

Wildcat Echo

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Learning outside the school's walls

Interior Design trip

by Chance Downs

Last Thursday October 6th Mrs. Downs' Interior Design class went on a field trip to the historic Walter Home formerly known as Cedar Rock.

Located just north of Quasqueton, this home is definitely one of our local hidden treasures. What makes this house so special? It was designed and built by the famous architect Frank Lloyd Wright. The wealthy Walter Family, who gained their riches through the asphalt business, commissioned the world famous architect to build their new home with just a simple letter. The house in itself is a site to see. Wright implemented the latest and new construction ideas as well as his own unique never-before seen designs. The result was something that looked almost space age and futuristic. The house placement was another idea of brilliance as well. Built on the crest of a hill, the Cedar Rock home provides an outlook of both up and down the Wapsipinicon River.

But visiting this amazing house wasn't all they did. The day started out in Manchester to look at the several housing types of the downtown area. Several different styles and designs were recognized such as the Victorian Style and Italianate.

The whole trip was a true eye-opening experience, and on behalf of the whole class, we will never look at houses the same way again.

Job shadow

Angela Wendt job shadowed Keith Kramer at F&M Bank last week. Mrs. Spellerberg has arranged about 70 job shadows for this fall.

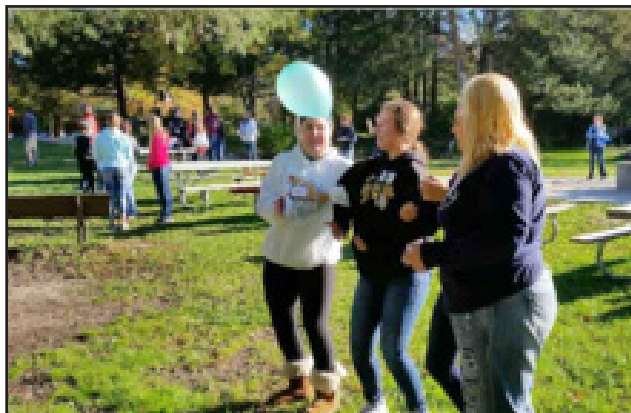


The Interior Design class toured the Frank Lloyd Wright home in Quasqueton. They studied both the interior and exterior of the house.

Advanced Manufacturing trip



TEL



Above: Several students participated in the advanced manufacturing tours at Henderson Products, XL Specialized Trailers, and Rockwell Collins today. These tours provided a lot of valuable information regarding career opportunities within Delaware County. Right: TEL students participated in a training at EWALU last week.

Volleyball team defeats CVC, North Linn, Alburnett

The Maquoketa Valley Wildcat Volleyball teams were busy again last week.

Last Tuesday, the volleyball teams travelled to Cedar Valley Christian. The junior varsity team won their match 2 sets to 0, with set scores of 21-11 and 21-16. The varsity started off with a first set loss 20-25. The team then rallied back with victories in the next 3 sets with scores of 25-20, 25-11, and 25-18 to win the match 3 sets to 1.

"This was an interesting match," stated Coach Holtz. "In the first set we struggled with Cedar Valley Christian's gym as it has a lower ceiling height and is smaller than the girls are used to playing in. The girls adjusted well after the first set."

Maci Freiburger had 4 kills, 19 of 24 serving with 7 aces and had 13 digs. Payton Ries led the kill department with 8, was 8 of 9 serving and had 4 digs with 1 block assist. Macy Hoeger had 6 kills, 13 of 14 serving with 1 ace and 15 digs on the night. Brianna Mensen had 5 kills, was 8 of 8 serving with 1 ace, 3 digs, 1 solo block and 1 block assist. Brooke Wilson

also added 5 kills, 1 dig and 1 solo block. Abby Holtz had 10 assists, 13 of 14 serving with 2 aces and 2 digs. Danica Fjelstul had 2 kills, 2 digs and 2 block assists. Lea Ries had 14 assists with 17 of 19 serving with 2 aces and 3 digs. Aspen Britt had 9 digs and 1 service ace.

Last Thursday night, the last regular season home match, the Wildcats hosted the North Linn Lynx. It was Senior Night with the senior players and their parents being recognized between the Junior Varsity and Varsity matches. The seniors recognized were Aspen Britt with parents Jay & Angie Britt, Mikayla Callan with parents Bob Callan and Amy Bruggeman, Danica Fjelstul with parents Scott Fjelstul and Brandi Fjelstul, Brianna Mensen with parents Mike & Sandy Mensen, Lea Ries with parents Jim & Amy Ries, Caitlin Schuman with parents Cathy Schuman, special friend Brad Sanford and the late Ron Schuman, and Angela Wendt with parents Evan & Diane Wendt. These seniors were recognized for their great leadership and dedication over the years to the Maquoketa Valley Wildcat Volleyball program.

The Wildcats swept the Lynx at all three levels. The fresh/soph team won 2 sets to 1 with set scores of 15-6, 6-15, and 15-13. The Junior Varsity won in 2 sets 21-8 and 21-11. The Varsity was victorious in 3 sets with scores of 25-19, 25-9, and 25-16.

"I felt the girls played well and took control of the matches at all levels," stated Coach Holtz. "It was a fun night of volleyball and was also a great night to honor our seniors."

Abby Holtz had a great night serving 21 of 21 serves with 6 aces and 9 assists. Lea Ries served 15 of 17 with 5 aces and 4 assists. Brianna Mensen had 7 kills, 1 ace, 1 solo block and 1 block assist, and 1 dig. Macy Hoeger had 4 kills, 10 of 10 serving with 1 ace, 1 block, 1 block assist



Abby Holtz sets up a play against North Linn last week. (photos courtesy of MV Athletic Boosters)



Seniors Danica Fjelstul and Brianna Mensen go up for a block against the Lynx last week.

Football team prepares to take on North Cedar

The team plans to attack tonight's game at North Cedar after coming off of a 21-41 loss to Jesup last Friday night at home. "We need to use our athletic abilities to get through the line because their line is slower," said senior captain Eric Heims. "We need to be disciplined throughout the game."

This week at practice looked a

little different than other weeks. To shake things up a bit, the players practiced with minimal pads two nights.

The team earned its points with a touchdown pass to Zak Harbach and two quarterback sneaks by Tyson Tucker. Emilio Granados made good on the three PATs.

and 2 digs. Payton Ries had 4 kills, 10 of 10 serving with 1 ace, 3 digs, 1 solo block and 1 block assist. Brooke Wilson added 2 kills, 2 digs and 1 solo block. Danica Fjelstul had 1 kill and 1 solo block. Aspen Britt had 5 digs while Caitlin Schuman had 3 digs. Madison Imler and Angie Wendt had 1 dig each.

Tuesday, the Wildcats defeated Alburnett and finished the week with the Tri-Rivers Conference Tournament that started Thursday night and concludes on Saturday.

The Cats defeated Alburnett Tuesday night 3-1 with scores of 25-20, 25-17, 23-25 and 25-16.

From the serving line, Payton Ries was 18 for 19 while Macy Hoeger was 17 for 19 with an ace. Abby Holtz was 11 for 13 with three aces.

Maci Freiburger led in kills with 11. She also led in blocks with four.

Lea Ries had 13 assists while Abby Holtz had 12 assists.

In last night's conference tournament action, MV went 3-0, defeating, North Linn, Central City and East Buchanan. They will play Saturday at 10:00am at Springville against Calamus-Wheatland.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Jordyn Kemp & Shelby March

Jordyn Kemp
final draft

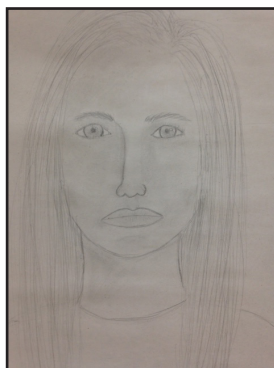


Jordyn, what do you enjoy most about Drawing? The thing I enjoy most about drawing is the potential to do so much with something that is so little. For example, I could take a face and make it a caricature.

You were nominated because of your outstanding work on your self-portrait. What artistic skills did you use to create it? I made the eyes a bit bigger to exaggerate feminine traits.

What was the hardest part of it? Trying to use light lines instead of darker, more precise lines. We're re-tracing this with pen later as well, so I can't blend as I'm used to. **If you could work on any art project, what would it be?** Etching something into a mirror.

Shelby March
preliminary draft



Shelby, What do you enjoy most about Drawing? I enjoy recreating what I see and how relaxing it is.

You were nominated because of your outstanding work on your portrait.

What artistic skills did you use to create it? We started with contour drawings, so working on shading, and are now working our way to cross hatching.

What was the hardest part of it? The hardest part is making everything the same on both sides of the face.

If you could work on any art project, what would it be? M. C. Escher's Drawing hands

Fine Artists of the Week

Name: Alex Digman
Activity: Fall musical

What role do you play in the musical? Ike Skidmore

What's your favorite part of the show? Doing a lot of heavy lifting.

What's your favorite memory from rehearsals?

Learning a dance for the first time and how awkward I was.

If you could play any role in any musical, what would it be? The scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz*.

How has participating in the musical affected you? This is my first year doing musical and I must say that dancing (especially with extensive footwork) has helped me in football and put elegance in my step.



Name: Hunter Glass
Activity: Fall musical

What role do you play in the musical? I play a cowboy, and I am also

Curly in the Dream Sequence.

What's your favorite part of the show? My favorite part is the all of the dances we have.

What's your favorite memory from rehearsals? I think the whole experience is a great memory itself, you get to know so many people and you have so much fun. You make so many memories, it's hard to just pick one, so the whole thing is my favorite memory.

If you could play any role in any musical, what would it be? I actually really like my part, because I can do a lot with it, and make my character my own, not what the book says.

How has participating in the musical affected you? Musical has shown me how to take constructive criticism, and it also showed me that getting a small part isn't as bad as it seems. You can do a lot with a small part and you can have a lot of fun interacting in the back ground and your character.



Athletes of the Week

Name: Kristin Lucas
Sport: Cross country

What do you enjoy most about cross country? I love the feeling of accomplishment after a run and

when I improve. I also love the atmosphere of the team. We motivate and help each other. We know we can depend on each other.

How do you mentally prepare for a meet? I go into the meet telling myself that I am going to PR. It helps push me and keeps me positive.

What's your personal goal for this season? My goal for the season was simply to improve, and I accomplished that by a lot. My pace has become more consistent and my overall time is faster.

Why should students go out for cross country? Cross country makes you stronger, physically and mentally. It's hard work, but the feeling of accomplishment after improving makes it worth it.

Who's your cross country role model? Coach is my role model. He always is motivating me to improve and he knows what he's talking about.



Name: Alex McCusker
Sport: Cross country

What do you enjoy most about cross country? My mom bringing the team and me snacks to every meet.

How do you mentally prepare for a meet? I just think about the race and everything Coach has taught me.

What's your personal goal for this season? Not to get beat by Mitchell Neuzil.

Why should students go out for cross country? Because Coach Meehan is an amazing coach.

Who's your cross country role model? Cassi Wilson (Baby Douglas) because she is very good at running and is motivated to do her best every race and goes 110% during practice.



Meet the Freshmen



Emma, Rylie, Allie & Jake

Name: Emma Hill

Siblings: Bekah, Olivia, Katie, Elizabeth, Jordan

Activities you plan to be in: Musical, Play, Speech, Golf

Favorite subject: English

Career aspirations: Speech Therapist

Hobbies: playing with my nephew, volleyball

Something cool about you: I make everyone around me laugh.

Name: Rylie Aldrich

Siblings: Peyton (brother)

Activities you plan to be in: Softball

Favorite subject: Lit and English

Career aspirations: X-ray tech or occupational therapist.

Hobbies: love to play sports, love to be with my cousins and friends

Something cool about you: I love to ski.

Name: Jake Hosmer

Siblings: Josh Malinowski

Activities you plan to be in: Choir

Favorite subject: Choir

Career aspirations: Graphic Designer, Youtuber

Hobbies: building legos, going over to Nick's, artwork

Something cool about you: I can draw really well if it is something I like.

Name: Allie Knipper

Siblings: Erin and Dylan

Activities you plan to be in: Speech, Musical, Volleyball, Track/Golf, Softball

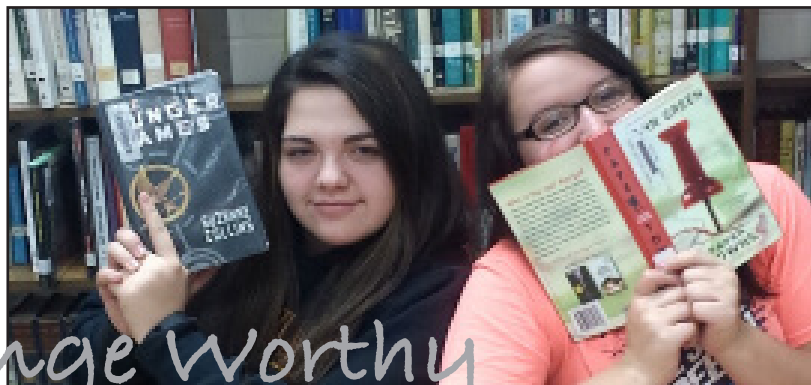
Favorite subject: English

Career aspirations: Teacher, Dental Hygienist, Medical Coder

Hobbies: Sports, swimming

Something cool about you: I smile a lot!

—typist: Maddie Lahr



Binge Worthy

Rebekah & Amanda:

The Raven Boys by Maggie Stiefvater-This is definitely a favor book for both of us. After we read this book for book club both of us fell in love with the characters, plot, and setting. Blue Sargent isn't your small town girl. She comes from a long line of psychics that deal strictly with the supernatural. Ever since she was little she was warned that she would be the cause of her true love's death. As her fate crosses with that of Gansey, a rich student at the local private school, she becomes more worried that this prophecy might come true sooner than she expected. As she is sucked into the world of the Raven Boys, she must balance the real world and this new world of the supernatural.

Rebekah:

Beauty and the Beast: As a modern Beauty and the Beast is getting ready to be released, I would just like to take some time to show how amazing this movie is. Belle is one of my favorite Disney princesses. She is smart and has a mind of her own, she won't let anyone tell her what to do. As Belle gets to know the Beast, she realizes that he has a good heart underneath all of his hatred. Amazing songs and funny characters. One of my favorite Disney movies.

Tammy: Melissa McCarthy is by far one of the funniest actresses around today. Any movie or show that she is in is automatically hilarious. After several bad things happen to Tammy, she decides to take her life in a new direction. Her and her grandma, who is sick, embark on the adventure of a lifetime. Sometimes things go their way, but more often than not they have multiple bumps in the road. A must see if you are in for a good laugh.

Psych: Psych is back on ION TV, and I don't think anyone realizes how happy this makes me. Shawn Spencer and Burton Guster start their own business and help the local police department solve cases. Shawn pretends that he is a psychic and Gus is his sidekick. The hilarious duo does everything together. The show is full of laughs, drama, and love. I recommend this show to everyone!

Amanda:

Vampire Diaries: Season 7 just hit Netflix and OMG. It was so good. I think I finished watching it in 2 days. Now this is a show I have been watching from the beginning and this is probably one of my favorite seasons. Mystic falls has been taken over by the Heretics. This brings a whole host of to our favorite vampires. As the season flashes back and forth between present and three years later, we see the story unfold. And the story keeps you gasping at every turn.

RV: This movie is hilarious and is one that the whole family can enjoy together. I don't think there was ever a time that I wasn't entertained. Bob Munro has a perfect life even though his family is a bit dysfunctional. After being offered the job opportunity of a lifetime, he cancels his family trip to Hawaii and plans a road trip to the Colorado Rockies. Along their trip one thing after another seems to go wrong until this trip became on that they will never forget.

Prodigy by Marie Lu: In this epic sequel to Legend, we follow Day and June as they are trying to escape the Republic. June is wanted as a Traitor to her country and Day is dealing with the death of his brother caused by Day's actions. They are in need of desperate help if they want to survive. The Patriots is their last option and they will do anything to leave behind their old lives.

Best Buds



Megan Beaman & Hunter Glass
by Maddie Lahr

How long have you been friends?

Since the beginning of time.

How did you become friends?

Head start... Idk.

What is your snap streak?

One didn't respond and the streak was gone.

That's what being a Wildcat is all about

what's up?

If you could have one meal for the rest of your life, what would you eat?

by McKenzie Lansing

Rebekah Hill: Sausage and Mushroom pizza

Rejji Smith: Chef Salad

Brooke Elgin: Canadian Bacon and Pine-apple Pizza

Carson Wright: Chicken and Broccoli Alfredo

Emma Hill: Pizza

Ty Domeyer: Steak

Tyson Tucker: Pizza Ranch Buffet

Michael Feldmann: Subway

Mrs. Richter: Pizza

Garrett Hogan: Tater tot casserole or goulash

Carter Hildebrand: Steak

Abby Holtz: Backpack Boneless Honey

BBQ wings from B-Dubs

Aspen Britt: Spaghetti or chocolate cake

Raven Eatman-Dietiker: Chicken nuggets

Eric Heims: Hamburgers

Selena Ramirez: French fries

Brain Teaser

by Mason Lubben

Two girls were born to the same mother, on the same day, at the same time, in the same month and year and yet they're not twins.

How can this be?

Answer: they were triplets

Saving lives



Nurse Mary has once again led CPR training for the seniors. Throughout the week, students learned how to perform CPR on adults and children as well as how to use the AED. Above: Nurse Mary observes while Jacob Bonert practices on the AED. Ethan Ottaway and Dalton Becker await their turn.



A special shoutout goes out to Cole Kruse, Clint Krapfl, Andy O'Connell, Heath Gibbs, Eric Heims, Bobby Blair, Kyle Wilson and Robert Hildebrand who gave up some of their time during Homecoming week to help the Moencks pack up boxes and move them to a storage unit. "I was super appreciative of their help -- not only did they come when Coach Moenck asked, but they gave up time during their Homecoming week to help us. It just shows great character and how Wildcats really are there for each other," stated Mrs. Moenck.

The Cat Box Hall Smarts

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



An appreciative meow to the NHS members who held a bake sale at a volleyball game last week to raise funds for the American Cancer Society.



A meow to the athletes who are exhibiting a growth mindset and using each practice to get better. Scores and times don't tell the full story.



A meow to the excitement of Hispanic Heritage month. The chips and salsa, the siesta, the signs around school -- bueno, bueno, bueno!



A meow to the boys cross country team for its second place finish at the conference meet last night. Look in next week's issue for details!



A meow to Kwik Stop for its amazing breakfast sandwiches.



A meow to Sra. Huegel for picking out Mr. Huegel's clothes. :)



A furball to the interruption in learning that MAP testing causes.



A meow to the intercom working again!



A meow to the start of ticket sales on Monday for *Oklahoma*. Stop in the office with your \$5 to get your ticket for Nov. 4-6.



A meow to the volleyball team who went 3-0 last night to advance to Saturday's final tournament.

Birthday Shoutouts!

by **Chance Downs**

It's never too early or too late to tell a fellow classmate Happy Birthday!

This week's birthdays are:

10/9- Kyle Richter

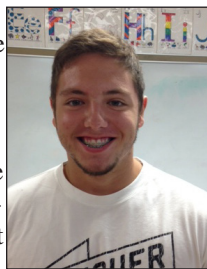
10/11- Chance Downs, Cassidy Schwandt

10/14- Alex Elgin

10/15-James Blair

by **Brody Severt**

We all love the faculty at Maquoketa Valley. So this week's topic for Hall Smarts is All About Teachers. We have outstanding teachers who care a lot about us, so let's see what we know about those teachers. This week's contestants are Josie Young, Chad Neuzil, Alec McDowell and Shelby March



Which teacher served in the military?

Josie: Mr. Dunlap

Chad: Mr. Dunlap

Alec: Mr. Dunlap

Shelby: Mr. Dunlap

Answer: Mr. Dunlap

Which teacher is expecting a baby?

Josie: Mrs. Besler

Chad: Mrs. Besler

Alec: Mrs. Besler

Shelby: Mrs. Besler

Answer: Mrs. Besler

How many years has Señora Ries taught here?

Josie: 8

Chad: 7

Alec: 6 years

Shelby: 7 or 8

Answer: 8 years

Which teacher walks three miles a night?

Josie: Mr. Cassutt

Chad: Mrs. Ries

Alec: Mr. Drew

Shelby: Mr. Cassutt

Answer: Mr. Drew

Which teachers carpool?

Josie: Mrs. Lewin and Mrs. Spellerberg

Chad: Mr. Huegel and Mr. Cassutt

Alec: DeVores

Shelby: The DeVores

Answer: The DeVores

Totals: Josie: 3 Chad: 2 Alec: 4 Shelby: 3.5

This week's winner was senior Wildcat Alec McDowell. Good job to this week's contestants. Some of these questions were pretty tricky. Well that's all I have for you this week. Have fun and we'll see you in next week's issue of Hall Smarts.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of Oct. 17, 2016

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016 - Boss' Day

1. Grades 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th doing MAP Testing - HS/MS Library & Computer Labs - ALL WEEK
2. MV School Board Meeting - MS. Conference Room - 6:00 PM
3. MV 7-12 Vocal Music Concert - St. John's Catholic Church, Delhi - 7:00 PM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016 - wear PINK for Breast Cancer Awareness Month

1. MV HS FFA to National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN (Tuesday through Saturday)
2. HS 1st Round Regional Volleyball - HOME - MV vs Alburnett - 7:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016

1. 6th Grade Presentation by Karelene Sellner - Mrs. Jurgen's Room # 311 - 7th Hour
2. HS Juniors doing PSAT Testing - HS Library - 8:05 AM
3. 7th & 8th Homework Assistance - MS Room 308 with Mrs. Rudd - After School until 4:00 PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016

1. Deadline for November Newsletter Articles - Please Send to Sue Kramer at Johnston Elementary
2. JH Band to Tri-Rivers Conference Honor Band Festival at N.L. (Van Leaves @ Noon) Concert a 7:00 PM
3. HS CC State Qualifying Meet - Noelridge Park, Cedar Rapids - 4:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 2:00 PM)
4. HS JV Football - HOME - Bellevue - One JV Game - 5:00 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2016

1. HS V Football - HOME - Bellevue - One V Game - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2016

1. All-State Music Auditions at West Delaware HS in Manchester - 9:00 AM (Van Leaves at 8:00 AM)
2. FUNdamental Basketball Camp for Grades 2nd - 6th - MS Multi-Purpose Room - 8:30 AM

Choir presents fall concert Monday

by Lawson Roof

Along with pumpkin spice lattes and cozy sweaters, the fall concert makes its annual return on Monday, Oct. 17. The concert will be held at St. John's Catholic Church in Delhi at 7:00p.m, and as always, it is free to get in!

The 7-12 choirs will be performing. This includes the middle school's mixed, girls', and boys' choirs, and the HS mixed concert choir. Unlike many other concerts, this one does not have a theme, so attendees will hear a wide variety of music.

Mrs. Mueller commented, "We have a very nice, eclectic set of music. Anyone who comes will hear something they like." Mrs. Mueller has also hired a cellist from UNI to play on one of the high school's songs, "Don't Be Seen."

"I think people will really like 'Earth Song'," junior Hannah Clemen



The girls choir re-hearses a song for Monday night's concert.

added, "but we have a lot of different songs that I think everyone will enjoy!"

Many others commented that if you haven't gotten the chance to attend a concert at St. John's, this is an opportunity you shouldn't miss! St. Johns is one

of my favorite places to sing, and I know that many others who attend our concerts at St. Johns love the experience. As I stated earlier, the fall concert is free. We would love if you would come and support your school's music department!

Cross country athletes hitting their stride

by Kelly Winter

The regular cross country season is coming to an end as the Maquoketa Valley Cross Country teams competed last Saturday, Oct. 8 at North Linn High School. Last night the runners competed the conference meet, and next week they will run at districts.

At North Linn, the JV boys came in 13th overall, while the Varsity Boys got 16th. The girls teams weren't included in the overalls.

Individual Scores:

Varsity Girls

Nichole Winter- 24:03, 120th

Cassy Wilson- 22:37, 94th

Varsity Boys

Derek Mensen- 18:55, 105th

Chance Downs- 17:43, 40th

Tate Trenkamp- 18:35, 85th

Brenden Hogan- 17:36, 33rd

Mason Lubben- 18:56, 106th

Bryant Meyer-Kemp- 20:23, 141st

JV Girls

Kristin Lucas- 28:53, 113th

Maddie Lahr- 35:53, 131st

JV Boys

Canyon Richardson- 20:51, 61st

Jon Seibert- 21:48, 80th

Cody Gibbs- 21:16, 73rd

Chad Neuzil- 23:43, 103rd

Alex McCusker- 21:03, 68th

Mitch Neuzil- 24:06, 105th



Brenden Hogan was MV's top finisher last Saturday at North Linn. (photo courtesy of Pete Temple, Monticello Express)

Results from last night's meet will be in next week's newsletter. Go congratulate everyone and their accomplishments, but especially the Varsity Boys since they beat a ranked team last Saturday! The next cross country meet will be at Districts Oct. 20 with the Varsity runners competing. Good luck!

¡Buen provecho!



In recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Spanish IV students hosted a luncheon this week featuring tacos, soup and other *comidas deliciosas*.

