

## Speech & Drama awards night held

Patrick Hansen, Lawson Roof, Megan Beaman and Angel Rumbo were recognized May 12 at the speech and drama awards night as outstanding actors in the fall musical.



On May 12, students, parents, coaches and directors celebrated the success of those involved in the speech and drama programs.

Medals and certificates were given to large group and individual event speech students.

Outstanding performances in the fall musical and spring play were also recognized.

### *Awards for the fall musical, Oklahoma*

Outstanding Actresses: Lawson Roof and Megan Beaman

Outstanding Actors: Patrick Hansen and Angel Rumbo

Outstanding Supporters to the Musical: Susan Severt, Pam Overman, Tana Guetzko and Bill Severt

Outstanding Choreographer: Katilyn Deutmeyer

Outstanding Dance Captains: Brittany Hines, Rebekah Hill and Faith Hunt

Outstanding Stage Director: Eric Heims  
Outstanding Supporting Actresses: Cassidy Wilson, Amanda Fortman and Hunter Glass

Outstanding Supporting Actors: Jake Jones, Alex Digman and Alex McCusker

### *Awards for the spring play Game of Tiaras*

Cast Choice - Best Actor: Alex McCusker as Smeagol

Cast Choice - Best Actor: Taylor White as Dwarf 1

Directors Choice - Best Actor: Kristin Lucas as Cinderella

Directors Choice - Best Actor: Katilyn Deutmeyer as Blood Packet Girl

Rising Star Award: Mason Lubben

Rock Star Awards: Megan Beaman, Hannah Clemen, Hunter Glass, Brenden Hogan, Faith Hunt, Maddie Lahr, Mason Lubben, Emma McDowell, Maddy Naab, Chloe Roling, Lucas Rumbo, Kiesha Stelken and Kelly Winter

Defining Performance Awards were given to Erika Imler and Mr. Hadley for their contributions to the speech and drama programs.

A dessert buffet followed awards.

*2017-18 Dance Squad  
Announced  
Kiesha Stelken  
Kaela Chesnut  
Katilyn Deutmeyer  
Hannah Lahr  
Kara Leibold  
Madison McIntyre  
Izabel Niehaus  
Megan Rausch  
Allie Dunn  
Annisten Trenkamp  
Alternate: Kailene Chen*

## Graduation ceremony held for 51 seniors



**Zach Cornell receives his diploma from school board member Mike Feldmann.**

Although the weather was stormy and water crept into the lower hallway, smiles abounded during commencement exercises Wednesday night where 51 seniors earned their high school diploma.

The threat of dangerous weather sent guests to the locker rooms for a few minutes for protection, but after that a celebratory mood followed.

Speakers for the night were Student Council president Amanda Fortman, valedictorians Nichole Winter and Colin Wendt, and senior class president Brianna Mensen.

School board member Doug Dabroski presented the Five Star Award to Keith Kramer for his numerous contributions to MV.



Students whose GPAs put them in the top 20 percent of the class were given special recognition: Nichole Winter, Colin Wendt, Lawson Roof, Kendra Ries, Brianna Mensen, Alec McDowell, Clint Krapfl, Rebekah Hill, Amanda Fortman and Mikayla Callan.



# Despite the cold temps, Wildcats heat up the track at state

The boy and girls track teams made the most of their time at the state track meet held at Drake University in Des Moines this past weekend with several medals earned and personal bests achieved.

## ***Maquoketa Valley girls***

The shuttle hurdle team of Angela Wendt, Cassiddy Wilson, Kaitlyn Deutmeyer and Kara Orcutt finished 20th overall in 1:13.34.

On Friday, the distance medley team finished 18th in 4:35.54 with the team of Madison Imler, Danica Fjelstul, Ashley Stogdill and Cassiddy Wilson.

Alison Sheehy finished 19th in the discus with a top throw of 104-5.

In the 100 hurdles, Kara Orcutt was 23rd, 17.67. Orcutt also ran in the 400 hurdles, but tripped on the backstretch and finished 23rd.

The 4x200 relay team finished fifth in the state with the team of Brianna Mensen, Ashley Stogdill, Aspen Britt and Samantha Wall, in 1:49.59.

The 4x100 team of Mensen, Stogdill, Wall and Britt finished 10th in 52.50.

The sprint medley team of Brianna Mensen, Ashley Stogdill, Samantha Wall and Aspen Britt was ninth in 1:54.83.

The 4x400 team of Samantha Wall, Brianna Mensen, Kara Orcutt and Aspen Britt won its heat in the preliminaries Friday with a time of 4:12.03, and then finished second in Saturday's finals with a time of 4:08.63.

## ***Maquoketa Valley boys***

MV ran in the 4x800 finals on Thursday, and the team of Derek Becker, Kyle Wilson, Chance Downs and Brenden Hogan finished ninth in 8:24.77.

Also on Thursday, the shuttle hurdle team of Brock Hillers, Derek Becker, Colin Wendt and Chad Neuzil ran in the prelims, and finished 12th overall in 1:03.28.

In the 110 hurdles on Friday, Brock Hillers was 23rd in 16:41.

On Friday, the distance medley team of Mitchell Neuzil, Zak Harbach, Derek Becker and Kyle Wilson finished sixth in 3:38.98.

On Saturday morning, Kyle Wilson ran fifth in the 800 with a time of 1:59.19.

Brendan Hogan was 18th in the 1,600, in 4:46.04.



Girls state track qualifiers include, front row from left: Kara Orcutt, Madison Imler, Macy Hoeger, Olivia Hoeger, Brooke Wilson and Caitlin Schuman; second row: Sam Wall, Brianna Mensen, Allie Knipper, Shelby March and Maci Freiburger; back row: Angela Wendt, Aspen Britt, Cassy Wilson, Danica Fjelstul, Mac Callan, Katilyn Deutmeyer and Ashley Stogdill. Not pictured: Ali Sheehy



Boys state track qualifiers are, front row from left: Derek Becker, Evan Hoefer, Chance Downs, Mitch Neuzil, Zak Harbach and Clint Krapfl; back row: coach Curt Feldt, Colin Wendt, Brenden Hogan, Chad Neuzil, Kyle Wilson, Brock Hillers and coach Pat Meehan.



Left: Angela Wendt competes in the shuttle hurdle relay at state. (photo courtesy of Pete Temple, The Monticello Express)



# Foreign exchange students reflect on being a Wildcat

As the school year comes to a close, students aren't just bidding farewell to the seniors but also adiós to our two foreign exchange students, Pablo Ostos and Emilia Granados.

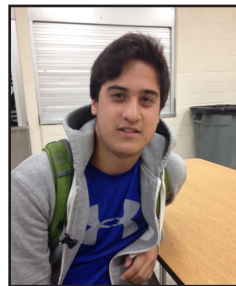
Pablo will return to Spain May 29 where he will finish his senior year. He said that he has enjoyed his time at Maquoketa Valley, especially playing sports. "I enjoyed football the most," he said. Pablo stayed with Blake Becker



and family, and Pablo said that he enjoyed watching Sunday night football with the family the most. He added that he's learned a major difference in the lives of American teenagers and Spanish teenagers. "Enjoy your life every single day. In Spanish, we enjoy the weekend. Students [in Spain] just study during the week. Here's it's more consistent." He also noted another academic difference: "Here the teachers want students to understand the concept, to comprehend it, to stay with it. In Spain, we just learn it and teachers don't care if we forget it."

Emilio Granados will get to stick around the U.S. a bit longer than Pablo. He returns to Mexico June 18 where he will also finish his last year of high school. Emilio said he has also the people here and playing sports. He said there aren't too many difference between his life back

home and life here, except in school where the teachers change classrooms, not the students. While here, he has stayed with the Jamie Mensen family which Emilio said has been a good experience.



Thank you, Pablo and Emilio, for being part of our MV family this year.

## Did you know?

by Emma McDowell

Here are ten fun facts to end this wonderful school year.

- The most popular summer vacation destination is the beach.
- A fear of the sun is called heliophobia.
- Over 400 million people speak Spanish.
- Members of the same family tend to have drastically different IQ levels.
- In the summer, the Eiffel Tower can expand up to four inches in height because the heat makes the metal stretch.
- Mickey Mouse was almost named Mortimer Mouse.
- If Barbie was a real person she would have a 16 inch waist; the national average is 36 inches.
- An average American consumes nearly 15 pounds of watermelon annually.
- June 21st is the first day of summer.
- A queen bee lays 1,500 eggs a day.

Be sure to sign up for Friday's fun and games! Put together a kickball team or a volleyball team or find a partner for bags. Your student council has some fun in store for you!

## what's up?

### What are you most looking forward to this summer?

by McKenzle Lansing

Lane Coyle- Going to the lake  
 Josy Harmon- Boating  
 Amanda Engelken- Promoting Dairy  
 Ty Domeyer- Not being in school  
 Pablo Ostos- Going back to Spain  
 Brooke Wilson- Softball  
 Gracie Gellersen- Playing basketball and hanging out with friends  
 Derek Mensen- No school  
 Megan Beaman- My job  
 Holly Offerman- Fishing  
 Brittany Sabers- Thomas Rhett concert  
 Mrs. Lewin- Sitting at the pool with my best friend and watching my kids swim  
 Brody Severt- Europe  
 Dylan Happel- State fair and wrestling camp  
 Payton Ries- No school  
 Heath Gibbs- Kayaking  
 Jordyn Kemp- Not seeing people and state fair  
 Tyson Tucker- barking with the dogs  
 Hannah Clemen- Tubing  
 Carter Hildebrand- Going to Alabama  
 Garrett Hogan- Grad parties and Minnesota  
 Emmalee Prindle- Softball

## Best Buds



Mr. DeVore and Mr. Hadley  
 by Kristin Lucas

**What was your first impression of each other?**

Mr. DeVore- EXTREMELY talented and creative, likes to have fun and laugh, snazzy dresser

Mr. Hadley- definitely seemed like the fun teacher, like the class clown in our in service days

**What is your favorite thing about the other?**

Mr. DeVore- sense of humor...sometimes inappropriate, catches on to the little things very quickly, trivia hound, his big laugh

Mr. Hadley- spontaneity, quick wit, contagious laugh, and subtly inappropriate humor

**What is one word you would use to describe the other?**

Mr. DeVore- Eyebrow-Brad

Mr. Hadley- Eyebrow-Brad

# Brain Teaser Hall Smarts

by Mason Lubben

It can be cracked,  
it can be made.

It can be told,  
it can be played.

What is it?

A : a joke

## 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:

5/19 - Nathan Weber

5/27- Cole Willenbring

5/28 - Tyler Britcher

5/30 - Katie Snyder

### Our Summer Birthdays:

6/3- Cassidy Wilson

6/8- Zak Harbach, Clint Krapfl, Kay-  
lynn Smith

6/9- Morgan Hermanson

6/10- Caleb Thompson, Rebecca  
Thompson

6/11- Dalton Becker, Carter Klos-  
termann, Mason Lubben

6/14- McKenna Wenthe

6/15- Brycen Askeland, Jaiden Porter

6/16- Nicole Winter

6/20- Angela Wendt

6/21- Hannah Clemen

6/22- Madalynne Naab

6/24- Lane Coyle

6/26- Maddy Anderegg

6/27- Jon Seibert

6/28- Aden Atwell, Hunter Glass

6/29- Eric Heims

7/1- Tiffany Kelly

7/6- Kara Orcutt

7/8 - Aspen Britt, Ethan Fonck, Gracie  
Gellerson, Derek Mensen

7/10- Carter Hildebrand, Evan Hoefer

7/13- Hannah Lahr

7/17- Frankie Mast

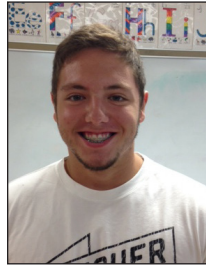
7/22- Amanda Engelken

7/23- Storm Brandenburg

7/30- Dustin Heims

by Brody Severt

Hello to all  
of you Wildcats. This  
is the last issue of Hall  
Smarts this year. So  
in honor of the com-  
ing summer all of this  
week's questions will  
be about summer and  
summer activities. This weeks contestants  
are Casey Fry, Summer Schmucker, Mi-  
chael Feldmann and Daniel Hunter.



How many days of the summer season are  
there?

Casey: 93

Summer: 110

Michael: 93

Daniel: not enough

Answer: 93

How many days of break do we have?

Casey: 81

Summer: 80

Micheal: 90

Daniel: still not enough

Answer: 90

Hottest recorded temperature in Iowa?

Casey: 110°

Summer: 118°

Michael: 118

Daniel: too hot, I sweat easily

Answer: 118°F

What is the most time you should wait  
before reapplying sunscreen?

Casey: 15 minutes

Summer: 2 hours

Michael: 2 hours

Daniel: I like to feel the burn, so I don't

Answer: 2 hours

What chemical cleans pools?

Casey: Chlorine

Summer: Chlorine

Michael: Chlorine

Daniel: same stuff in toothpaste

Answer: Chlorine

Good job to all of the contestants this  
week (they were fairly difficult) and year.  
Have an amazing summer and stay safe.  
Try and have lot's of fun and spend some  
time outside; the inside is for school. See  
you next year, everyone.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV

the week of May 22, 2017

MONDAY, May 22, 2017

1. Semester Exams for High School Students
2. HS V (DH) Softball - HOME - Cen-  
ter Point / Urbana - 5:00 PM

TUESDAY, May 23, 2017

1. Semester Exams for High School Students
2. HS JV/V (DH) Baseball at Don  
Bosco Catholic HS - 5:00 PM (Bus  
Leaves at 2:55 PM)
3. HS Golf Awards - Pizza Ranch -  
4:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, May 24, 2017

1. 6th Grade Class to Evergreen Cem-  
etery in Delhi for Iowa History Lesson  
- 9:00 AM to 10:45 AM
2. 5th & 6th Grade Track Meet - High  
School Track - 12:45 PM
3. HS JV (DH) Baseball at North Linn  
- 5:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:15 PM)
4. HS JV (DH) Softball - HOME -  
North Linn - 5:00 PM

THURSDAY, May 25, 2017

1. Snow Make Up School Day (for  
January 17th)
2. 7th & 8th "No Lates" Incentive Trip  
to Dubuque (Bus Leaves at 8:10 AM)
3. 7th & 8th Grade Incentive Day  
Activities - 12:30 to 3:00 PM
4. HS V (DH) Softball & Baseball -  
HOME - East Buchanan - 5:00 PM

FRIDAY, May 26, 2017

1. Last Day of School - Snow Make-  
Up Day (for March 13)
2. End of 4th Quarter (46 Days) / End  
of 2nd Semester (91 Days)
3. 7th & 8th Grade Last Day Picnic  
& Outdoor Activities at Bailey's Ford  
(Buses Leave at 8:15 AM)
4. EARLY DISMISSAL - 1:05 PM in  
Delhi / 1:15 PM in Earlville & Hopkin-  
ton
5. HS JV (DH) Softball and Baseball  
at East Buchanan - 5:00 PM (Bus Leaves  
at 3:00 PM)
6. HS V (DH) Softball at Cascade -  
5:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:20 PM)

MONDAY, May 29, 2017

1. Memorial Day
2. MV HS Girls & Boys Track Awards  
- HS Cafeteria - 5:00 PM



# Golf season comes to an end

by Kelly Winter

The boys competed at Sectionals last Friday, while the girls competed at Districts last Monday. The boys got 8th as a team, and none of the individuals moved on. For the girls, they got 4th as a team, but no individuals moved to the next level.

The golf season is now over, and Coach Andrews said it was a growing year. "It was a great experience for our young guys in getting out and competing for 18 holes. We did not get the results we wanted but it was a great experience and gave us a foundation to build on in the coming years. The boys team should continue to make improvements and get much better scores in the future."

*"We fell a little short of that but did pick up a lot of positives on the day."*

—Coach Andrews

He added that he has seen lots of positive traits in the girls team. "Our goal coming in was to move on as a team to the Regional Final at Jesup. We fell a little short of that but did pick up a lot of positives on the day. One of the positives I saw was how some of the girls fought through some adversity early on in the day and fought back and golfed much better on the back 9. All the girls that scored for us today were sophomores so there is a lot to be optimistic about with the girls golf program. Placing third at conference and fourth at Regionals is something to be proud of with such a young group."

Following are the individual standings on 18 holes:

Jon Seibert - 116  
Austin Snyder - 120  
Derek Mensen - 131  
Patrick Hansen - 147  
Matthew Hucker - 112

Kelly Winter - 108  
Kelsey Ries - 112  
Faith Hunt - 117  
Megan McNamara - 123  
Maddie Lahr - 135  
Chloe Roling - 116

# Results from girls district track



Ashley Stogdill hands off to Sam Wall at the district meet. (photo courtesy of MV Athletic Boosters)

by McKenzie Lansing

Last Thursday the girls competed in the State Qualifying meet at Central City. They did extremely well, placing 1st overall, with a total of 96 points.

Starting with the relay events, In the Discus, Ali Sheehy threw 119' 6", placing 2nd and gaining 8 team points. This throw qualified her for State at Drake.

In the running events, starting with the 200m dash Madison Imler ran a 29.11, placing 5th and gaining 4 team points. In the 400m dash, Brooke Wilson ran a 1:07.29, placing 8th and gaining 1 team point. In the 1500m run, Nichole Winter ran a 5:44.72, placing 7th and gaining 2 team points. Kara Orcutt and Angela Wendt both ran in the 100m hurdles. Kara ran a 16.99, placing 1st, gaining 10 points, and qualifying for state. Angela Wendt ran a 17.53, placing 3rd and gaining 6 team points. Kara Orcutt and Cassiddy Wilson ran in the 400m hurdles. Kara ran a 1:10.39, placing 1st, gaining 10 team points, and also qualifying for state. Cassiddy Wilson ran a 1:12.23, placing 3rd and gaining 6 team points.

In the relay events, starting with the 4x100m relay, Brianna Mensen, Ashley Stogdill, Sam Wall and Aspen Britt ran a 52.23, placing 2nd and gaining 8 team points. This team qualified for state with their alternates as Caitlin Schuman and Maci Freiburger. In the 4x200m relay, Brianna Mensen, Ashley Stogdill, Aspen Britt,

and Sam Wall ran a 1:48.70, placing 2nd and gaining 8 team points. This team also qualified for state along with their alternates, Caitlin Schuman and Madison Imler. In the 4x400m relay, Sam Wall, Brianna Mensen, Kara Orcutt, and Aspen Britt ran a 4:12.31, placing 2nd and gaining 8 points. This team qualified for state with their alternates, Brooke Wilson and Alison Knipper. They 4x800m relay, Reiji Smith, Nichole Winter, Jaiden Porter, Casey Fry and their alternates, Kailyn Hogan and Jordyn Kemp ran a 11:26.64, placing 6th and gaining 3 points. The sprint medley relay, Brianna Mensen, Ashley Stogdill, Sam Wall, and Aspen Britt ran a 1:53.42, placing 3rd and gaining 6 team points. This run also qualified them for state along with their alternates Maddy Anderegg and Caitlin Schuman. In the Distance Medley relay, Madison Imler, Danica Fjelstul, Ashley Stogdill, and Cassiddy Wilson ran a 4:37.05, placing 3rd and gaining 6 points. This team also qualified for state along with their alternates Brooke Wilson and Mikayla Callan. In the Shuttle hurdle, Angela Wendt, Cassiddy Wilson, Katilyn Deutmeyer, and Kara Orcutt ran a 1:11.12, placing 1st and gaining them 10 team points. This team qualified for state with their alternates Shelby March and Olivia Hoeger.

The girls competed at state this past weekend.



# State track scenes photos courtesy of Pete Temple, The Monticello Express





# Who's that Cutie?: A test of how well you know MV teachers



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Let's make a game of this. Thanks to Brooklyn Sands for creating this game! Fill out the answer sheet of whose picture matches each number. Name bank (with one distractor!):

Mr. DeVore Mrs.  
Mausser Mrs. Kramer  
Mrs. Hunt Mr. Drew  
Mrs. Moenck  
Mr. Huegel Mrs. Ries  
Mrs. Wright  
Mr. Osterhaus  
Mrs. McDermott  
Mr. Cassutt  
Mrs. DeVore  
Mrs. Richter

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Turn in your answers to Mrs. Temple.  
First correct one wins a prize!