

Wildcat Echo

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Large Group Speech Team Advances to State

by Amanda Heims

On Monday, the Large Group Speech Team traveled to Cascade for the District Speech Meet. They did very well on having a number of people advance on to state.

Receiving I rating and advancing to State on February 5th are: Cody Recker, Abby Jurgens, Brooke Robinson, Emily Ries, Brian Wilson, Amber Cummings, Kathy Klostermann, Bill Durey, Mekell Helle, Annie Ehltz, Allison Supple, Allison Offermann, and Jennifer Schooley--Choral Reading; Brett Huber--Solo Mime; Miranda Knake, Brooke Robinson, Adam Ries, Katie Hoffmann, Brian Schuster, Josh Tucker, Alex Kracke, Curtis Wolf, Brian Wilson, and Jackie Melchert--TV news; Allison Offermann and Ivy LeClere--Group Improvisational Acting; Miranda Knake, Kelly Freiburger, Audrey Salow, and Aaron Dunham with Austin Knake on tech--One Act Play; Brando Hills, Alex Glew, and Austin Knake--Group Mime; Alex Glew, Megan Sawyer, and Mike Salow--Group Improvisational Acting; and Ashley Heims--Solo Mime

Performing but not advancing to state were: Adam Ries and Jessica Krog-



Pictured above are the speech students who will compete at the state meet next Saturday.

mann--musical theatre; Aaron Dunham and Lalaina Rabary--Group Improv; Bill Durey and Jen Schooley--Ensemble Acting; Lalaina Rabary, Megan Sawyer, and Andrea Palmersheim--Group Mime; Audrey Salow, Megan Besler, Maggie Seibert, Brett Huber, Mike Salow, and Phillip Mueller--musical theatre; Gwen Offermann and Felicia Harbach--ensemble acting; Kelli Kregel, Cody Recker,

Brian Schuster, John Eiben, Curtis Wolf, Casi Orr, Zack Jones, and Jackie Melchert--Radio Broadcasting; Melissa Schultz and Maggie Seibert--Group Mime; and Katie Reth, Josh Tucker, Mekell Helle, Mat Chapman, Annie Ehltz, Brando Hills, and Abby Jurgens--Readers Theatre.

Annie Ehltz commented that Speech is a great way to express yourself and she thought the meet went extremely well. She says that she is very excited to move on to state. Audrey Salow also said that Monday was a lot of fun. She loved being able to watch her friends and that you should definitely go out for speech.

Conference Band Honors Many

by Jessica Krogmann

Last Thursday, a large group of students traveled to Monticello to show off their musical abilities for the Tri-Rivers Conference Honor Band.

Attending from Maquoketa Valley were: Kim Nieman, Megan Besler, Allison Offerman, Jackie Melchert, Jake Lahr, Adam Ries, Kasey Jones, Lalaina Rabary, Allison Kramer, Andrea Palmershiem, Jessica Krogmann, Bill Durey, Beth Klostermann, Katie Hoffmann, Tony Ries and Philip Mueller.

The students left school at 1:00 to arrive at Monticello and begin a long and continuous rehearsal with Dr. Rod Chestnut from U.N.I. The practice ran from 2-6, when all the students from the Tri-Rivers were given a short time to eat from their buffet catered by Darrell's. At 7:00, the concert was held and was open to anyone interested in listening. Pieces performed were "Elegy and Affirmation," "March of the Sun Dried Tomatoes," "Star Spangled Banner," "Salvation is Created," and "Inchon."

Kim Nieman and Adam Ries both commented the same on the day saying that although the music was fairly hard, they felt the concert went well.



Left: These musicians represented MV in the conference honor band.