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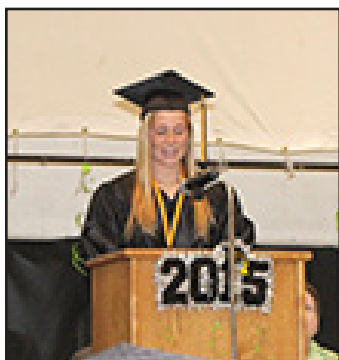
## Forty-two seniors receive diplomas

Commencement exercises for the class of 2015 were held Wednesday night, and 42 students can now say they are alumni of MV. This has been MV's smallest graduating class.

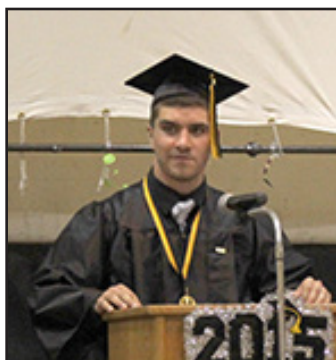
The Five-Star award was presented to Father Kramer for his support of MV academics, athletics and fine arts.

Speakers included Heather Sabers, student body president; Steve Huber, senior class president; and Annie Fjelstul and Ashley Holtz, co-valedictorians.

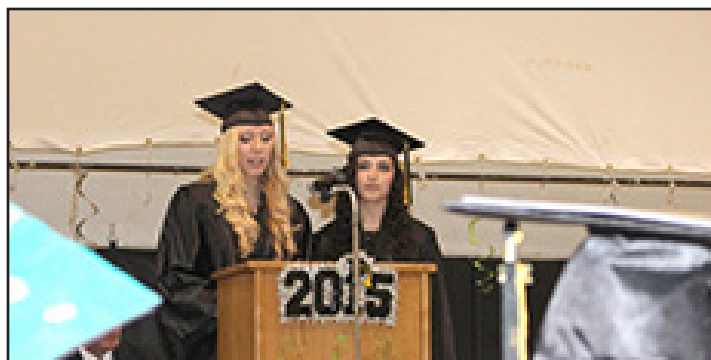
Dylan Salow, Derek Salow, Heather Sabers, Bailey Lubben, Steve Huber, Ashley Holtz, Tiffany Hoeger, Annie Fjelstul and Vicky Agromayor were recognized as being in the top 20% academically in their class.



Heather Sabers, student body president



Steve Huber, class president



Annie Fjelstul and Ashley Holtz, co-valedictorians

## Band, choir perform at large group contest

The band and choir competed at State Large Group contest May 9 in Cedar Falls.

The band earned a II rating.

The mixed choir and girls choir received a II rating, and the boys choir received a III rating.

Pictured, the concert band plays at graduation.



# Six events qualify for state track meet

by Shaylyn Trenkamp

On Thursday, May 16 the boys and girls of the Wildcat teams traveled to Edgewood-Colesburg for their District Qualifying Meet. Together, the Wildcats qualified for state in six events. For the girls, Caitlin Schuman, Tiffany Hoeger, Brianna Mensen and Rejji Smith qualified in the distance medley; Megan Mensen, Heather Sabers, Brianna Mensen and Morgan Manternach qualified in the 4x200m relay; and Macy Hoeger, Angela Wendt, Cassiddy Wilson and Kara Orcutt qualified in the shuttle hurdle relay. For boys, Derek Salow qualified with his 800m run, Ryan Parmely qualified in shot put, and Zak Harbach qualified in the 100m dash.

Girls' highlights: 200m dash: Megan Mensen, 3rd, 28.51; Madison Imler, 7th, 30.33. 400m dash: Aspen Britt, 5th, 1:04.6; Payton Ries, 9th, 1:09.08. 100m

hurdles: Macy Hoeger, 3rd, 18.19; Angela Wendt, 4th, 18.35. 400m hurdles: Cassiddy Wilson, 5th, 1:14.36. 4x100m relay: Ashley Stogdill, Morgan Manternach, Heather Sabers, Ashley Holtz, 2nd, 55.83. 4x200m relay: Megan Mensen, Heather Sabers, Brianna Mensen, Morgan Manternach, 1st, 1:52.83. 4x400m relay: Megan Mensen, Rejji Smith, Brianna Mensen, Aspen Britt, 3rd, 4:25.27. 4x800m relay: Casey Fry, Mikayla Callan, Jordan Ross, Hunter Glass, 6th, 12:39.66. 800m sprint medley: Ashley Holtz, Heather Sabers, Morgan Manternach, Megan Mensen, 2nd, 2:00.05. Distance medley: Caitlin Schuman, Tiffany Hoeger, Brianna Mensen, Reji Smith, 5th, 4:39.23. 4x100 shuttle hurdle relay: Macy Hoeger, Angela Wendt, Cassiddy Wilson, Kara Orcutt, 2nd, 1:12.77. Long jump: Madison Imler, 7th, 13-11.5. Shot put: Whitney Wilson, 5th, 31-07.25. Discus: Alison Sheehy,

2nd, 95-08.

Boys' highlights: 100m dash: Zak Harbach, 1st, 12.02. 400m dash: Jeremy Fischer, 7th, 57.89. 800m run: Derek Salow, 1st, 2:04.74; Colin Wendt, 7th, 2:17.75. 4x200m relay: Ryan Parmely, Zak Harbach, Derek Salow, Kyle Wilson, 2nd, 1:36.55. 4x400m relay: Austin Stogdill, Kyle Wilson, Colin Wendt, Derek Salow, 5th, 3:55.58. 4x800m relay: Derek Salow, Kyle Wilson, Austin Stogdill, Brendon Hogan, 2nd, 8:44.58. Distance medley: Ryan Parmely, Zak Harbach, Austin Stogdill, Kyle Wilson, 2nd, 3:52.62. Long jump: Zak Harbach, 3rd, 18-06. Ryan Parmely, 2nd, 48-10.25; Kaleb Handel, 9th, 37-10. Discus throw: Ryan Parmely, 3rd, 117-08; Clint Krapfl, 5th, 102-10.

See photos on next page.

## Strong placings for Wildcats at conference track meet, Central City

MV hosted the co-ed Tri-Rivers conference meet May 7 where the boys team finished second with 92 points and the girls team finished third with 78 points. Lisbon won the boys meet, and North Linn won the girls meet.

Point earners:

100M Dash: Ashley Holtz, sixth, 14.03; Zak Harbach, 11.43  
200M Dash: Megan Mensen, third, 27.79; Aspen Britt, 28.29, fourth; Zak Harbach, fifth, 24.08  
400M Dash: Aspen Britt, fourth, 1:03.47; Austin Stogdill, fourth, 55.13  
800M Run: Derek Salow, first, 2:01.15  
100M Hurdles: Macy Hoeger, fourth, 17.72; Angie Wendt, fifth, 17.73  
400M Hurdles: Kara Orcutt, third, 1:13.33; Cassy Wilson, fifth, 1:15.37; Kyle Wilson, second, 59.15  
4x100 Relay: girls, third, 53.93  
4x200 Relay: girls, third, 1:52.77; boys, third, 1:35.14  
4x400 Relay: girls, second, 4:16.75; boys, third, 3:42.27  
4x800 Relay: boys, first, 8:28.32  
800M Medley: girls, third, 1:58.55  
1600M Medley: girls, fourth, 4:35.48; boys, sixth, 4:06.33  
Shuttle Hurdle Relay: girls, third, 1:11.66; boys, fourth, 1:08.16  
High Jump: Payton Ries, third, 4-06; Eric Deutmeyer, third, 5-06.25  
Long Jump: Zak Harbach, second, 20-00  
Shot Put: Amanda Engelken, sixth, 31-02;

Ryan Parmely, second, 46-06.25  
Discus: Ali Sheehy, third, 96-02; Clint Krapfl, second, 124-08

Monday night the Cats ran on Central City's new all-weather track. Top finishers were:

100M Dash: Megan Mensen, third 14.90; Madison Imler, fifth, 15.16; Zak Harbach, second, 12/43  
200M Dash: Brianna Mensen, second, 29.98; Aspen Britt, third, 30.29; Austin Stogdill, fourth, 26.13  
400M Dash: Aspen Britt, first, 1:06.72; Payton Ries, third, 1:09.65  
800M Run: Mikayla Callan, fourth, 3:05.77; Jordan Ross, fifth, 3:08.95; Colin Wendt, second, 2:17.08  
1500M Run: McKenzie Lansing, third, 6:51.47  
1600M Run: Mitch Smith, second, 5:30.78; Bryant Meyer-Kemp, sixth, 5:48.55  
100M Hurdles: Macy Hoeger, first, 19.08; Angie Wendt, third, 20.38  
110M Hurdles: Alec McDowell, third, 19.30  
400M Hurdles: Cassy Wilson, first 1:16.17; Kara Orcutt, second, 1:17.96  
4x100m relay: girls, first, 55.39; boys, fourth, 49.99  
4x200m relay: girls, first, 1:57.07; boys, first, 1:39.09  
4x400m relay: girls, first, 4:29.86; boys, first, 3:46.66  
4x800m relay: girls, third, 12:21.01; boys,



**Mitch Smith stays strong in the 1600M run at the conference meet.**

fourth, 10:12.16  
800M relay: girls, first, 2:04.06  
1600M relay: girls, first, 4:46.89; boys fourth, 4:34.60  
Shuttle Hurdle relay: girls, first, 1:15.44; boys, second, 1:09.50  
High Jump: Payton Ries, second, 4-05; Eric Deutmeyer, first, 5-08  
Long Jump: Madison Imler, fourth, 13-10  
Discus: Ali Sheehy, first, 92-09; Amanda Engelken, sixth, 76-04; Ryan Parmely, first, 119-05; Clint Krapfl, second, 118-10  
Shot Put: Whitney Wilson, fourth, 29-00.5; Amanda Engelken, fifth, 27-09.5; Ryan Parmely, first, 39-08; Kaleb Handel, second, 34-08.5



# what's up?

by Nichole Winter

## What are you looking forward to most for summer vacation?

Danica Fjelstul- No school and sleeping in  
 Cassie Burkle- Fair  
 Zak Harbach- Being with Clint  
 Mrs. Hunt- My yard work  
 Trent Reeves- Getting a job  
 Missy Schwandt- Road trips  
 Calvin Orcutt- No school  
 Greg Guetzko- Partying and hanging out with friends  
 Tanner Parmely- Minnesota, friends, and baseball  
 Olivia Hill- Fair and friends  
 Victoria Lane- Camping and swimming  
 Wyatt Wilson- Working and having free time  
 Josie Young- Working with dairy cows with Emily and Kristi

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*Alec McDowell*



**You recently helped moved some chairs and risers without being asked. That's positive leadership. Who has been a positive leader in your life? What did he or she do?** My dad. He taught me to work hard and to not be cocky.

**What are some other leadership positions you've had?** Class President and a leader on sports teams.

**If an underclassman asked you how to become a better leader, what would you say?** Work hard, do your job, don't whine about stuff, and help others when they are struggling.

—Alec was nominated by Mr. Tuetken.

## Fine Artists of the Week

Name: Clint Krapfl  
 Activity: One-act play

### Which one-act play are you in?

I am in the one-act called *Selfie*.

### What do you enjoy most about your role?

Well my character is sort of funny. I am not anything like my character though.

**What has been your fondest memory of the show?** Getting to meet the people that are in my group, they are extremely helpful and are amazing to be around!

**If you could act on a TV show, which one would it be?** *Tosh.0* because who doesn't love Daniel Tosh?



Name: Macy Anderegg  
 Activity: One-act play

### Which one-act play are you in?

Superheroes

**What do you enjoy most about your role?** I like how my character, Hawkeye, isn't a well-known like Batman or Spiderman. You get to know his character throughout the one-act.

**What has been your fondest memory of the show?** Seeing everyone, including myself, step outside of his or her comfort zone.

**If you could act on a TV show, which one would it be?** I don't watch much TV. But *Grey's Anatomy* would be cool since I want to go into the medical field when I am older.



## FFA teams compete at horse judging, floriculture contests by Ryan Goedken, FFA Co-Reporter

On May 13, four students traveled to Ellsworth to compete in the District Horse Judging Contest. The day began with a team test in which Kristi Mensen, Tia Recker, Sabrina Heiderscheit and Josie Young used their knowledge to battle through the test. Next they judged 6 classes of horses, in which one class they had to give oral reasons to a judge. Overall the team placed 7th, and will be moving on to State Horse Judging in September.

On May 12, nine students went to Waterloo for the District Floriculture Contest. Amber Bonert, Emily Krapfl, Angie Wilson, Amanda Fortman, Josie Young, Emily O'Connell, Kristi Goedken, Mindy Burkle and Rejji Smith were all MV's professional florists. Kaleb Kruse also went to present the ribbons to the top teams and individuals as a District Officer. All three teams placed 6th, 7th, and 8th. Good job at Districts, the four members moving onto state are Kristi Goedken, Josie Young, Emily O'Connell, and Amanda Fortman.

## School supplies needed

Want to make a big difference in the lives of students in Haiti? The Accounting II class that consists of Kristi Goedken, Sienna Becker and Brooke Snyder took on a project that will help collect school supplies for kids in Haiti. After contacting the local deacon, he said the following supplies are needed:

- Spiral Notebooks
- Pencils
- Paper
- Backpacks
- Folders
- Rulers
- Scissors
- NO colors/markers (they will melt)

We will be doing this collection until Thursday. This is a great way to give back to the less fortunate. Gently used items are best. We will sort through the items to see if they are worth shipping over. The deacon will take care of the shipping process to Haiti.

With the school coming to an end and less use of your supplies, you can put them in any of the boxes located in each hallway. If you would rather give a cash donation, please give it to Mrs. Spellerberg. The Accounting students will then go buy needed supplies! We thank you for your generosity and hope to see the boxes overflowing!

## Snyders participate in career planning program

**You are participating in the Youth Career Connection program offered through NICC which provides career counseling. Why did you choose to participate?**

Brooke: I don't know what I want to do yet when I graduate so I thought it would be a good idea to go through this program so I could job shadow more things and really figure out what I want to do.

Kelsey: I chose to go into this program to try and figure out what I wanted to do in the future for a career. I also get help with looking for colleges and help applying for them since we are the first ones in our family to go to college.

**How have you benefited from it?**

Brooke: I have found out a lot about colleges and what I need to be looking at as a junior. I have been given lots of information on colleges and things I am currently looking at in the medical field.

Kelsey: The benefits of this program is seeing what specific job you want to go to college for, going on longer job shadows, and getting information on all the colleges you are interested in.

**What has been the most interesting part of the experience?**

Brooke: There are more jobs in a hospital than I thought. I was looking at radiology

but then I was opened up to laboratory which is another job in the diagnostic part of the hospital like radiology.

Kelsey: I like seeing all the options that are out there for jobs and even colleges. This program helps you see there are more choices out there than you think.

**Why would you encourage other students to take advantage of this service?**

Brooke: This program is really good to do this especially if you have no idea what you want to do or where you want to go. It will help guide you where you want to go.

Kelsey: By getting into this program it gets you one step further and really helps you see where you are going after graduating. If you don't know what career you want to go into after school this program helps you find a career by job shadowing and also helps you find what college and aid you can get into.

The participants meet with the career counselor about once a month.

The program is for juniors and seniors and they can contact Deb Kintzle at 563-822-1016 or kintzled@uiu.edu.

## Angie's Angle

by Angie Wilson

### And the Ball Keeps Rolling

This marks the last angle for this year. It has been real. It has been fun. It has been real fun!

As we finish out the year it marks the end. For us, it is not quite the end of our journey at Maquoketa Valley. We are still living that high school life. As I sat in the front row at the 2015 commencement ceremony I realized that my class will be sitting in those same spots. For sophomores and freshmen you are going to be one more year closer to that moment. I was walking down the aisle after the ceremony was over, and I couldn't help but think that it was over for them. They will never walk the halls as students, play one more game as a wildcat, or sing with that black and gold robe on. It made me realize the the depth of time.

Time will not stand still when you aren't ready to say goodbye. Even though I am excited as much as you to get out of school, I challenge you to continue to live in the moment of your high school life. The ball keeps on rolling and as our time here gets shorter, that ball seems to spin a little faster. Celebrate that school is out for the year, and remember that you are one more year closer to that final goodbye.



## Do's and Don'ts of Summer Break

by Shaylyn Trenkamp



"What time is it? Summertime! It's our vacation. What time is it? The time of our lives, anticipation. What time is it? Summertime, school's out, scream and shout!" That's right, it's almost summer! I can't wait and I know you surely can't, so here are your words of wisdom for making summer 2K15 the best one yet.

Do spend a bunch of time with your friends and family. Whether it's extensive plans or just relaxing, summer is the perfect time to get with the people you love.

Don't forget the graduation parties to celebrate all of our seniors' successes (oh, and the free food).

Do find ways to be active this summer. Walk or run a 5k, hit the gym, go swimming, play some ball, or do it all!

Don't allow yourself to be bored. Start a new hobby, invite some friends to go to the pool with you, or watch your little brother's little league game. Make the most out of your summer.

Do relax. Sleep in! Have a lazy day or two! It's summer, so chill out and enjoy yourself.

Don't leave anything out. Check some items off your bucket list, see some friends who live further away, do everything to make your summer the one you want it to be and more. Peace out school, hello summer 2K15!

## Girls finish fourth

The MV girls golf team finished only nine strokes from first place at the Tri-Rivers golf meet May 11 at Pin Oak. MV finished with a 460 while Easton Valley won the meet with 451.

Emily LaGrant was MV's top finisher in 9th with a 109.

Other scores and finishes:

13th- Riley Sternhagen, 113

16th- Megan McNamara, 117

21st- Shaylyn Trenkamp, 121

Coach Andrews said he was pleased with the performance. "Overall I felt like this was some of the best golf we have played all year as a team. Looking at the scores it does not look like we attained personal records but with the conditions the girls played in at a difficult course for girls I was proud. The girls made improvements over the course of the year. The good thing about this group of girls is they are all underclassmen and now know they could be competing for a conference championship next year if they put the time in this Summer."

# 2014-15 School Year Wrap Up

by Mikaela Reth

## August

- MV welcomed Vicky Agromayor and Minnie Chalithbhan into the Wildcat family from abroad and Lukas Wilson, Shanelle Harris, Ryanne Flanagan, Molly Miles, Misha Miles Lawson Wilson, McKenna Wenthe, Paula Wear, Logan Fronatt, Josie Young, Patrick Hansen, Kayleena Wallace, and Rejji Smith from other schools within the state and country as well as Donald Hanson as the new musical director.
- The Wildcats were also elated to welcome Mrs. Besler's son, Ethan, to our ever-expanding family.
- FFA came off of a successful summer, with state fair results including blue ribbons from: Beef Herding Team, Photography Cassie Burkle, Dairy Cattle Madi Gibbs-showmanship award, 3 blues, 1 purple and Junior Champion, Milking Shorthorn, FFA Parade of Champions Qualifier.

## September

- Heather Sabers was voted Student Body President.
- The MV Dairy Judging team won the state title, competed at nationals.

## October

- Homecoming made its mark on yet another year in Wildcat history with the seniors triumphing in Iron Man and Powderpuff and the sophomores winning the float competition.
- Zach Salow was crowned Homecoming King with Heather Sabers as queen.
- The choir put on "MV's Got Talent" for the surrounding community.
- Sra. Ries's daughter, Evelynnn, came into the world and joined the Wildcat family.
- Kristi Goedken competed for the World Food Prize.
- Senior hallway was renovated, having new lockers put in place.

## November

- The Drama team put on *The Wizard of Oz*, selling out two of their three shows.
- The football team was named district champs but was beat out of its undefeated record in second round playoffs to Denver.
- The dairy judging team finished 11th in the nation.
- Nichole Winter, Mikaela Reth, Kinsey Johnson, Tamala Askeland and Bryant Meyer-Kemp attended Loras Honor Band.
- Kinsey Johnson, Whitney Wilson, Riley Sternhagen, Lawson Roof, Amanda Fortman and Nichole Winter attended Kirkwood College's High-Tech Girls Day.
- Morgan Manternach was recognized for All Conference Second Team Volleyball

and Heather Sabers received an honorable mention.

- In all-district football, Ryan Parmely was recognized as most valuable offensive player, Rob Bockenstedt was the most valuable kicker. First team players were Steve Huber, Zach Salow, Trevor Koopmann, Alec McDowell, Curtis Nefzger and Matt Lansing. Second Team players were Kody Orcutt, Chris Hoeger, Derek Salow and Jeremy Fischer. Zak Harbach, Riley Kloser and Kalvin Orcutt received honorable mentions.

## December

- Dance team placed third in hip-hop at state dance.
- Trevor Koopman and Steve Huber each got his 100th pin and Ryan Parmely got his 150th.
- Andrew Palmersheim and Trent Westhoff finished 3rd at the Beef Extravaganza.

## January

- Shaylyn Trenkamp won an Amazon Kindle for her contributions to Iowa Prep Sports.
- Large Group Speech brought the Eagle sailing back home to its nest, advanced 16 groups to State Speech.
- Emily LaGrant, Kristin Brehm, Taylor Guthrie, Riley Sternhagen, Jazz Niehaus, Byrant Meyer-Kemp, Tamala Askeland, Mikaela Reth, Nichole Lucas, and Nichole Winter participated in the Tri-Rivers Honor Band.
- Spanish IV students taught the third and first grade students at Delhi some Spanish.

## February

- Dance team put on Strut Your Stuff
- Zach Salow, Brock Hillers, Brianna Mensen, Megan Mensen, Abby Jay and Erin Digmann were named to the all-conference basketball team.
- Wrestlers took second at conference tournament and sent five people to districts
- Dylan Salow received 1st Gold in Ag Mech Design and Fabrication, Andrew Palmersheim received 2nd Gold in Beef Entrepreneurship, and Kristi Goedken received 2nd Bronze in Ag Communications.
- Speech team earned 13 I ratings at state and sent 3 events to All-State
- Smooth Harmony earned their 16th straight I rating at a home vocal jazz contest
- Taylor Guthrie and Mikaela Reth participated in Wartburg's Meistersinger Honor Band.
- Conference wrestling champs were: Trevor Koopmann, Eric Heims, Steve Huber and Ryan Parmely
- TEL students met with City council to make the Delhi City Park tobacco free.

- Ryan Parmely made MV history by winning first for the second year at state wrestling
- Individual speech also brought the Eagle back home along with 10 Best of Center awards.

## March

- 39/54 individual speech events earned division I ratings at districts, advancing on to state.
- 31 of those speech events earned a Division I at state and 5 went on to All-State.
- Kaleb Kruse was selected for the Star Agribusiness award and was voted a district officer
- All-conference basketball teams included
- NHS inducted new members: Audrey Sheehy, Mikaela Reth, Colin Wendt, Alec McDowell, Clint Krapfl, Amanda Fortman, Nichole Winter, Mikayla Callan and Brianna Mensen
- NHS held its annual blood drive and collected 41 units.
- FFA marked the end of a successful year with its annual banquet. Emily O'Connell delivered the outgoing president's speech.

## April

- 18 solos/ensembles brought home a Division I rating in band and choir at solo/ensemble contest.
- Blake Hogan and Garrett Guetzko gave Hillary Clinton a tour of the manufacturing lab at JREC in Monticello.
- Smooth Harmony finished fifth at the State Vocal Jazz Championships.
- High school students participated in community service projects around the district
- The juniors host prom: Rhapsody in Blue.

## May

- At State FFA convention, Laisee Shakespeare, Cassie Burkle, Alex Richter, Travis Knipper, Andy Huber, Kaleb Handel, Andrew Palmersheim, Kalvin Orcutt, Kaleb Kruse, Ryan Goedken, Kristin Brehm, Kody Orcutt, and Curtis Nefzger earned their Iowa Degree.
- Derek Salow and Zak Harbach are conference track champs.
- The MV drama department presents a series of one-act plays: *Superheroes*, *Selfie*, and *Breaking News*.
- The vocal ensemble of Shaylyn Trenkamp, Taylor Guthrie, Riley Kay Sternhagen and Raven Eatman-Dietiker performed at the Outstanding Performers showcase for earning a Best of Center award at contest.
- Annie Fjelstul and Ashley Holtz were named co-valedictorians.
- Six events qualify for the state track meet.



## MV bids farewell to two students



Only nine months ago, the MV student body opened its arms to Vicky Agromayor from Spain and Minnie Chalisa from Thailand, both of whom stayed with

Chuck and Linda Deutmeyer of Delhi.

Minnie said she most enjoyed her classes, the food, her friends and getting to know Vicky and that's what she'll miss most. She said her best memory is from football season. Along with improving her English skills, she learned more about Americans. Before she came to MV, she thought "everyone was fat, but everyone is normal. The weather is very cold." She was surprised at how hard it was for Americans to understand her Asian accent. Her future plans include coming back to MV to graduate and then attend a college here. She also wants to learn to drive.

Vicky's future plans are a bit less concrete. When she returns to Spain, she has to take her senior exit test which will tell her what college options she has in Spain. Another option is to return to Iowa and attend Luther College or Wartburg College to study communications/graphic arts.

Vicky said she will miss everything about MV. "Everyone is so nice and made it easy to adapt to because everyone was so friendly and talked to me," she said. She said she will miss all of the extra-curricular activities that are offered at school (they are not offered in schools in Spain). Her best memories include times in sports, speech and vocal jazz as well as prom.

Vicky said she's learned a lot while being here besides improving her English. "I'm more outgoing and learned a different type of studying." She said education in Spain focuses on taking notes and listening while she found American education involves practical usage of knowledge. She also learned that not all Americans are overweight. She claims she had a positive impression of the United States before coming here, and she wasn't disappointed. "People here are so generous, open and helpful."

She leaves some parting advice: travel. "Become open-minded and learn about the rest of the world."

Minnie and Vicky will leave Delhi May 25.

## Hall Smarts

by Emily LaGrant

This week's hall smarts is a bit harder than usual. It's been awhile since middle school geography so let's see how much these students remember. The contestants are: Mitch Neuzil, Destiny Claybourne, Taylor Guthrie and Mr. Huegel.



1) Kathmandu is the capital of what country?

Mitch: Nepal

Destiny: Nepal

Taylor: Nepal

Mr. Huegel: Nepal

A: Nepal

2) What is the only city to sit on more than one continent?

Mitch: Constantinople

Destiny: I don't know

Taylor: New Zealand

Mr. Huegel: Istanbul

A: Istanbul

3) What is the most populous city in the world?

Mitch: Mexico City

Destiny: Shanghai

Taylor: Tokyo

Mr. Huegel: Beijing

A: Tokyo (37 million)

4) How many countries make up the UK?

Mitch: 4

Destiny: 40

Taylor: 4

Mr. Huegel: 5

A: 4

5) What mountain range separates Europe and Asia?

Mitch: I don't know

Destiny: The Alps

Taylor: Himalayas

Mr. Huegel: I don't know

A: Ural Mountains

The winner this week was Taylor with a score of 3. Mr. Huegel and Mitch tied for second with 2 points. Destiny received last with 1 point. Looks like these questions were harder than I thought. Some people need to step up their game \*cough\* Mr. Huegel \*cough\*. Better luck next time, Wildcats!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of May 18, 2015

MONDAY, May 18, 2015

1. Drivers' Ed Class - HS Auditorium - 7:00 AM until 8:00 AM

2. HS V Girls Regional Golf at Backbone Golf Course, Strawberry Point - 10 AM (Van Leaves at 8:35 AM)

3. MV School Board of Directors' Meeting - Middle School Conference Room - 5:00 PM

TUESDAY, May 19, 2015

1. Drivers' Ed Class - HS Auditorium - 7:00 AM until 8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, May 20, 2015

1. Drivers' Ed Class - HS Auditorium - 7:00 AM until 8:00 AM

THURSDAY, May 21, 2015

1. Drivers' Ed Class - HS Auditorium - 7:00 AM until 8:00 AM

2. HS State Girls and Boys

Track Meet in Des Moines

FRIDAY, May 22, 2015

1. Drivers' Ed Class - HS Auditorium - 7:00 AM until 8:00 AM

2. Last Day of School - Snow

Make-Up Day for March 3

3. EARLY DISMISSAL - 1:05

5. HS State Girls and Boys

Track Meet in Des Moines

SATURDAY, May 23, 2015

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Track Meet in Des Moines

## The Cat Box

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



A meow to the Accounting class juniors who are making the most of their last days of class by collecting school supplies for Haiti.



A thankful meow to all of the DFS board members and donors for providing scholarships to MV seniors.



A grateful meow from the speech and drama coaches/directors to the students for the thoughtful gifts but more importantly for sharing in their success and talents.



An appreciative meow from the Echo adviser to the Echo staff and faculty/friends of the staff for their contributions to the newspaper this year. These words and pictures live on. It's work that matters in ways we may not even know yet.



# Drama and speech department celebrates students' success

The speech and drama department celebrated its success last Friday night at its annual awards night.

Students were presented certificates and medals for their participation and achievements.

Special recognition was given to acknowledge exceptional efforts.

Those receiving special recognition for their work with The Wizard of Oz were (pictured at right) Audrey Sheehy, Matthew Lansing, Zach Smith, Vicky Agromayor, Greg Guetzko, Mikaela Reth, Heather Sabers, Taylor Guthrie, Annie Fjelstul, Megan McNamara, Gabriella Guetzko, Tana Guetzko and Patrick Hansen.

Awards for the spring one-act plays went to (pictured at far right) Shaylyn Trenkamp, Emily LaGrant, Macy Anderegg, Megan Beaman and Emily Krapfl (not pictured).

Defining Performance Awards are presenting to adults who have gone above and beyond to help the department. This year's recipients are Joe Hoeger, Susan Severt, and Brenda and Rick Becker.

Seniors and their parents were also recognized, and Mrs. DeVore shared an original poem with them.

A dessert bar concluded the event.



## Seniors recognized at baccalaureate and DFS awards ceremony



Above: Award winners at the Dollars for Scholars ceremony pose for a picture Sunday. DFS awarded \$53,000 in scholarships to the class.

Above left: Derek and Dylan Salow address the crowd Sunday afternoon at baccalaureate. Baccalaureate featured student speakers, a message from local clergy and music. This religious event was organized by senior class members.

Left: Mr. Hadley accompanies seniors Vicky Agromayor, Savannah Salow and Matthew Lansing during a musical selection.



# Awards presented to the class of 2015

Vicky Agromayor, Honor Student, Dollars for Scholars

Mindy Burkle, Dollars for Scholars

Mary Feldmann, Dollars for Scholars, Kirkwood Academy

Medallion, National Career Readiness

Silver Level Certificate

Annie Fjelstul, Valedictorian, KWWL Best of the Class

Representative, Dollars for Scholars,

Governor's Scholars Recognition Participant, Bright

Scholars of Iowa Scholarship, Maquoketa Valley

Athletic Academic Honors Award

Kelsey Gearhart, Dollars for Scholars

Greg Guetzko, Dollars for Scholars, Dollars for Scholars,

Delaware County Pork Producers Scholarship,

Gary (Otis) Helmrichs Scholarship

Olivia Hill, Dollars for Scholars

Chris Hoeger, Dollars for Scholars

Tiffany Hoeger, Honor Student, Dollars for Scholars, Dela-

ware County Farm Bureau Scholarship,

Maquoketa Valley Senior Athletic Participation Silver

Award

Ashley Holtz, Valedictorian, Dollars for Scholars, Des

Moines Register Academic All-State Nominee,

Maquoketa Valley Senior Athletic Participation Silver

Award

Steve Huber, Honor Student, Dollars for Scholars, Maquo-

keta Valley Athletic Academic Honors Award,

Maquoketa Valley Senior Athletic Participation Gold

Award

Abby Jay, Dollars for Scholars, Iowa Business Education

Association Outstanding Business Student Award

Tyler Kampman, National Career Readiness Silver Level

Certificate

Riley Kloser, Dollars for Scholars, Maquoketa Valley Se-

nior Athletic Participation Silver Award

Trevor Koopmann, Dollars for Scholars

Matthew Lansing, Dollars for Scholars, Delaware County

Dairy Council Scholarship, James & Frances Shover Me-

memorial 4-H Scholarship

Bailey Lubben, Honor Student, Dollars for Scholars, Iowa

Business Education Association Outstanding

Business Student Award, University of Northern Iowa

Distinguished Scholar Award

Morgan Manternach, Dollars for Scholars, Maquoketa

Valley Senior Athletic Participation Silver Award

Mike Mast, Dollars for Scholars

Cassie McIntyre, Dollars for Scholars, Kirkwood Academy

Medallion, National Career Readiness Gold

Level Certificate

Curtis Nefzger, Dollars for Scholars

Emily O'Connell, Dollars for Scholars, Delaware County

Farm Bureau Scholarship

Kody Orcutt, Dollars for Scholars

Ryan Parmely, Dollars for Scholars, Maquoketa Valley

Senior Athletic Participation Gold Award,

Wrestling USA Magazine High School All-American Team,

Dan Gable "Mr. Wrestler" Finalist

Mikaela Reth, Dollars for Scholars

Heather Sabers, Honor Student, Dollars for Scholars,

Iowa Bar Association American Citizenship Award, Delhi

Lions Club Scholarship, Maquoketa Valley Senior Athletic

Participation Gold Award, University of Northern Iowa

Distinguished Scholar Award

Derek Salow, Honor Student, Dollars for Scholars, Mercy

Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship, Regional

Medical Center Auxiliary Scholarship, Manchester Ma-

sonic Lodge Scholarship, Delaware County Fish &

Game Scholarship, Bernie Saggau Award, Maquoketa Val-

ley Athletic Academic Honors Award

Dylan Salow, Honor Student, Dollars for Scholars, Delhi

Lions Club Scholarship, Delaware County Fish & Game

Scholarship, Maquoketa Valley Athletic Academic Honors

Award

Savannah Salow, Dollars for Scholars, Kirkwood Academy

Medallion, National Career Readiness Gold

Level Certificate

Zach Salow, Dollars for Scholars, Maquoketa Valley Senior

Athletic Participation Silver Award

Jordan Schindler, Iowa Business Education Association

Outstanding Business Student Award

Audrey Sheehy, Dollars for Scholars

Zach Smith, Dollars for Scholars

Ben Thompson, Dollars for Scholars

Clay Willenbring, Dollars for Scholars, Delaware County

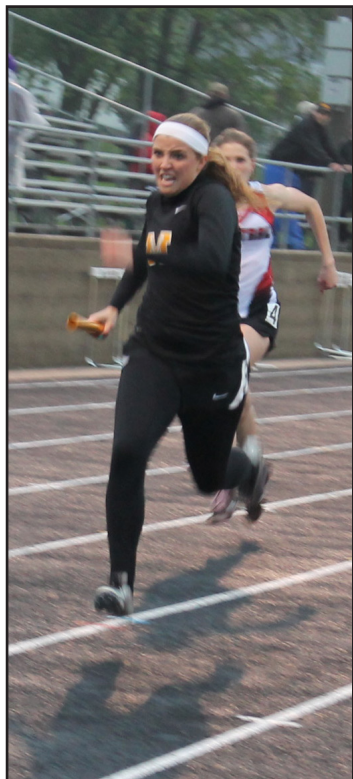
Pork Producers Scholarship





**Left: Brock Hillers flies through the third leg of the shuttle hurdle relay last Thursday night.**

**Below: Stretching over a hurdle in the third leg of her race was Cassiddy Wilson. Wilson's team placed second in the shuttle hurdle relay last Thursday night and qualified for state with a time of 1:12.77.**



**Far left: Heather Sabers sprints the second leg of the 4x200 meter relay last week and qualifies for running on the blue at state track.**

**Left: Morgan Manternach strengthens her lead in the final stretch of the 4x200 meter relay at the District Qualifying Meet. Manternach's team was named district champions with a time of 1:52.83.**



**Senior Derek Salow kicks off the 4x800 meter relay in less than ideal weather conditions. Salow individually qualified for state with a time of 2:04.74 in the 800 meter run. (photo by Lesa Parmely)**

**Brendon Hogan finishes the 4x800 meter relay last week at Ed-Co. Hogan's team finished second in the District Qualifying Meet with a time of 8:44.58. (photos by Shaylyn Trenkamp)**

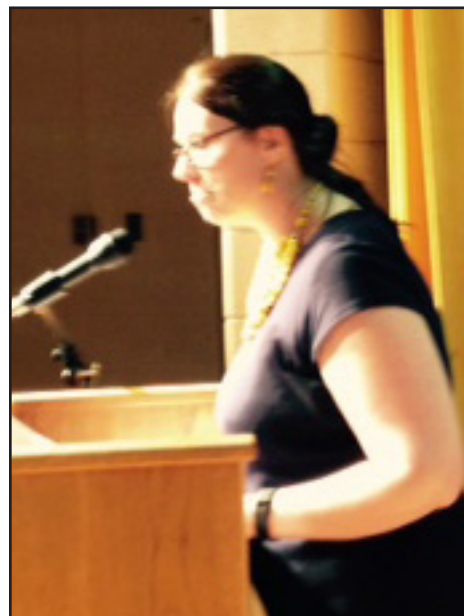




## Random pictures that didn't fit anywhere else in this issue...



The floriculture team with their ribbons presented by district officer Kaleb Kruse.



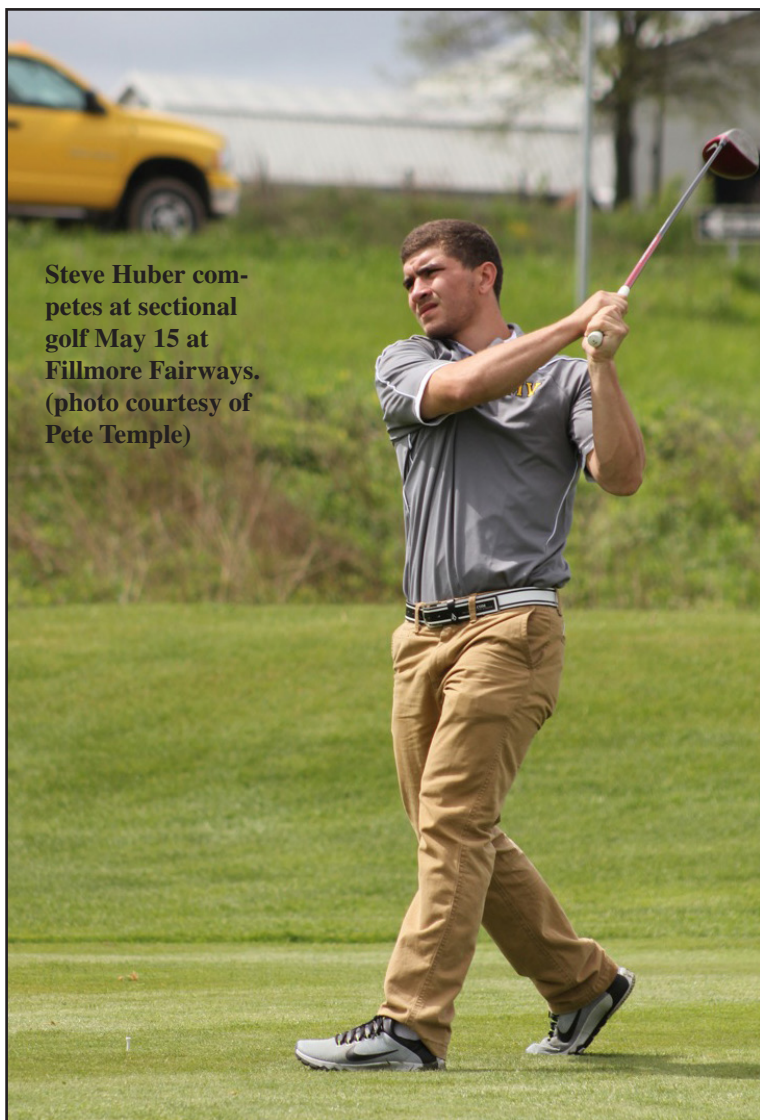
Mrs. DeVore shares her original poem with the speech/drama seniors, reminding them of the power of their voice.



Baccalaureate



Father Kramer accepts the Five-Star award at graduation.



Steve Huber competes at sectional golf May 15 at Fillmore Fairways. (photo courtesy of Pete Temple)