass (saxophone quartet), Brian Heims (percussion solo), Kelly Winter (trombone solo) and Nichole Winter (flute solo). There were three instrumental two ratings and three instrumental three ratings.

## Students participate in clean-up event



Students gave back to the district last Friday by cleaning up some of nature's winter litter. Above: Cloie Wilson, Kaylynn Smith, Megan Beaman, Abe Miles, Ryan Dunn and Lydia Helle pose with Sue Guthrie after cleaning up the cemetery in Hopkinton.

## Schedule change in plan for next year *Quinceañera fun*

by Mason Lubben

Hey there Wildcats! Next year a lot of changes will be coming to our school. As we all know, the renovation process has started, but that's not all.

Next year, the school schedule will be completely different. Starting it off, school will begin at 8:03 and will end at 3:20. Although this may be scary, there is good reasoning behind it. According to Pam, "There has been talk of a longer school day for a few years now...Teachers are going to be scheduled to a longer contracted day."

That's not all our new and improved school is changing. WIN time will now be moved to the end of the day. WIN will start at 2:57 and end at 3:20. Pam stated, "WIN time at the end of the day fits the schedule the best. Also, it will make it easier for athletes who have to be dismissed early for sporting events"

Continuing with the new schedule changes, instead of going periods 1

through 4 before lunch, we will go periods 1 through 5. Because of this, lunch will be from 12 to 12:30. "The schedule works best this way. It also gives the cooks fifteen minutes in between junior high and high school lunches to prepare," said Pam.

So there you have it, there are a lot of new and exciting changes coming to our school next year. Hopefully all will go smoothly and Maquoketa Valley will be better than ever. Have a good weekend, Wildcats!



The Spanish I classes held their annual Quinceañera celebration last Thursday. Left: The second hour key players were Jaiden Porter, Emma Hill, Cloie Wilson, Matt Hucker and Mason Lubben. Above: The seventh hour leads were Derek Becker, Morgan Hermanson, Alex McCusker, Emma Jones, Emmy Prindle and Holly Offerman.

## Golf: Hunt medalist

by Kelly Winter

The golf teams have finally had a chance to get onto the course, and they have had some meets recently.

Both the JV, Varsity Girls and JV, Varsity Boys competed at a meet March 31 at their home course in Manchester. The Varsity Girls had a total score of 218. Central City didn't qualify for a team score. The Varsity Boys didn't qualify for a team score either. Faith Hunt got first with a score of 51. Following are the individual scores.

### Varsity Boys

Jon Seibert - 56  
Austin Snyder - 58  
Derek Mensen - 71

### JV Boys

Matthew Hucker - 78  
Morgan Hermanson - 78

### Varsity Girls

Faith Hunt - 51  
Kelly Winter - 57  
Kelsey Ries - 64  
Maddie Lahr - 54  
Madison McIntyre - 56

### JV Girls

Katie Snyder - 73  
Ci' Ann Richardson - 84

Coach Andrews stated, "Overall I was very impressed with how everyone competed. We have a lot of new golfers this year and I am encouraged that with more practice and experience our scores will continue to get better."

On April 4, the golf team competed against East Buchanan at Buffalo Creek Golf Course in Winthrop. Once again, the boys did not qualify for a team score. The girls team came up short against East Buchanan by the following team score: MV-233 EB- 213. Kelly Winter was runner-up medalist with a 53.

"Overall I was happy with how we performed and look forward to seeing our scores go down with more practice and better weather," stated Coach Andrews.

### Varsity Boys

Jon Seibert - 54  
Austin Snyder - 64  
Derek Mensen - 79

### Varsity Girls

Faith Hunt - 57  
Kelly Winter - 53  
Kelsey Ries - 66  
Maddie Lahr - 65  
Madison McIntyre - 64  
Megan McNamara - 59

## Girls track finishes second at Jesup



Ali Sheehy competes in the discus at the Jesup meet. (photo courtesy of MV Athletic Boosters)

by McKenzie Lansing

The girls competed at Jesup on Tuesday for the Lady J- Hawk meet. As a team, the girls placed 2nd with a total of 111 points.

In the field events, starting with discus, Alison Sheehy thres 113' 08" placing 3rd, gaining 6 points. Lydia Helle threw 87' 08" placing 8th, gaining 1 point. In shot put, Lydia Helle threw 30' 05" placing 5th, gaining 2 points. In the Long Jump, Madison Imler jumped 13' 01" placing 6th, gaining 1 point.

In the running events, starting with the 200m dash, Brianna Mensen ran a 28.15, placing 2nd and gaining 8 team points. In the 400m dash, Rejji Smith ran a 1:11.27, pacing 1st and gaining 10 points. Olivia Hoeger also ran in the 400m dash. She ran a 1:15.22, placing 5th and gaining 2 points. In the 800m run, Cassidy Wilson ran a 2:43.13, placing 3rd and gaining 6 points. Casey Fry ran a 2:51.15, placing 6th and gaining 1 point. In the 1500m run, Nichole Winter ran a 6:08.91, placing 5th and gaining 2 points. In the 100m hurdles, Angela Wendt ran an 18.33, placing 1st and gaining 10 points. In the 400m hurdles, Kara Orcutt ran a 1:10.65 placing 1st and gaining 10 points.

In the relay events, starting with the 4x100m relay Madison Imler, Aspen Britt, Danica Fjestul, and Ashley Stogdill. They ran a 55.55, placing 5th and gaining 2 points. In the 4x200m relay, Ashley Stogdill, Madison Imler, Aspen Britt, and Brianna Mensen ran a 1:55.48, placing 4th and gaining 4 team points. In the 4x400m relay,

Kara Orcutt, Brianna Mensen, Ashley Stogdill, and Aspen Britt ran a 4:24.69, placing 1st and gaining 10 points. In the 4x800m relay Rejji Smith, Casey Fry, Nichole Winter, and Brianna Mensen ran an 11:22.49, placing 2nd and gaining 8 points. In the Sprint Medley Relay, Ashley Stogdill, Danica Fjestul, Brooke Wilson, and Aspen Britt ran a 2:00.56, placing 1st and gaining 10 points. In the Distance Medley Relay, Madison Imler, Maddy Anderegg, Brooke Wilson and Cassidy Wilson ran a 5:00.77, placing 2nd and gaining 8 team points. In the Shuttle Hurdle Relay, Katilyn Deutmeyer, Angela Wendt, Cassidy Wilson, and Kara Orcutt ran a 1:13.99, placing 1st and gaining 10 points.

Next Tuesday, the girls will compete at Anamosa.

## DFS fundraiser



MV's Dollars for Scholars chapter hosted a dueling pianos night Saturday night at Pin Oak to raise scholarship funds. Above: Mr. Hadley accompanies Jillian Thompson and Lawson Roof. Alissa Unertl, former MV teacher, also played.



## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

*Kelly Winter, Chloe Roling & Kristin Lucas*

**Nurse Mary has commended your efforts and dedication to TEL. Why did you choose to be part of this organization?**

Kelly: I wanted to be more involved. I also wanted to be a role model for the younger students here at school, and be able to teach them about alcohol and drugs, and why they're harmful.

Chloe: I wanted to be apart of something that was bigger than myself. No matter how big or small I wanted to make a difference and take part in a good opportunity.

Kristin: My sister was the one who originally got me started in TEL, but after a few meetings I really began to enjoy it for myself. It's so educational and beneficial and there's always lots of ways to participate. I went to training at Ewalu so I could also be a part of TSN, Teens Say No, and help educate the sixth graders about tobacco and its negative effects.

**What is the most valuable TEL activity you've been a part of? What made it valuable?**

Kelly: TSN, teaching the 6th graders. It was a great experience for me, learning different ways to teach younger students and how they learn and listen best. I feel like they enjoyed it and learned a lot from all of the TSN people coming down.

Chloe: Day on the Hill was the most valuable and fun. Going to Des Moines, being in a different environment, surrounded by powerful people, and having your voice being heard was a powerful thing that I wouldn't trade anything for.

Kristin: I had an opportunity to take a trip to the capitol in Des Moines for the Day on the Hill with a small group. We were taught more about alcohol and marijuana and then trained on how to call our representatives out of session. We were able to discuss alcohol and marijuana laws with our representatives and express our concerns surrounding these substances. It was a very beneficial day. I learned so much, not only about harmful substances and their effects, but also about laws and how the capitol works.

**What other activities do you think TEL should add?**

Kelly: We could add more activities for the high school, and involve them more.

Chloe: Anything that gets you to take part in the community. I like hands on activities and trips, so I wish we had more of those.

Kristin: Through TSN, we educate sixth graders about tobacco. I think it would be rewarding to reach out to reach out to younger students. So many are exposed to tobacco products and have grown up around them and don't realize all the negative side effects. The more they know, the less likely they will be interested in trying it.

Name: Kara Orcutt  
Sport: Track

**What are your favorite events to run at a track meet?** 4x400 and shuttle hurdle

**What do you think about when you run?** Going as fast as I can go and focus on my breathing

**How do you mentally prepare for a race?** Tell myself what I have to do, and that I can do it.

**What's your favorite part of practice?** Core, or the actual workout.

**What goals do you have for this season?** Winning conference and districts, and being a state champion.

# what's up?

## What's your favorite part about summer?

by Brooklyn Sands

Lane Coyle: no school

Brian Heims: being on the farm

Adam Goedken: making hay

Kaela Chesnut: being able to hang out

with my friends anytime I want

Madison McIntyre: being able to sleep in, not having any worries, and being stress free

Faith Hunt: tanning

Jon Seibert: baseball

Nathan Weber: no school

Tyler Britcher: baseball

Ty Doemyer: working and making money, not having to come to school

Blake Becker: the lake

Katilyn Deutmeyer: working at the pool and fair week

Cody Hunter: fair week

Mrs. DeVore: relax and read, getting to do what I want

## Athletes of the Week

Name: Brianna Mensen  
Sport: Track

**What are your favorite events to run at a track meet?** I like running the 4x200 and 4x400.

**What do you think about when you run?**

I think about the goal time I set for myself to run and the goal for the team.

**How do you mentally prepare for a race?** I call Megan and stretch and talk with my teammates.

**What's your favorite part of practice?** My favorite part of practice is when we do core.

**What goals do you have for this season?** I have a lot of small goals for the season, but ultimately I want to make it to state in multiple events and place high at state.

Name: Kyle Wilson  
Sport: Track

**What are your favorite events to run at a track meet?** The 4x400 and the open 800

**What do you think about when you run?**

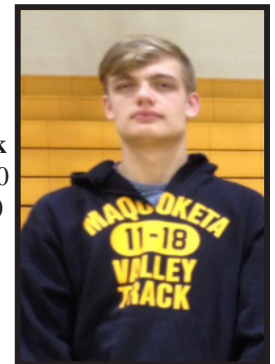
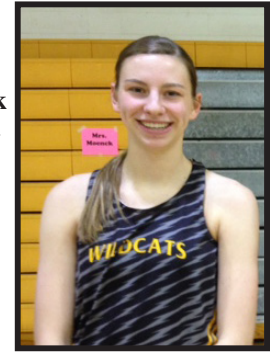
My mind just goes blank and I have nothing else to worry about when I'm running

**How do you mentally prepare for a race?**

I just listen to some music.

**What's your favorite part of practice?** When I talk to coach at the end of practice

**What goals do you have for this season?** Just have fun and "bit by bit you fill the pot"



## Boys track competes at Anamosa, Independence

The boys track team competed at Anamosa and Independence last week and found some success.

Zak Harbach was MV's lone point earner at Tuesday's Anamosa meet with a sixth place finish in both the 400M run in 55:39 and the long jump with a leap of 20'01.

Thursday night, the team tied for third place with 90 points.

100M dash: Harbach, fourth, 12.14;

Mitchell Neuzil, fifth, 12.28

200M dash: Harbach, fifth

400M dash: Alex McCusker, fifth, 58.53;

Blake Becker, eighth, 1:02

800M run: Tate Trenkamp, eighth, 2:27.55

110M hurdles: Tyler Britcher, sixth, 20.85

1600M run: Bryant Meyer-Kemp, sixth,

5:35.12

3200M run: Trenkamp, fourth, 11:27.75;

Canyon Richardson, eighth, 12:43.45

400M hurdles: Colin Wendt, seventh

Discus: Brian Heims, seventh, 92-03

High jump: Brock Hillers, fifth, 5-02

Long jump: Harbach, third, 19-04.5

Shot put: Brody Sevart, second, 42-05.5;

Tyson Tucker, sixth, 40-07

4x100 relay: second, 47.20

4x200 relay: fifth: 1:43.20

4x400 relay: fifth, 3:57.86

4x800 relay: sixth, 10:32.98

Shuttle hurdle relay: second, 1:08.35

1600 distance medley: third, 4:14.58



**Brody Sevart heaves the shot at the track meet at Anamosa Tuesday night. He finished 12th with a throw of 43-03. (photo courtesy of Pete Temple, Monticello Express)**

## Brain Teaser

by Mason Lubben

I am created in the present, but am quickly left in the past. I am often remembered, but might not be the best. What am I?

*A: History/Memories*

## Did you know?

by Emma McDowell

Many celebrities operate under a stage name, keep reading to learn some of the legal names of your favorite celebs.

- P!nk's real name is Alecia Beth Moore.
- Peter Gene Hernandez is Bruno Mars' real name.
- Nicki Minaj's legal name is Onika Tanya Maraj.
- Lady Gaga's actual name is Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta.
- Katy Perry is Katheryn Elizabeth Hudson's stage name.
- Elizabeth Stamatina Fey is the real name for comedian Tina Fey.
- You probably know Caryn Johnson as Whoopi Goldberg.
- Hulk Hogan's real name, Terry Jean Bollette, isn't as intimidating as his stage name.
- Norma Jean Mortensen is the real name of Marilyn Monroe.
- Audrey Hepburn's real name is Edda Kathleen van Heemstra Hepburn-Ruston.

## Cutie

by Nichole Winter

This cutie lives in Hopkinton. His favorite thing to do is eat treats and go outside. His eyes are yellow. He has one sibling named Maggie, and he likes to cuddle.



## Remodeling project more evident

A barricade has gone up in the freshmen hallway. Students now use the bathrooms in the locker rooms in the middle school since remodeling work has also begun on the high school locker rooms.





## Fine Artists of the Week

Name: Alex McCusker

Activity: Spring play

**What is your role in the spring play?** Smeagol



**What do you enjoy most about being a part of this show?**

Having a character that I enjoy playing as, and interacting with a lot of other people.

**What will audience members enjoy most about the play?** How dumb the characters are and how many references to other Disney movies.

**If you could star in any TV show, what would it be?** *Rick and Morty*, because of the ridiculous adventures and to just have a conversation with Rick.

Name: Katilyn Deutmeyer

Activity: Spring play

**What is your role in the spring play?**

Blood Packet Girl



**What do you enjoy most about being a part of this show?**

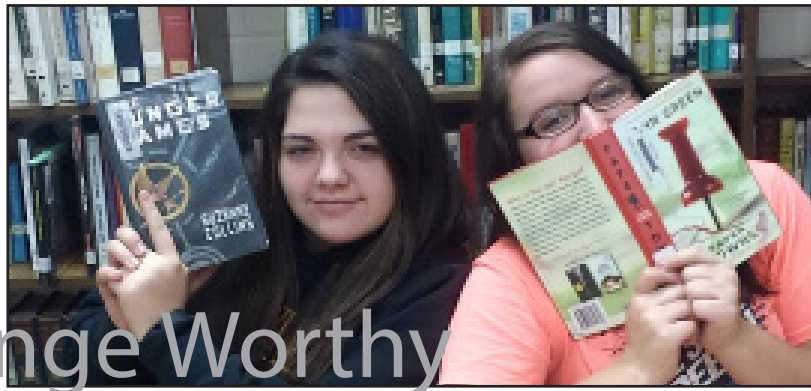
I have a lot of friends that are out for play which makes it fun. Also on how funny the play is.

**What will audience members enjoy most about the play?**

The humor! It is so funny and I can't wait to perform.

**If you could star in any TV show, what would it be?**

*The Office* just because of how funny it is.



## Binge Worthy

Rebekah & Amanda:

**The Phantom of the Opera:** The Phantom is in charge, and what he says goes. He brings Christine into the limelight, and makes her a star. When his plans do not go the way that he wants, he gets angry and makes sure that his point gets across. While wearing a mask the whole time, to hide part of his face. He tricks Christine, and meddles into her life. A musical full of love, heartbreak, sadness, and moments of joy. This musical is truly amazing, and must be seen by everyone. And come on, who would pass up an opportunity to watch a movie with Gerard Butler?!

Rebekah:

**Full Ride by Margaret Haddix:**

Becca's father has been put in jail for stealing money from innocent people. When her father was sentenced for 10 years, Becca and her mother's lives stopped. What were they suppose to do? People were out to get them. They had to move away from home and start over. But how do you create a whole new life? What can you say, and what can you not? When Becca is getting ready to go to college, she starts to discover many things she never knew about her father's crimes. Many twists and turns make for one exciting book. A good read!

**Clouds sung by Zach Sobiech:** An inspirational story is behind this fantastic song. Mr. Cassutt showed my class this song my 8th grade year, and it has stuck with me ever since. Zach was diagnosed with cancer and was told that he only had so long to live. He embraced live and did everything he could in the time that he had left. This included fulfilling his dream of writing and producing. I absolutely love this song, and it is definitely worth listening to, most likely on repeat.

**Carry On sung by Fun:** I love this song, because of its beat and the way that it sounds. It talks about how even through bad times in live, or if we ever alone we have to carry on. We have to continue to battle and fight for the live that we want. An amazing song!

Amanda:

**Thirteen Reasons Why: (Netflix Original Series)**

Hannah Baker is just like you and me, a teenager just struggling to get by. But for Hannah it was too much and she ended her own life. Clay Jensen thought his life couldn't get worst until the day a package arrives on his porch. Inside are 7 tapes, on the tapes is someone he thought he would never hear again, Hannah. Clay discovers just why Hannah decided to end it, all thirteen reasons. Hannah recits a life of loss, betrayal, and absolute horror. This t.v. adaptation of Jay Asher's book was simply heartbreaking. I can not necessarily say I enjoyed watching this show but it was definitely eye opening and very important to watch. I highly recommend everyone to check out this show. (Just know that you are never alone.)

**Shiver by Maggie Stiefvater:** Grace has always watched the wolves behind her house. She felt connect with them. Even after her attack she was never scared by them, they made her feel safe. Sam has been watching Grace from the woods, he always admired her bravery. He waits for the day that he will return to a human. When the two finally meet their lives are forever changed. This book is full of romance, action, and adventure. A definite read for fans of the Vampire Diaries and Twilight.

# The Cat Box Hall Smarts

opinions, ideas and random thoughts from the staff of *The Wildcat Echo*



A meow to students who helped others by donating to the Principles of Management food drive.



A meow to all the students who have helped with moving items for the remodeling project. A (we know it's whiny) furball to the struggle of getting to the bathroom and maneuvering around the blockade in the freshmen hallway.



A meow to the pride we take in helping our communities.



A meow to the hiring of Mr. Travis Ford as our new band teacher. Word on the street is that he'll be around before the end of the year.

## ***A new Wildcat is born!***

Congratulations to Ryan "Pete" Parsons and Sara Gienapp on the birth of their happy baby boy, Hank Timothy Parsons, on April 4.



## **Birthday Shoutouts!**

by **Chance Downs**

*It's never too early or too late to tell a fellow classmate Happy Birthday!*

This week's birthdays are:

4/3 - Victoria Lane

4/4 - Caleb Reedy

4/5- RYANNE FLANAGAN,  
JORDYN KEMP

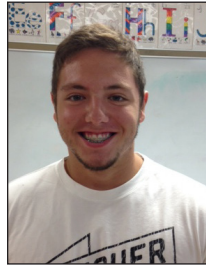
4/7 - Ryan Dunn

by **Brody Severt**

Hello,

Wildcats, this week is the counterpart of last week's selection for Hall Smarts. As many of you know, last week we had Disney princesses as our topic.

This week we are going to have questions about Disney movies' villains. Our contestant combating these questions will be Bryant Meyer-Kemp, Madison McIntyre, Gracie Gellersen and Jenna Nefzger.



Who was the evil lion in *The Lion King*?

Bryant: Scar

Madison: Scar

Gracie: Mufasa

Jenna: Scar

Answer: Scar

Snow White ate an apple poisoned by whom?

Bryant: the Evil Queen

Madison: her evil step mother

Gracie: that old lady

Jenna: the witch person

Answer: The Evil Queen

The *Little Mermaid* features who as the villain?

Bryant: Ursula

Madison: Ursula

Gracie: the purple lady

Jenna: Ursula

Answer: Ursula

Maleficent is the villain in which movie?

Bryant: Sleeping Beauty

Madison: sleeping beauty

Gracie: Snow White

Jenna: Snow White

Answer: Sleeping Beauty

Gothel is the evil "mother" in which film?

Bryant: Tangled

Madison: Tangled

Gracie: tangled

Jenna: Brave

Answer: Tangled

Totals: Bryant: 5 Madison: 4 Gracie: 1

Jenna: 2

Good job to all of our Wildcat competitors this week. That's all for Hall Smarts this week. Have a great week and just remember that the school days are ticking away.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV  
the week of APRIL 9, 2017

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

MV HS FFA to State FFA Convention at ISU in Ames - 4:00 PM (Bus at 1:00 PM)

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017

1. HS JV/V G & B Golf with N.L. @ Hartridge Golf Course in Manchester - 4 PM (1 Van Leaves at 2:45 PM)
2. MV Fine Arts Boosters Meeting - HS Cafeteria - 5:30 PM
3. MV All-Elementary Spring Concert - Multi-Purpose Room - JK-2nd @6:15 PM / 3rd-5th @7:15 PM
4. MV HS FFA at State FFA Convention at ISU in Ames

TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2017

1. JH Boys' Track at Clayton Ridge in Guttenburg - 4:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 2:25 PM)
2. HS Boys' Track to J-Hawk Invitational in Jesup - 4:30 PM (Bus at 2:40 PM)
3. HS Girls' Track to Lady Raider Relays in Anamosa - 4:30 PM (Bus at 2:45 PM)
4. JH Girls' Track to Hawk Relays at West Delaware in Manchester - 4:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:10 PM)
5. 7th & 8th Homework Assistance - MS Room 305 with Mrs. Moorman - After School until 4:00 PM
6. MV HS FFA at State FFA Convention at ISU in Ames (Bus Returns to Delhi @ 10:00 PM)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017

1. 7th & 8th Homework Assistance - MS Room 302 with Mrs. Grimm - After School until 4:00 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017

1. Back Pack Delivery - Johnston, Earlville, Delhi Elementary & Middle School
2. MS Proficiencies and Deficiencies Due to the Middle School Office - Noon
3. HS Girls' Track to Star Relays at Starmont - 4:45 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:05 PM)
4. HS Boys Track to West Delaware Invitational in Manchester - 4:45 PM (Bus Leaves 3:15 PM)

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2017

1. NO SCHOOL - Good Friday









