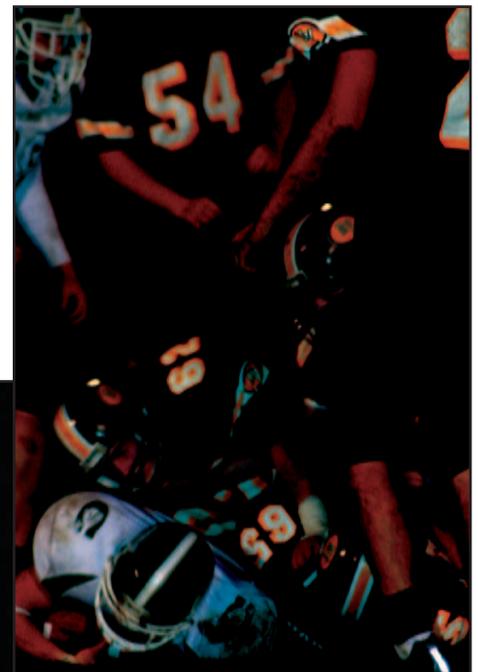


Wildcats End Successful Season with Playoff Loss



Congratulations to the MV football squad for qualifying for the state playoffs. The Cats hosted Waterloo Columbus Wednesday night. The Cats fell 17-9 in a hard-fought battle.

Service and Science Done Hand in Hand

by Jessica Krogmann

The students who signed up last year for a science class with Miss King really had no idea what they were getting in to. During the first days of class, Miss King informed the classes that they would all be doing service projects. With that said, the year progressed with little said until about a month ago. It was then that the classes had time to bounce ideas around and come up with an idea to give back to the community. The projects and ideas that came up were all diverse and astounding and many classes have already gotten to work on them.

Together, the second and eighth hour classes are hosting a pop tap drive for the Ronald McDonald House. This is a place for families to go and stay when children are in intensive care in the hospital. Pop tabs from any kind of can can be dropped off in the bucket around in the lobby, or given to any student in the second

or eighth hour science classes. Third hour is in a fast frenzy already and are all set in their plans. On November 26th, they're having a bake sale at Wal-Mart to raise money for the Lance Armstrong Cancer Fund. With the money they raise, they plan to buy yellow Nike "Livestrong" bracelets to sell. Fourth hour has also made progress already with their drive for Goodwill. Clean clothes can be dropped off in the box outside the science door or given to one of these students. These clothes will then be donated to the Goodwill stores for all families in the area to use. Fifth hour is planning to get under way soon with a penny drive for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. This foundation gives the chance to give terminally ill children any wish they want before passing on. Along with the penny drive, they're hopping to have a fifty-fifty drawing at some of the basketball games this winter. Sixth hour is doing Opera-

tion Santa Clause and plans to collect toys to give to children who are less fortunate during the holiday season. Also, they're talking about making baskets for whole families as well to give during the season of giving. Lastly, the seventh hour class is planning a series of various fundraisers for the I.C. Children's Burn Camp, which is a camp for children to go to who have been burnt some way in their life to help them cope and enjoy themselves.

Miss King said she wanted to do the service projects to get students to give back to the community. She said, "Giving back really does give a warm feeling." These service projects can include everyone and can help and touch more people and families than one might think. If one class can make a difference, imagine what a whole school can do.