

TEL students plan for Red Ribbon Week

by Kelly Winter

Everyone is invited! TEL is putting on their yearly tailgate on October 26th. Red Ribbon Week starts on Monday, October 22nd. RRW is for alcohol, tobacco, drug and violence prevention awareness. The TEL group has prepared some activities for the elementary and middle school, as well as announcements for the high school to be played throughout the week.

They have also been working really hard on preparing everything for the tailgate to finish off RRW. It will begin at 11:30 and end at 1:00. As some may know, the 26th is our last day of the first quarter and we will be dismissed early.

Lunch will be provided outside on the track, where there will be many different games and activities to do. TEL will also be giving out prizes, so keep a keen ear for your name! This tailgate just goes to show that you don't need alcohol to have fun. I will see you all there! Let's party like Wildcats!

Students learn about human trafficking



Thursday morning Yolanda Harden from Teens Against Human Trafficking shared information about the definition of human trafficking as well as some statistics and characteristics of vulnerable, potential victims.

She claimed that the average age for a human trafficking victims is 15, and that age decreases to 13 for sex trafficking victims. Over 40 million persons are enslaved in the \$150 billion dollar business of human trafficking.

Harden informed the students

that human trafficking is the equivalent of modern-day slavery: the illegal business of buying and selling humans in which there is a seller, a buyer, and a victim (the commodity). The sellers may use force, fraud or coercion to trap the victims. These traffickers can be any age, gender, race or profession who often prey on school-age children, young moms, LGBTQ youth, and youth not living with family.

More information can be found at yssa.org/program/teens-against-human-trafficking.

Boys XC team to state!

The boys cross country team cleared its path to the state meet Oct. 27 after its second place finish in the state qualifying meet last night held in Iowa City.

Chance Downs led the pack by finishing 6th in 17:53. Ethan Doyl and Derek Mensen finished 20th and 21st in 18:40 and 18:42, respectively. Nolan Ries was right behind them in 23rd in 18:48. Mason Lubben completed the 5K course in 19:05, good for 29th place. Jon Seibert and Tate Trenkamp rounded out the team in 49th and 53rd place in 19:53 and 20:18, respectively.

MV finished with 95 points behind Calamus-Wheatland who had 46 points.

The boys will run in Fort Dodge at 2:30pm.

Two girls competed: Kriya Atwell finished 59th in 25:32, and Ci'Ann Richardson finished 99th in 29:54.

Election day prep



Several seniors, including Austin Snyder, Evan Hoefler, Kristin Lucas and Lane Coyle, attended training this week so they can work at the voting polls on Election Day, Nov. 6.

Sports Connection

Football team plays a close one with Alburnett

The Wildcats played a close game Friday night at Alburnett, but the Pirates were too much and defeated MV 22-14.

Quarterback Norm Wilson completed six of 12 passes for 98 yards. He made contact with Derek Becker twice for a gain of 32 yards, Evan Hoefler once for five yards, Matthew Hucker twice for 17 yards and Trent Koopmann once for 44 yards.

Wilson found his way to the end-zone twice for touchdowns. He also made good on two PATs.

In the Wildcats' rushing game, Becker carried the ball 17 times to gain 47 yards, Hucker carried once to gain five yards and Wilson rushed for 63 yards on 16 attempts.

The Wildcats also capitalized on some Pirate errors. Tim Harmon and Wilson each had an interception. Harmon returned the ball for a gain of eight yards. Wilson returned it for seven. Daniel Hunter



Evan Hoefler goes after an Alburnett player in last week's game. (photo by Lesa Parmely)

had a fumble recovery.

Defensively, Matthew Hucker had four solo tackles, while Koopmann and James LeGassick each had three. Wilson,

Andrew Kloser and Michael Feldmann each had two solo tackles.

Tonight is senior night as the Wildcats host Lisbon.

Harriers compete at conference meet, boys finish second

by Chance Downs

Over the weekend the Maquoketa Valley Cross Country teams competed at the Tri-Rivers Conference Meet at Star-mont High School. The conference meet brought an expected level of tough competition and personal bests! For many runners this was their last meet of the year.

The Wildcat girls kicked things off with the running of three girls. Freshman Kriya Atwell led the pack with a 39th place finish and a time of 25:26.6. Ci'Ann Richardson finished next with a 28:38.4 and Reece Mensen finished her season with a 29:57.9.

After the girls finished up, it was the boys' turn. The Varsity Boys put on a show Saturday as five out of the seven runners marked their season bests. Chance Downs lead the charge with a 5th place finished and a time of 17:39.5. Sophomore Ethan Doyl dropped an impressive time of

18:07.0 to earn 7th place. Freshman Nolan Ries and Junior Derek Mensen followed suit with Nolan running an 18:22.4 and Derek running an 18:30.8. Mason Lubben finished next with a 18:47.0. Seniors Tate Trenkamp and Jon Seibert completed the lineup with Tate at 19:06.0 and Jon at 19:29.3. In a race they knew would be close, the Wildcats fell to the Calamus Wheatland Warriors by 19 points.

The Junior Varsity Boys wrapped up their season in great fashion at the Conference Meet. Senior Canyon Richardson ran his last cross country race of his high school career in a solid time of 19:34.8. Michael Schaul finished next with a 20:07.0. Once again, runner after runner crossed the line for the last time in 2018 with Cy Huber (20:09.9), Lane Coyle (21:10.0), AJ Ambundo (21:59.7), Blake Becker (22:24.3), Brock Trenkamp (22:36.2), and Ashton Goldsmith (26:15.0).



Senior Canyon Richardson makes his way along the course at the conference meet.

Comedy Corner

—compiled by Lydia Helle

Knock, knock.

Who's there?

Goblin.

Goblin who?

The kids are goblin' up all of their Halloween candy!

Kid: "Mommy, everyone says I look like a werewolf."

Mom: "Please be quiet and comb your face."

What did one ghost say to the other ghost?...Do you believe in humans?

Why do demons and ghouls hang out together?...Because demons are a ghouls' best friend.

What is a vampire's least favorite food?...Stake

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Jawny Mallard



You've been working on an Acrylic Cubistic painting. How would you describe what it is? Cubism is recreating an object or scene using geometrical shapes to distort but to still keep the main image. My image is of a man holding a cello with a city background.

What's been the key to success with this project? Patience and imagination.

What art classes have you taken? Sketch, ceramics, watercolor, charcoal and oil pastels.

If you could have your own art studio, what would your medium be? Charcoal

Volleyball team gets first round win



Libero Ella Imler receives the ball during Tuesday night's matchup with Clayton Ridge. (photo by Lesa Parmely)

The volleyball team defeated Clayton Ridge Tuesday night to advance to the next round of district play. Set scores were 25-9, 25-10, 13-25, 23-25 and 15-6.

"We played really well at times," stated Coach Whittenbaugh. "We had somewhat of a let down but kept fighting hard and got the job done."

She noted some highlights of the night were Brooke Wilson's great night of hitting and Olivia Hoeger's hard serving in game two. "I thought Maci Freiburger really stayed consistent and played well at the net. Ella Imler and Ali Knipper were solid in the back row defensively. Lydia Helle did a nice job of finding holes late in game five when we needed her. Emerson Whittenbaugh along Maddy Anderegg and Olivia Hoeger served very well, getting aces when needed."

Whittenbaugh serve success rate was 20 for 21 with three aces. Imler was 18 for 18, Hoeger was 12 for 14 with two aces, Freiburger was 12 for 12 and Anderegg was 18 for 19 with two aces.

Freiburger had 15 kills, and Whittenbaugh had 12.

The team competed in a conference tournament last Thursday night and last Saturday. Thursday night the team went 2-1 with a 2-0 win over Springville, a 2-0 win over North Linn and a 0-2 loss to Starmont. Saturday, the team beat Cedar Valley Christian 2-0 and lost to Lisbon 1-2.

The team will play Monday night at Beckman against Beckman.

Athlete of the Week

Name: Madison McIntyre

Sport: Dance

What do you enjoy most about dance team?

I love the experience of state dance. You get to see so many great teams and I love the environment of Wells Fargo filled with dancers.

What's the hardest part of it? Cleaning dances. Making sure everyone is in the same move at the same time at the same angle at the same height. It is the most detailed part and could make or break a routine.

What's your favorite routine you've ever been a part of? I love Christmas kick and this years state pom. It very energetic and old school rock and I'm looking forward to it.

What's something about dance most people don't realize? It is really hard.

Nobody really understand the work that goes into the routines we perform. Overall we do about 200 different moves per routine. We have to have a lot team bonding because a dance doesn't work if it isn't all together. So it is really hard and time consuming.

I'm excited to work with Madison for another season. She really brings the team to new heights. She's a great dancer and a fun girl to get to know. (Even if she uses my head as an arm rest.) —Coach Teymer

Name: Michael Feldmann

Sport: Football

What do you enjoy most about football?

The hard work that goes into it, and also being with my dawgs.

What lessons about life have you learned from the sport? Teamwork is huge;

if one person doesn't do his job then it compromises the team.

How have you changed as an athlete over the past few years?

I have become bigger and stronger. I also have gained a lot of knowledge of the sports and have become mentally tough.

Why is football a sport worth going out for? It teaches you many valuable lessons and it is really fun.

Who is your football role model? Walter Payton



Meet the Freshmen



Grace, Wyatt, Devin & Jordan

Wyatt Steil

Siblings: One brother - Levi
Activities you plan to be in: Soccer, baseball, track or golf
Favorite subject: Basic construction
Career Aspirations: Money
Hobbies: Sports and fishing
Something cool about you: I like to go fishing a lot.

Devin (Julio) Michael Smith

Siblings: Three - Zach, Mitch, Colin
Activities you plan to be in: Musical, speech, football, soccer
Favorite subject: Spanish
Career Aspirations: Construction manager
Hobbies: Sports, video games
Something cool about you: I'm cool.

Emma Richter

Siblings: Grace Richter
Activities you plan to be in: Volleyball, basketball, softball, track
Favorite subject: Math
Career Aspirations: Architect or counselor
Hobbies: Netflix and Facetime
Something cool about you: I have a puppy.

Jordan Hogan

Siblings: Blake and Brenden Hogan
Activities you plan to be in: Cross country stats, basketball stats, track, speech, play
Favorite subject: Math
Career aspirations: Architect or interior design
Hobbies: Driving 4-Wheeler, watching Netflix
Something cool about you: My eyes change color.

—typist: Kylie Chesnut

Brain Teaser

by Mason Lubben

What has 13 hearts but no other organs?

Answer: A deck of playing cards!

Fine Artists of the Week

Name: Paige Panosh
Activity: Fall musical



What role do you play in the musical?

I am Madame de la Grande Bouche the wardrobe.

What's your favorite part of the show?

My favorite part of the show is the beginning scene and the song Belle.

What's your favorite memory from rehearsals?

When Kloser as Maurice tried to crawl into the "dungeon" through the front where there are bars instead of through the wide open side.

If you could play any role in any musical, what would it be?

If I could play any role I would play Belle because I can relate to her love of books and her sarcasm and sass, but also her kindness.

How has participating in the musical affected you?

Participating in Beauty and the Beast has made me more organized and dedicated to doing my best in everything I am in because with so much to do, I still have to succeed at homework, being a teacher's assistant, and taking care of personal things, such as eating and getting enough sleep.

Name: Maddie Lahr
Activity: Fall musical

What role do you play in the musical?

I am a towns person and a gargoye.

What's your favorite part of the show?

I would definitely say when I get to drag Andrew Kloser off of stage

What's your favorite memory from rehearsals?

When Emma McDowell got her butt stuck in a trash can.

If you could play any role in any musical, what would it be?

If I had to chose I would probably be Sophie from Mama Mia because she has her own way of doing things and she doesn't seem care what others think

How has participating in the musical affected you?

I am still working on my public speaking skills and getting up in front of people and not only talking but singing as well I think will really help me become a better speaker.



Musicians prepare for auditions

by Allie Dunn

In a blink of an eye, the time is gone. The time of preparation is over with. This Saturday a few of our very own Wildcats will be trying out for All-State in Independence. Madeline Gellerson will be playing her Alto Saxophone, while Andrew Kloser, Paige Panosh, Noah DeVore, Keziah Ambundo, Andrew Hildebrand and Kriya Atwell will be vocalists trying out.

Now, what is All-State? All-State is where you prepare pieces of vocal or instrumental music and go through an audition process. If you make it through, you will get a call back, which means you have to perform again, and if the judges like you, then you get to be part of the All-State Choir or Band.

Many of the vocalists have been preparing since this summer's all-state summer camp. The students who went to the summer camp learned the music there, so they benefited from the camp. They have been working with Mrs. Mueller twice a week and have put in countless time on their own to put their best foot forward in the audition.

Andrew Kloser got inspired to do All-State by his sister, Allison. While Paige Panosh and Noah DeVore said they are auditioning to push themselves as a singer. They wanted to be better in what they love to do. Paige Panosh also did it to get the more experience as a singer.

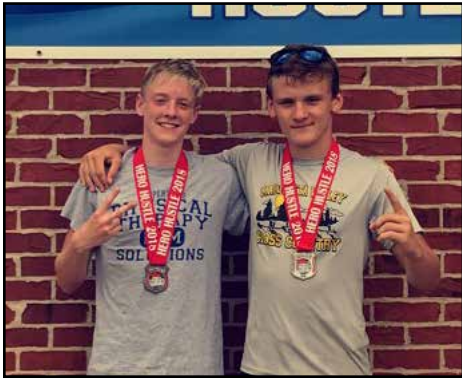
Madeline Gellersen said she also started preparing for all state in the summer when she had summer lessons with Mr. Ford. "I had to practice and memorize my scales, two etudes, and a piece from a solo. If I wouldn't have went through the audition process, I would have never of thought of attempting the challenging etudes and memorizing all of my scales. This audition process has made me a better musician mentally and physically."

They all benefit from this experience in different way. Kriya Atwell learned that for her anxiety comes from learning a song about a made-up language. Noah DeVore learned to put actions in a song to use. Paige Panosh benefits from this because she learned to breathe better, to stand alone on her part, and to be self-reliant.

Students will find out Saturday if they are accepted or not.

Best wishes, Wildcats!

Best Buds



**Mason Lubben & Chance Downs
by Summer Schmuecker**

What is one thing the other person is horrible at?

Chance about Mason: History
Mason about Chance: Fashion

What's the other person's all time favorite movie?

Chance about Mason: His favorite TV show is Criminal Minds.

Mason about Chance: Roadhouse. [It's actually The Green Mile according to Chance.]

When did you guys become friends?

Chance: 8th grade cross country
Mason: 5th grade math

What do you see the other person doing 10 years from now?

Chance about Mason: Owning a business or travelling in Europe

Mason about Chance: Being an Ironman

What's your favorite place to eat when you're together?

Panch or Your Pie

Cutie

by Faith Hunt

This week's cutie lives outside of Earlville. She has one sister in high school and one in college. Her favorite singer is Luke Combs. Her favorite movie is "To All the Boys I've Loved Before." She doesn't have a favorite teacher.



Last week's Cutie was Jenna Nefzger.

Hall Smarts

by Lydia Helle

Last week, we started off the spooky season with some Halloween movie trivia. This week, we are taking a look at something a little sweeter: Halloween candy. I'm going to see how much Ben Snyder, Derek Becker and Jon Seibert know about everyone's favorite sweet treats.



How many licks does it take to get to the center of a Tootsie Pop?

Ben: 102
Derek: 600
Jon: 6,779
Answer: 364

What is Iowa's favorite candy?

Ben: Kit Kat
Derek: Candy corn
Jon: Reese's
Answer: Twix

What is the most popular chocolate bar in the world?

Ben: Milky Way
Derek: Snickers
Jon: Hershey
Answer: Snickers

How many pounds of candy will Americans buy for Halloween?

Ben: 90,157 pounds
Derek: 600 million pounds
Jon: 600 million pounds
Answer: 600 million pounds

Well, it looks like we have a couple candy connoisseurs at Maquoketa Valley. I, personally, like to think of myself in this respect. That's all for this week -- "catch you on the flip side"!

what's up?

by Leah Ries

If you could change your name what would you change it to?

Michael Schual: Mitchell
Kylie Chestnut: Sammie or Finley
Nick Gibbs: I wouldn't
Emma Richter: Charlie
Alec Stogdill: Marvin
Nicholas Chen: Leon
Summer Schmuecker: I wouldn't, but I would change my last name.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of October 22, 2018

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018

1. Tickets go on Sale for Fall Musical "Beauty & the Beast" - HS office - \$5 each
2. Jr. High Wrestling Practice Begins - After School
3. MV School Board Meeting - Earlville Elementary - 5:30 PM
4. HS Varsity State Regional Volleyball at Beckman HS - MV vs Beckman - 7:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 5:45 PM)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018

1. HS Students to Career Pathways Day at NICC in Peosta - 10:00 AM (Bus Leaves at 9:15 AM)
2. 5th through 12th grade All-Band Concert - Middle School Gym - 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2018

1. 9th Grade Dental Screening - HS Fitness Room - 9:00 AM until 10:00 AM
2. Dollars for Scholars Meeting with 12th Graders - HS Library - during WIN (2:57 PM)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018

1. HS Ind. Tech. Students Class Trip to Kendrick's in Edgewood (Suburban Leaves at 8:00 AM)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018 "Show Your Support - Be DRUG FREE" - wear RED (All Students & Staff)

1. EARLY DISMISSAL - 1:05 PM - End of 1st Quarter - 46 Days
2. Red Ribbon Week Tailgate Party - HS Football Field - 11:30 AM until 1:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018

1. MV Dance Team Princess Party - Johnston Elementary School Gym - 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018

1. MV Athletic Boosters Arts & Crafts Show - MS Gym & Commons, HS Cafeteria - 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM

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:

- Andrew Hildebrand - 10/19
- Alex Digman - 10/25