

# Wildcat Echo

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## Progress made on construction project

by Kelly Winter

Just a quick update about the construction project because the due date is getting close! The state inspector took a look at everything on Monday, and they concluded that it's "not quite ready for occupancy," according to Mr. Tuetken. They still need to finish up a few small details.

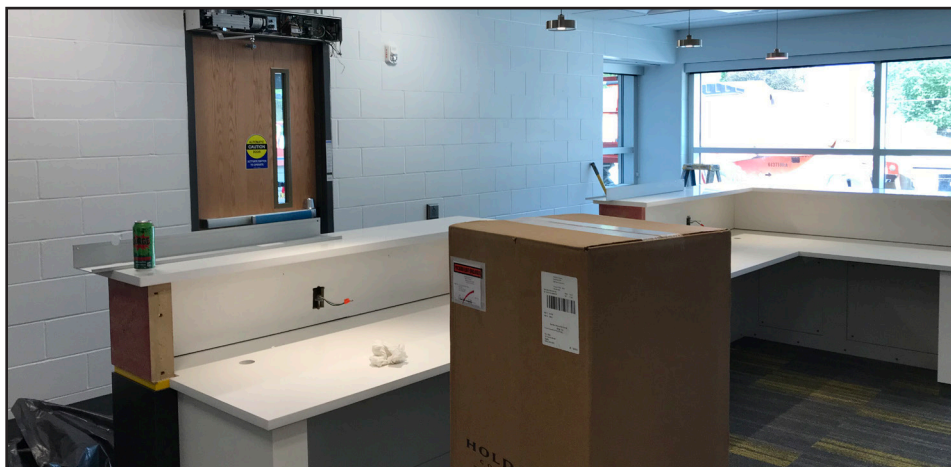
The inspector and fire marshall are coming in again next Thursday to check everything over. Mr. Tuetken says to expect occupancy then. As you may have seen carpet was put into the entryway. You should expect in the next two weeks that the front entrance will be open!

Next week the cleaning will continue and they'll finish up their "punch-list." In mid to late October the landscaping will start outside, but plants won't be installed until this coming spring. Also coming in the future will be classrooms and gym projects next summer.

Our building was built in the 1960's and according to Mr. Tuetken this update is "long overdue." He said he's really excited about the finished product, saying, "It's something that everyone can be proud of." So be proud of it!



The front office area is nearing completion. These photos were taken Wednesday. Left: The copier/mailbox room. Below: The front office. Far below: The lobby



Tuesday morning students were welcomed with new water fountains which have a spout designed for filling bottles.





# Sports Connection

## Wildcats improve record to 4-1

With a 35-16 win over Tipton last Friday night, the Wildcats now can boast a 4-1 season record.

Tyson Tucker had a big night as he completed six of his 11 passes and threw for 126 yards.

Brock Hillers scored a touchdown on one of his three catches. Norman Wilson scored a touchdown on a 61-yard pass. Garrett Hogan gained five yards on his catch.

Tucker kept the ball 10 times for a gain of 64 yards. He scored two touchdowns. Derek Becker had 43 yards on six attempts and also found the endzone. Mitch Smith rushed for 85 yards on 11 attempts, and Hogan carried the ball 15 times, good for 83 yards.

Foreign exchange student Polo Pillon made good on three out of four PATs. Tucker also made a two-point conversion.

Credit for fumble recoveries goes to Matthew Hucker and Andy O'Connell with one each.

Leading tacklers for the night



**Polo Pillon tries for a PAT Friday night. Tyson Tucker is the holder. (photo courtesy of Lesa Parmely)**

were Wilson with eight, Hogan with seven, Cole Kruse with six and Becker with five.

Tonight MV hosts Clayton Ridge. The dress up theme is White Out.

## Times are dropping for cross country runners

by Chance Downs

Last Saturday Maquoketa Valley's Cross Country Teams competed in the 40th Annual Mustang Invitational. The Wildcats represented well, making small improvements throughout the day. The girls, unfortunately, were not able to run an entire team, Maddie Lahr was the lone competitor. She finished 55th in 36:14.

The boys ran a tough race against serious competition. Though at the end of the day they finished third as a team, with a total score of 81. Individual results include:

5	Chance Downs	17:43
9	Brenden Hogan	17:57
13	Derek Mensen	18:27
26	Mason Lubben	19:27
28	Daniel Hunter	19:33
29	Tate Trenkamp	19:38
30	Jon Seibert	19:48

Also, this past Tuesday, both Cross Country Teams loaded up once more to race at the Jesup Invitational. Both boys and girls saw great competition and many season bests. The girls individuals were:

139th	Maddie Lahr	34:08
141st	Abbie Sheehy	35:42

The boys ran a very tough race against several ranked teams. In the end they finished just short of their opponents Denver and Starmont with a total score of 180 and a 7th place finish. The boys individuals were:

14th	Chance Downs	17:22
25th	Brenden Hogan	17:41
42nd	Tate Trenkamp	18:04
46th	Derek Mensen	18:11
63rd	Mason Lubben	18:38
92nd	Jon Seibert	19:40

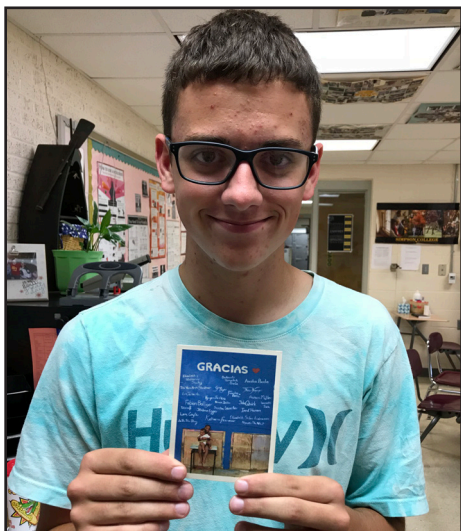
The Wildcats' next meet is next Tuesday at Hartridge Golf Course for the West Delaware Invitational. Be sure to come out and support the runners!

Senior Sean Hucker leads a pack of Mustangs at the Independence meet last Saturday. (photo courtesy of Sarah Lewin)



## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*Lane Coyle*



Lane holds the postcard thank you sent to him from the center.

**You recently donated money to help an medical center/daycare in the Dominican Republic. Why did you do that?** After visiting the children in the center, I decided that I wanted to make a difference in there lives! That was probably my favorite part of the trip! The children loved to have fun and play games! They also were very excited for us to come and visit them! I hope that one day I will be able to go back and visit the center again!

**What do you think we could do as a school to help students become global citizens?** I would say encourage people to travel and see the world! You don't realize how good you have it, until you see the lives others live! Also I would say every donation counts whether it's \$1 or \$100!

**What's the nicest thing someone has done for you?** Well many people have done nice things for me whether it be giving me a ride when I couldn't drive or paying for something when I didn't have the money!

**The dress up theme for tonight is White Out!**

## what's up?

**If you were invisible for a day, what would you do?**

by Kelly Winter

Izabel Niehaus: de-pants Heath Gibbs  
Alex Digman: modern-day Robin Hood  
Kara Leibold: steal from stores like Ulta, Michael Kors  
Morgan Hermanson: go rob a bank  
Faith Hunt: eavesdrop  
Mrs. DeVore: I wouldn't even want to be invisible.  
Teige Hunt: skip town, and go to another tropical country  
Emma Hill: go to one of Beyonce's concerts  
Jordan Kemp: scare my friends and shop  
Abby Sheehy: trip people  
Jenna Nefzger: shopping spree  
Mrs. Spellerberg: go around and spy on people  
Tate Trenkamp: pickpocket  
Emma McDowell: hear what people are saying about me

## Best Buds



Jake Jones & Sean Hucker

by Kristin Lucas

**What is one of your favorite things to do together?**

Sean - play cards

Jake - shoot guns

**When did you become good friends?**

Both - last year

**What is your best memory with the other?**

Sean - playing tug-or-war with lawn mowers

Jake - teaching him to drive stick

**How would you describe each other with one word?**

Sean - "danggg"

Jake - tough

## Athletes of the Week

Name: Mason Lubben

Sport: Cross country

**What do you enjoy most about cross country?**

The team atmosphere. Everyone gets along well as a team.

**How has cross**

**country changed you?** Cross country has made me more athletic. I've also become a lot more mentally tough.

**What has been your favorite memory of cross country?** Receiving a plaque for getting first place at the Cascade meet.

**Where would you love to have a meet?** Somewhere flat and with a cool climate.

Name: Tate Trenkamp

Sport: Cross country

**What do you enjoy most about cross country?** running, and talking while I run

**How has cross country changed you?** It has kept me in

shape and a made me a better person with the goals I've set

**What has been your favorite memory of cross country?** My 7th grade year when I got to run with the high schoolers, and the whole time they were talking about some bug fight show

**Where would you love to have a meet?**

I wish that we would have a meet here; otherwise, my favorite course is Cascade.





# Cutie



**by Brooklyn Sands**

This cutie is a middle child who has two sisters and no brothers. She lives on a farm in Earlville. She is in the junior class.



**by Brittany Sabers**

This cutie is a junior. This cutie is involved in volleyball and softball. This cutie has been to All-State speech the past two years. This cutie has two sisters. This cutie's favorite thing is eating food.

*Last week's Cutie was Alex McCusker.*

## Did you know?

**by Emma McDowell**

- California has a larger population than the entire country of Canada.
- Beavers are considered fish by the Catholic Church, which means Catholics are allowed to eat them during lent.
- Cats and humans are 90% genetically similar.
- We also share 50% of our DNA with bananas.
- Mike Tyson's fighting career started when he beat up a boy who had killed one of his pet pigeons.
- According to the official foosball rules, you aren't allowed to spin the players.
- NASA scientists are starting to name Saturn's moons after kittens.
- In almost ironic twist, pets can be allergic to humans.
- Ryan Gosling turned down an offer to be in the Backstreet Boys.

## Netflix & Chill

**by Emma McDowell**

*Beauty and the Beast*: The 2017 remake of the Disney classic is as beautiful as Emma Watson herself. It retains the charm and wonderful music that was in the original. I remember the first time I saw this movie in theatres; I enjoyed every minute of it. While watching Emma Watson portray my favorite princess, I felt like a child again. Growing up, *Beauty and the Beast* was my favorite Disney movie, and the remake did it justice. From Belle's golden dress to the Beast's belting voice, it was perfect in every way. However, there were some songs that couldn't compare to the original. No one can out do the original rendition of "Be Our Guest." Despite some of its shortcomings, I strongly recommend the remake to any Disney fan.

*Freaks and Geeks*: All I need to say to get any girl to watch this show is "Young James Franco." *Freaks and Geeks* was his breakout role as well as Seth Rogan and Jason Segel. This show fell under the radar while it was on air and was tragically cancelled. But that didn't stop it from later becoming a favorite show of many people. Part comedy, part drama, part high school fiasco, this show is as enjoyable as they come. It's filled with quirky characters and quotes you can use every day.

## Brain Teaser

**by Mason Lubben**

A man pushes his car to a hotel and tells its owner that he is bankrupt. Why?

*A: He's playing Monopoly!*

## Josie's Jibber

**by Josie Young**

Throughout the past few years in high school, I have stuck with mostly the same group of people. I sat with the same people at lunch. I have taken pictures and eaten with the same group of people before homecoming. I have gone teepeeing with the same group of people. The list goes on and on.

That was until this past year. I have always tried to talk to other people whom I didn't usually hang out with, but outside of school, I would not plan to hang-out with them. It was not that they were too cool for me, or that I was too cool for them, but it wasn't the "in thing" to do. While it is my last year of high school, I have thought about countless things with this being one of them. Hanging out with the people I don't usually hang out with outside of school has been one of the greatest decisions I have made all year. I have not only made more friends, but I have gotten to know people in my class even better.

Although it may be tough come May, I will be lucky enough to have decent conversations with these individuals in the future. So go on, step outside your comfort zone and hangout with others in your school that you usually wouldn't hang out with. You never know: you might just find your long lost best friend.

## 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:

Paige Panosh - 10/1  
Emma Beitz - 10/3  
Madison Ott - 10/2  
Macy Hoeger - 10/5  
Justin Krapfl - 10/6





# Volleyball team gets more conference wins

by McKenzie Lansing

Hey there, volleyball fans! If you're following our Wildcats, you know they're rolling with two more conference wins.

Last Thursday, the girls travelled to North Linn to play the Lynx. They came home with a victory, winning 1-3. Scores were 25-14, 22-25, 25-18, and 25-21.

Leading in serves was Abby Holtz, having success with 23 of 23 great serves. Abby also scored one ace. Payton Ries was successful with 24 of 25 serves, and also scoring one ace. Emerson Whittenbaugh led in aces, scoring 4 total. Maci Freiburger had 3 aces.

On the Offensive side, leading in assists was Abby Holtz with 26. Maddy Anderegg had 11 assists. Olivia Hoeger also helped out in the front row, gaining 8 assists. Maci Freiburger was our top hitter of the night, with 19 kills. Macy Hoeger and Payton Ries each had 10 kills. Emerson Whittenbaugh also led with 9 kills.

Defensively, Holtz led with 21 digs. Emerson Whittenbaugh had 20 digs. Macy Hoeger also led with 14 digs.

On Tuesday, the Girls battled Ed-Co at home. The Cats were very pleased to take the W winning 3-2. Scores were 27-25, 25-15, 21-25, 22-25, and 16-14.

Leading in serves was Holtz hav-



**Maci Freiburger goes for the attack against Ed-Co Tuesday night. The Wildcats won in five games. (photo courtesy of Lesa Parmely)**

ing success with 26 of 26. Anderegg also led having success with 13 of 13 serves. Freiburger led with 4 aces. Ries scored 2 aces.

On the offensive side, Holtz led with 28 assists. Anderegg had 15 assists. Ries and Freiburger each had 12 kills. Macy Hoeger scored 11 kills. Whittenbaugh had 10 kills.

Moving on to defense. Freiburger

and Whittenbaugh each had 26 digs. Macy Hoeger had 25 digs. Holtz had 14 digs. Ries was our big blocker of the night, leading with 4 blocks.

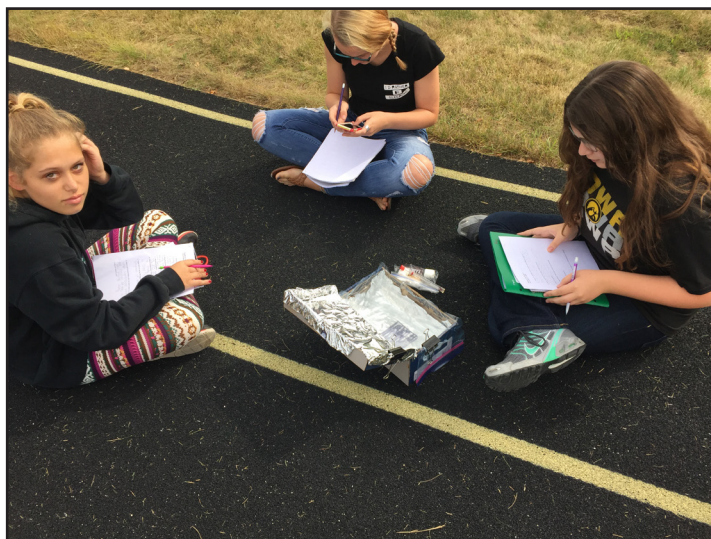
The girls travelled to Central City to face the Wildcats yesterday. Those stats will be in next week's Echo. They play East Buchanan on Tuesday for senior night. The theme for Tuesday's game will be ESPN/ Jersey Night.



## Helping others

MV's National Honor Society chapter held a bake sale at Tuesday night's volleyball game and raised \$77 to go towards Hurricane Harvey victims. Right: NHS members Brody Sevart and Emma McDowell work at the sale. (photo by Mrs. Spellerberg)

## What's cookin'?



The physical science students put their understanding of heat transfer and terms such as conduction, convection, and radiation to the test as they designed ovens to make S'mores on this week. Above: Layla Crippen, Annie Trenkamp and Kim Sellner test their oven. (photo by Owen Mensen)

## Meet the Freshmen



Allison, Kim & Olyvia

**Typist: Hannah Lahr**

Name: Allison Dunn

Siblings: Ryan Dunn

Activities you plan to be in: Dance team, softball, band, choir, speech, musical play, Spanish Club

Favorite subject: Spanish

Career aspirations: Lawyer

Hobbies: Watching Netflix and hanging with friends

Something cool about you: I can wiggle both ears, and then I can wiggle just my right ear.

Name: Olyvia Hanken- Arlen

Siblings: None at this school

Activities you plan to be in: Band

Favorite subject: Math

Career aspirations: Engineer

Hobbies: Reading and music

Something cool about you: I like robotics

Name: Kim Sellner

Siblings: none

Activities you plan to be in: Spanish Club, helping with the spring play, and maybe speech

Favorite subject: Math or Science

Career aspirations: Veterinarian

Hobbies: Reading, Playing with my dogs, and learning new things

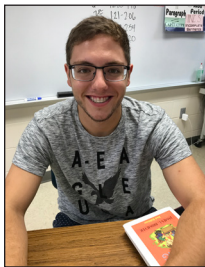
Something cool about you: I completed the 40 Book Challenge both years.

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## Hall Smarts

by Brody Sevart

Hello, Wildcats, and welcome to another week of Hall Smarts. Have you ever wondered what the teachers think of the music we listen to. Well this week we will be figuring out if any of them will be able to match the songs to the artists. With our contestants being Mr. Bruening, Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Besler versus Cody Hunter.



Who sings "Glorious"?

Mr. B: Macklemore

Mrs. H: white rapper

Mrs. B: ehh no idea

Cody: Macklemore

Answer: Macklemore

"Praying" is sung by?

Mr. B: Rhianna

Mrs. H: I've heard this

Mrs. B: Alicia Keys

Cody: Brittany Spears

Answer: Kesha

The suicide hotline number is by who?

Mr. B: Luke Bryan

Mrs. H: IDK

Mrs. B: My Man Logic

Cody: Logic

Answer: Logic

Who sings "24K Magic"?

Mr. B: Bruno Mars

Mrs. H: Nope

Mrs. B: Bruno Mars

Cody: Bruno Mars

Answer: Bruno Mars

Who sings "Look What You Made Me Do"?

Mr. B: T Swift

Mrs. H: Taylor Swift

Mrs. B: Taylor Swift

Cody: Taylor Swift

Answer: Taylor Swift

Good job to all of the teachers out there. We know our music is nothing like what you all jived to back in the day. That's all this week, Wildcats. Have a nice weekend and pay it forward.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of October 2, 2017

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2017

1. HS Students to Camp EWALU (Van Leaves at 7:45 AM)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017

1. MV HS FFA to World Dairy Expo in Madison, WI - (Bus at 3:30 AM)

2. HS CC with West Delaware - JH @ Fair Grounds / HS @ Hartridge - 4:30 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:10 PM)

3. Jr. High Volleyball - HOME - Cedar Valley Christian - 4:00 PM

4. HS 9/JV/V Volleyball - HOME - East Buchanan - 5:15 PM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017

1. FFA to Greenhand Fireup at Wapsi Valley HS in Fairbank - 4:00 PM (Suburban Leaves at 3:00 PM)

2. MV Athletic Booster Club Meeting - HS Cafeteria - 6:30 AM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017

1. Black PreSchool Class Trip to Scherman's Pumpkin Patch in Manchester (Bus Leaves at 9:00 AM)

2. 4-H Presentation to 4th Graders - MS Commons - 2:30 PM

3. Jr. High Volleyball at Springville - 4:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 2:55 PM)

4. HS 9/JV/V Volleyball at Cedar Valley Christian - 5:15 PM (Bus Leaves at 3:40 PM)

5. Jr. High Football - HOME - Star-mont - 4:30 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2017

1. HS Students to Advanced Manufacturing Day in Manchester (Bus Leaves at 8:05 AM)

2. Gold PreSchool Class Trip to Scherman's Pumpkin Patch in Manchester (Bus Leaves at 9:00 AM)

3. Grandparents & Special Friends Day at Delhi Elementary - 1:30 until 2:45 PM

4. HS Football at Jesup - 5:00 PM & 7:30 PM (JV Bus Leaves @ 3:30 PM / V Bus @ 5:00 PM)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 2017

1. HS Cross Country at North Linn HS - 9:00 AM (Bus Leaves at 7:15 AM)

2. Men's Choir to "Real Men Sing" at Warburg College in Waverly - 9:15 AM (Bus Leaves at 7:45 AM)