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Homecoming is Coming Up!!!



This year's homecoming court includes: (sitting) Sonia Vidal, Cassie Bawek, Lynn Nefzger with escort Tyler Koob, Allison Ford with escort Cory Ireland, Laura Orcutt with escort Nathan Shaffer, Sara Wenthold with escort Leon Wilson; freshmen attendants Jordan Gibbs and Scott Hoeger, sophomore attendants Natasha Klaren and Brian Wegmann, escort Chad Rowray, king candidates Wes DeShaw, Brian Hillebrand, Justy Feldt, Mike Sibel, Shawn Roling and junior attendants Nathan Kramer and Brooke Weber.

by Jessica Krogmann

It's football season and it's near the end of September. That could only mean one thing: Homecoming!

The festivities start Monday with it being Hawaiian Luau Day. At 6:30 Iron Man Volleyball will begin in the HS gym with a \$1 admission. Powder Puff will follow volleyball on the football field. Everyone is invited to watch, play, or dress up as cheerleaders to cheer your class on!

Tuesday is Biker Mania Day. There's a home volleyball game that night again Starmont, and a cross country meet at Center Point. Homecoming is a time to support all sports events.

Wednesday is Class Competition Day. The seniors chose Toga Day, the Juniors have Redneck Day, the Sophomores are undecided yet and the Freshmen are doing Super Hero Day.

Thursday night is Pirate Day and the volleyball players go to Monticello.

Finally, on Friday, it's Black and Gold Day. From 1:45-2:15 everyone will pack the gym to play games. The parade will begin at 2:30 followed by a pep rally and the crowning of the homecoming king. The JV football game starts early; the action starts at 4:45. The homecoming queen will

be crowned between the games. Following the game is the dance from 10-12:30 in the Middle School Commons. Admission into the dance is \$5. Saturday there is a marching band contest at Marion and the band will perform at approximately 6:30 PM.

This year's homecoming theme is "Catch the Wildcat Wave." This is the last one for all the seniors so make it something to remember!



Student council members have met several times recently to help plan next week's Homecoming festivities. (photo by Alecia Bacon)

MV FFA Attends District Dairy Judging and Dairy Foods Contests

On Saturday, September 13th, the dairy judging teams of Sara Wenthold, Sheila Wenthold, Kelly Freiburger, Mary Hoffmann, Staci Wenthold, and Zach Deutmeyer, and the dairy foods team of Heidi Arjes, Todd Sheehy, and Ryan Jay all traveled to West Union for the district contests. The dairy teams were tested on a general knowledge/ problem solving test, judging five classes of cattle, oral reasons, and a linear evaluation. The team of Zach Deutmeyer, Sheila Wenthold, and Sara Wenthold placed 4th, and individual placings were Zach Deutmeyer 5th, and Sheila Wenthold 7th.

The dairy foods team was tested in general knowledge/ analysis test, milk flavors, and cheese identification: real versus imitation. The team placed 8th with Heidi Arjes individually placing first.

Natural Resource Class Releases Pheasants

During the past weeks, the Maquoketa Valley natural resource class has released the pheasants they had been raising since last spring. The release sites include; Josh Holtz's, Shearer Park, Retz Park, Karen Palmersheim's, Indian Hills Park, Rod Nefzger's, Richie Steffen's, Gene Wenthold's, and Carl Olmstead/ Doug Melchert's. At each site about 7 to 11 pheasants were released, both roosters and hens. Overall about 75 pheasants were released. *by Sheila Wenthold, reporter*



Mr. Marting and Daniel Palmersheim release a pheasant.