

Musicians show their talents at solo/ensemble contest

by Mikaela Reth

The band and choir traveled to Cascade for Solo and Ensemble competition last Saturday and received 18 Division I's, 15 Division II's, and 4 Division III's.

The Treble Clef Quartet (Source of the Waters) - Riley Sternhagen, Taylor Guthrie, Shaylyn Trenkamp and Raven Eatman-Dietiker were designated Best of Center for Center 3.

Soloists receiving Division I's- Zach Smith, Taylor Guthrie-Vocal, Saxophone, and Piano, Riley Sternhagen, Shaylyn Trenkamp-vocal and trumpet, Raven Eatman-Dietiker, Colin Wendt-MultiPercussion, Nichole Winter-Flute.

Soloists receiving Division II's- Matthew Lansing, Emily LaGrant-vocal and tuba, Selena Ramirez, Hannah Clemen, Kiesha Stelken, Nichole Lucas-Clarinet, Kinsey Johnson-Bassoon, Mikaela Reth-Clarinet.

Ensembles receiving Division I's- Mixed Chamber Choir: Vicky Agromayor, Kristin Brehm, Emily LaGrant, Briana March, Laisee Shakespeare, Riley Sternhagen, Lawson Roof, Audrey Sheehy, Macy Anderegg, Taylor Guthrie, Jazz Niehaus, Shaylyn Trenkamp, Kendra Ries, Amanda Fortman, Raven Eatman Dietiker, Matthew Lansing, Eric Heims, Patrick Hansen, Jake Jones, Dalton Sprau, Greg Guetzko, Zach Smith Ryan Dunn, Sean Hucker

Madrigal: Riley Sternhagen, Kristin Brehm, Emily LaGrant, Briana March, Lawson Roof, Cassie Schwandt, Taylor Guthrie, Shaylyn Trenkamp, Macy Anderegg, Jazz Niehaus, McKenna Wenthe, Kendra Ries, Matthew Lansing, Patrick Hansen, Ryan Dunn, Zach Smith

Treble Clef Ensemble (Under the Willow): Riley Sternhagen, Vicky Agromayer, Laisee Shakespeare, Kristin Brehm, Emily LaGrant, Briana March, Lawson Roof, Taylor Guthrie, Macy Anderegg, Raven Eatman-Dietiker, Shaylyn Trenkamp, Jazz Niehaus

Treble Clef Ensemble (Jordan's Angels): Destiny Clayborne, Selena



Musicians who received a Division I rating on their solos include Nichole Winter, Shaylyn Trenkamp, Zach Smith, Colin Wendt, Riley Kay Sternhagen and Raven Dietiker. Not pictured is Taylor Guthrie.

Ramirez, Ali Sheehy, Cassie Schwandt, McKenna Wenthe, Lawson Roof, Kendra Ries, Bekah Hill, Amanda Fortman

Treble Clef Quartet (Source of the Waters): Riley Sternhagen, Taylor Guthrie, Shaylyn Trenkamp and Raven Eatman-Dietiker

Mixed Quartet- Riley Sternhagen, Taylor Guthrie, Patrick Hansen, Matthew Lansing

Duet: Riley Sternhagen and Taylor Guthrie.

Clarinet Choir

Ensembles receiving Division II's- Treble Clef Chamber Choir: Vicky Agromayer, Kristin Brehm, Emily LaGrant, Briana March, Laisee Shakespeare, Destiny Clayborne, Selena Ramirez, Lawson Roof, Ali Sheehy, Cassie Schwandt, Kiesha Stelken, Hannah Clemen, Victoria Lane, McKenna Wenthe, Audrey Sheehy, Macy Anderegg, Jazz Niehaus, Kendra Ries, Amanda Fortman, Raven Eatman Dietiker, Bekah Hill, Megan Beaman, Josy Harmon

Bass Clef Ensemble: Matthew

Lansing, Zach Smith, Greg Guetzko, Eric Heims, Patrick Hansen, Jake Jones, Sean Hucker, Ryan Dunn

Bass Clef Ensemble: Greg Guetzko, Matthew Lansing, Patrick Hansen, Zach Smith

Mixed Sextet: Ali Sheehy, Selena Ramirez, Hannah Clemen, McKenna Wenthe, Megan Beaman, Raven Eatman-Dietiker, Sean Hucker, Zach Smith, Ryan Dunn

Treble Clef Ensemble: Hannah Clemen, Victoria Lane, Kiesha Stelken, Megan Beaman, Josy Harmon, Baritone/Tuba duet.

Events receiving Division III's- Percussion Choir, Riley Sternhagen-Piano Solo, Eric Heims-vocal solo, Shay Trenkamp-Piano Solo.

Sports Connection

Salow, LaGrant medal at recent golf meets

Last Friday the golf teams competed at Meadowview Golf Course in Central City. The boys teams tied at 202, and the MV girls lost 229-222.

Dylan Salow was the medalist with a 45. Riley Kloser was the runner-up medalist with a 49. Other scores were Jordy Downs, 54; Jordan Schindler, 54; Steve Huber, 61; Logan Fronatt, 67.

In the JV meet, Cole Willenbring scored a 68.

In the girls meet, Emily Grant was the top MV golfer with a 54 which was good for third overall. Other scores were Riley Sternhagen, 57; Josie Young, 57; Shaylyn Trenkamp, 61; Megan McNamara, 64.

Coach Andrews stated he was very happy with the results and how the team competed with the extremely windy conditions at Meadowview. "The greens were really fast which made it more difficult as well knowing we practiced during the week with very slow green conditions with all the rain we got at Hart Ridge. Having said this I was happy we got a couple guys in the 40's and were able to come away with a tie with Central City on their home course. I was also pleased with how the girls competed and seeing we have three girls in the 50's given the tough conditions. Hopefully the weather cooperates this coming week

and we can keep lowering our scores and getting personal records."

Tuesday night, the golf team competed in Independence at Three Elms Golf Course. The boys won the dual against North Linn 196-205. In the girls meet, North Linn did not have enough athletes for a team score.

Dylan Salow was the medalist with a 41. Other scores were: Riley Kloser, 49; Steve Huber, 50; Jordy Downs, 56; Jordan Schindler, 57; Logan Fronatt, 67. Cole Willenbring scored a 58 for the JV team.

Emily LaGrant was the medalist for the girls with a 56. Other scores were: Riley Sternhagen, 59 (Runner-up medalist); Shaylyn Trenkamp, 64; Megan McNamara, 68.

Coach Andrews stated, "I was happy to see the boys get under a 200 and win the meet versus North Linn. This was a quality win for us and it was good to see Dylan shoot a 41 and have the other guys lower their scores as well. It was also good to see the girls come away with medalist and runner-up medalist honors. Emily and Riley continue to improve each week and it will be interesting to see how low of a team total the girls can get their scores down to over the next several weeks as long as the weather cooperates."

Boys run at Anamosa

The rain may have rained out the originally scheduled Anamosa track meet, but the clear skies on Saturday proved to treat the Wildcats well at the Fearing Relays. The team finished ninth with 30 points. Western Dubuque won the meet with 147 points.

Athletes scoring points were:

200M Dash: Zak Harbach, fifth, 24.13
400M Dash: Derek Salow, fifth, 54.89
800M Run: Derek Salow, second, 2:03.52
4x400M relay: ninth, 3:54.04
4x800 relay: seventh, 9:16.35
Long jump: Zak Harbach, fourth, 10-01

Results from this week's meets will be in the next issue.



Above: Tyson Tucker sprints his way to the finish line.



Left: Colin Wendt and Kyle Wilson compete in the 110 high hurdles at Anamosa last Saturday. (photos courtesy of Pete Temple)

Angie's Angle

by Angie Wilson

Why make life so complicated?

Miss someone?...Call

Wanna meet up? ...Invite

Wanna be understood? ... Explain

Have a question? ... Ask

Don't like something? ... Say it

Like something? ... State it

Want something? ... Go for it

Love someone? ... Show it



Athlete of the Week

Name: Dylan Salow

Sport: Golf

What do you enjoy most about playing golf?

Golfing with friends and it is something I can play the rest of my life

What's something about the sport that non-golfers wouldn't realize? There are a lot more rules than most people think

What are your golfing strengths? My mid distance game and chipping

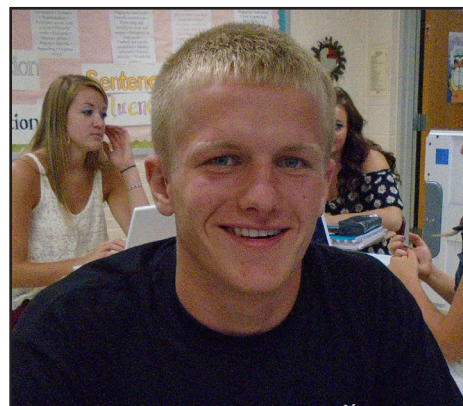
Favorite memory from the golf course?

Chipping in for eagle on the last hole at Hartridge during the summer



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Riley Kloser



You have helped Susan with several office tasks including hauling paper, taking down the faculty lunch table, and, in general, just helping out without being asked. Why do you do it? I always just try to be the best person that I can be. If it will help them then I will try my best to do what I can.

What has been a memorable way someone has helped you? I would have to say that it was during middle school and early high school years when Mr. Huegel helped me to become more confident with myself and showed me what I needed to do to become, not only a better athlete, but also a better person.

How would you like to see other students help? I believe that it is very important for people to help each other out. Life isn't always a competition or something. So I just want to say that when you have the opportunity to help someone out, do it. It can put a smile on someone's face and can make yourself feel good.

Are you crazy excited about service day this afternoon? I wouldn't say I am crazy excited but I would say that it is definitely a good feeling to be able to help out and give back to the community that I grew up in.

—Riley was nominated by Susan Severt

CTE programs highlighted at meeting



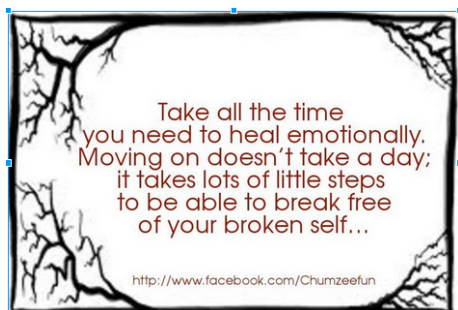
Last Friday the Career and Tech Ed departments held their annual Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee meeting which includes parents, community members, faculty and administration.

Above: Mrs. Downs explains to the crowd what she and her students do in the Family & Consumer Science department.

Right: Volunteer Ryan Parmely serves the meal which the Beginning and Advanced Foods classes prepared.



Quotastic



by Mikaela Reth

I feel this quote applies well to the happenings of this past weekend especially well. Of course, most of us have experienced some sort of pain or grief before whether this was for a grieving friend or the loss of someone in our lives or even a pet. No matter what it was, I think this is an important thing to remember. Loss hurts! Even if we only are feeling it through a grieving friend.

We all deal with this pain differently, but no matter what, time is the only thing that can truly heal us. Of course, we can't just hide it and expect it to go away. Emotion is emotion and nobody should be ashamed of how he or she is feeling. We just need to take whatever time it takes to get rid of the sting and remember to be patient with ourselves in the process.

Cutie



by Annie Fjelstul

This week's cutie is a senior.
She has 2 sisters and 2 brothers.
She goes to Kirkwood in the afternoon.
She plans to attend Kirkwood next fall.

Last week's Cutie with rockin' hair was Aspen Britt.

Macy's Message

by Macy Andereg

If someone were to ask you the simple question of: If you could name the nicest person you know, who would you name?

I know that a series of people jump into my head so I'm sure you can relate as well. One of the first people to pop into my head is Nichole Lucas. If I could give Nichole a definition, I'd define her as the giggly, kind, selfless and happy person whom we see walking through halls and sitting in class every day just like everyone else.

When you see someone like Nichole, another question may come to mind: Why do bad things happen to good people? The accidental carbon monoxide poisoning that happened last weekend that sent her to the hospital and took the life of someone special--her boyfriend, friend to thousands, future protector of our country-- begs us to ask that question. This question pops into my mind nearly every day. They take the people that we think should stay here with us the longest. It doesn't make much sense to us, but God does have an individual plan for each and every one of us, even when we don't think it makes any sense.

Nichole will be coming back to school next week and there are a few things we need to keep in mind. She has gone through a lot in just one week and school isn't really on her mind. Even though we see her as the kind, giggly girl, she may not be. We need to show great amounts of respect towards her, her family, and others dealing with the loss as well. Make sure you let her know you are hear for her, even though I'm sure she already knows. That's what's so awesome about our community, we are one big family. Think of yourself in her situation, how would you want people to come about to you? Let Nicole, her family, and those still suffering know that MV is a family and we will be there to support her.



Do's and Don'ts of Last Quarter

by Shaylyn Trenkamp



It's true, we're on the final stretch. But, as most of us know, the final stretch can often be the hardest part of all. Don't stress though, with these tips and tricks, you'll soon be on top of your game and school will be out before you know it.

Do get some sleep. Gosh, you might think you have three billion other things to do, but sleep is important too. And, once you get more sleep, you're more likely to succeed at everything else.

Don't flip the switch on your attitude quite yet. We may long for summer, but we sometimes that gets in the way of us being grateful for what we have now. We've got some beautiful weather going already, even if school's still in session, so start taking advantage of it now.

Do your homework. You hear it over and over and over again, but really: the last quarter is not the time to give up. Make all of your hard work up until this point worth it.

Don't forget to be supporting all the spring activities. Golf, track, play, you name it!

Do be honest. Be honest with your teachers, your coaches, your friends, and your family. Stress can sometimes get the best of us in this last quarter, but don't let it affect your relationships.

Don't give up. Like, Mrs. Grimm's favorite theme: never give up. Just don't, man. Don't do it. Believe in yo-self and others will follow.

Students offer tour to presidential candidate



Advanced Manufacturing students from MV Blake Hogan and Garrett Guetzko offered a tour of the lab to presidential candidate Hillary Clinton Tuesday at Kirkwood in Monticello. "It was an honor," said Garrett. "She seemed interested and hopefully she is more interested in [this type of education]." Blake said, "It was nerveracking! She's that important." Above: Blake and Garrett pose with another Adv. Manufacturing student, Hillary Clinton, Kirkwood president Mick Starcevic, JREC director Lisa Folken, and the class instructor.

PROM Information

****Admission to the Prom is \$1 per person. Sign up will be April 20 thru 23 (Monday-Thursday) during the lunch hour. Class dues must be paid before you will be allowed to signup!**

****Grand March is 7:00-7:45 pm on Saturday. Everyone must be checked in by 8:00 pm. Doors will open to the public at 6:30; admission is \$1 per person.**

****Prom is 8:00 to Midnight in the high school gym. All Post Prom is 12:01 to 3:00 am.**

****Pictures will be in the art room -- Couples and small group pictures will be from 7:00-8:30 pm, large group pictures from 8:30-9:00 pm. Payment envelopes will be available at signup time.**

****Students, if you wish to bring clothes to change into for the games at Post Prom please have your bag here by the end of the day on Thursday, 4/23.**

Remember a hanger for dress/jackets, and tennis shoes are suggested.

Girls track finishes fourth at Anamosa

by Annie Fjelstul

The girls track team continued on their season at Anamosa on Tuesday night. The girls did pretty well and many improved their times. They finished fourth out of eight with 83 points. Monticello won the meet with 167 points.

Casey Fry, Jordan Ross, Mikayla Callan, and McKenzie Lansing started the meet in the 4x800 meter relay. They finished 5th out of 6 with a time of 12:21.21. Then Macy Hoeger, Cassy Wilson, Angela Wendt, and Kara Orcutt filled the shuttle hurdle relay. They placed second out of 6 and finished with a time of 1:13.94. Danica Fjelstul and Taylor White ran the 100 meter dash. Danica placed 8th out of 15 with a time of 14.9 and Taylor finished 9th right behind her with a time of 14.94. The distance medley team, consisting of Caitlin Schuman, Tiffany Hoeger, Rejji Smith, and Brianna Mensen, finished with a time of 4:57.49 receiving 4th out of 8. Then in the 400 meter dash, Aspen Britt placed 4th out of 12 with a time of 1:05.08. Megan Mensen, Heather Sabers, Madison Imler, and Morgan Manternach ran in the 4x200 meter relay. They ran with a time of 1:56.80 and got 5th place out of 5. Angela Wendt and Briana March both ran in the 100 meter hurdles. Angela finished with a time of 18.77 and placed 9th out of 15. Briana placed 15th and ran

with a time of 21.89. Hunter Glass ran the 800 in a time of 3:20.98 and received 9th place out of 10. Bridgett Massman also ran the 800 and finished 10th with a time of 3:28.36. Megan Mensen got 1st place out of 13 in the open 200. She claims, "I thought the girl right behind me was Brianna, so I kicked it in hard!" She ran in a time of 28.32. Brianna, in fact, placed 5th and ran in a time of 29.38. Cassy Wilson placed 2nd out of 5 in the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 1:14.08. The sprint medley team placed 4th out of 7 with a time of 2:03.59. Heather Sabers, Macy Anderegg, Morgan Manternach, and Aspen Britt made up this team. Danica Fjelstul, Madison Imler, Ashley Holtz, and Heather Sabers ran the 4x100 meter relay and finished 6th out of 8 with a time of 56.31. The 4x400 team got 3rd place out of 8 with a time of 4:32.17. Megan Mensen, Brianna Mensen, Caitlin Schuman, and Aspen Britt ran this race.

Vicky Agromayor and and Brianna Mensen competed in the high jump. Vicky did not clear and Brianna cleared 4' 6" and placed 4th out of 9. The long jump was filled by Megan Mensen and Madison Imler. Megan placed 4th out of 11 and jumped 14' 4." Madison jumped 13' 9.5" and placed 8th. Whitney Wilson placed 3rd out of 12 in the shot put and threw 30' 8.5." Becky Thompson placed 12th and threw



Megan Mensen soars in the long jump at Anamosa. (photo courtesy of Pete Temple)

26' 1." Ali Sheehy and Amanda Engelken threw the discus. Ali placed 7th out of 15 and threw 79' 04." Amanda followed closely behind, receiving 8th place with a throw of 78' 01."

The girls competed last night at Starmont. Those stats will be in next week's issue.

Best Buds



Abby Jay & Bailey Lubben
by Heather Sabers

How long have you been friends?
Forever

What do you do for fun?
Boy scope and watch movies and eat

Describe your friendship in one word.
NoRagrets

What's your most embarrassing moment together?
Too many

The Cat Box

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



A meow to the volunteer efforts for this afternoon and for the great weather for it.



A meow to teammates helping each other out after a meet when there's a car issue.



A comforting meow to Nichole Lucas for all she's been through.



A meow for juniors, Pam, and Sue for gearing up to decorate for prom.



A furball to students who don't understand the importance of plugging laptop back in to the power source.



A furball to any ditchers this afternoon.

Hall Smarts

by Emily LaGrant

With prom next weekend, it's time to have a Hall Smarts on prom. It seems the whole school is buzzing in anticipation. Let's see how much these students know. The contestants are: Heath Gibbs, Bekah Hill, Angie Wilson and Alec Klostermann.



1) What day is prom?

Heath: April 25

Bekah: April 25

Angie: April 25

Alec: April 19

A: April 25

2) How much is the entrance fee for prom?

Heath: \$1

Bekah: \$1

Angie: Cero dolares

Alec: Free

A: \$1

3) What is the theme for prom?

Heath: Blue

Bekah: Blue something

Angie: Rhapsody in Blue

Alec: I have no idea

A: Rhapsody in Blue

4) What is the senior bus called?

Heath: The Hangover Express

Bekah: The Hangover Express

Angie: The Hangover Express

Alec: Hangover Express

A: The Hangover Express

5) What time does prom start?

Heath: 7:30

Bekah: 8:00

Angie: 7:00

Alec: 7:00

A: 8:00

The winner this week was Bekah with 4 points. Angie and Heath were second with 3 points and Alec was last with just one point. Not bad, Wildcats. It looks like most people (except Alec) know their stuff. Now we wait for April 25!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of April 20, 2015

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2015

HS FFA to State FFA Convention at ISU in Ames (Bus & Vans Leaves at 1:00 PM)

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015

1. Deadline for May Newsletter Articles

2. JH Girls Track to Cascade - 4:15 PM

3. HS Girls' Track - HOME - Wildcat Relays - 4:30 PM

4. MV School Board Meeting - Middle School Conference Room - 6:00 PM

TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015

JH Choir Students to Honor Festival in Oelwein (2 Vans Leaves at 8:30 AM) - Concert at 7:00 PM

2. HS JV/V G & B Golf at Rolling Acres in Center Point with Alburnett - 4:00 PM

3. HS Boys' Track to Stormin' Pointer Invitational at C.P.U. - 4:45 PM

4. JH Boys' Track to Hawk Relays at West Delaware in Manchester - 4:00 PM

5. JH Girls Track to Starmont - 4:30 PM

6. HS FFA Returns from State FFA Convention at ISU in Ames (Bus & Vans Back About 10:00 PM)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2015

1. Johnston Elementary Pre-School Round Up - 8:30 AM

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2015

1. HS 10th Graders to Career Day at West Delaware HS in Manchester - 9:00 AM (Bus Leaves at 8:30 AM)

2. HS Boys Track to Panther Invitational in Monticello - 4:30 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:00 PM)

3. JH Boys Track to Starmont - 4:30 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:05 PM)

4. HS Girls Track to Hawk Relays at West Delaware - 4:45 PM (Bus at 3:15)

5. JH Girls' Track - HOME - Wildcat Relays - 4:15 PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2015

1. HS JV/V G & B Golf - HOME (Hartridge Golf Course) - Springfield - 4:00 PM (Van Leaves at 2:45 PM)

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015

1. Junior/Senior PROM Grand March - HS Auditorium - 7:00 PM (Doors Open at 6:30 PM - Adm. \$1)

2. Junior/Senior PROM - HS Gym & Cafeteria - 8:00 PM to Midnight (Prom Open to the Public until 8:15 PM)

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2015

1. MV HS Post PROM Party - HS Cafeteria & Gym - Midnight until 3:00 AM