

Conference speech produces champs, awards

by Leah Ries

The conference speech contest was held at Starmont last Saturday. The teams had a great day of performances with the 10-12th grade team winning the Eagle trophy, and 9th grade team placing 5th.

Seven groups received first place in their categories: One Act, 9th Radio Broadcasting, Ensemble Acting One, Group Improvisation (Katilyn Deutmeyer, Emma McDowell, Brooke Wilson, & Norman Wilson), 9th Choral Reading, 10-12 Readers Theatre, & Short Film: "The Perfect Match."

Four groups earned 2nd place in their categories: Ensemble Acting Two, Ensemble Acting Three, TV News: NOEL, & Izabel Niehaus: Solo Mime.

Four groups collected third place in their categories: Group Mime (Until Death Do Us Barf), 9th Ensemble Acting, 10-12 Choral Reading, & 9th Readers Theatre.

Four students received acting awards in the One Act category: Best Supporting Actress - Hannah Lahr, Best Supporting Actor - Andrew Kloser, Best Actress - Faith Hunt, and Best Actor - Lucas Rumbo.

Events and participants earning Division I ratings were:

Choral Reading (Five Generations of a Song): Payton Beaman, Madeline Gellersen, Emma Hill, Allie Knipper, Claire Krapfl, Maddie Lahr, Kristin Lucas, Chloe Roling, Kelsey Ries, Krista Ries, Kelly Winter

9th Choral Reading (Versus: An Origin Story): AJ Ambundo, Matthew Brehm, Kylie Chesnut, Noah DeVore, Adrienne Freiburger, Kendra Hillers, Amaya Hunt, Avery Krapfl, Liz McDowell, Amanda Mohr, Kennedy Ott, Ashtyn Porter, Leah Ries, Nolan Ries, Preston Roling

Ensemble Acting (Emergency Protocol): Morgan Hermanson, Faith Hunt, Kristin Lucas, Kelsey Ries

Ensemble Acting (Who Doth Inhabit the Primary Position): Andrew Kloser, Mason Lubben



Ensemble Acting (End of the Movie): Katilyn Deutmeyer, Norman Wilson

9th Ensemble Acting (The Fourth Locker): Keziah Ambundo, Kylie Chesnut, Carrissa Sabers

Group Improvisation 1: Katilyn Deutmeyer, Emma McDowell, Brooke Wilson, Norman Wilson

Group Improvisation 2: Zach Digman, Mitch Heims, Paige Panosh, Annisten Trenkamp

Group Improvisation 3: Evan Hoefler, Izabel Niehaus, Tate Trenkamp

9th Group Improvisation: AJ Ambundo, Keziah Ambundo, Kriya Atwell, Noah DeVore, Jordan Hogan

Group Mime 1 (I'm Coming Home): Lydia Helle, Jordyn Kemp, Kelly Winter

Group Mime 2 (Delivery Dilemma): Lexi Deutmeyer, Kailyn Hogan, Jaiden Porter

Group Mime 3 (Until Death Do Us Barf): Reece Mensen, Paige Panosh, Kim Sellner, Abbie Sheehy, Cloie Wilson

9th Group Mime (1st Day on the Job): Amanda Mohr, Kennedy Ott, Ashtyn Porter, Leah Ries, Paige Winter

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Choral reading students rehearse "Five Generations of a Song" last week. They will compete this Saturday at district competition in Cascade.

Honor band affected by weather

by Kristin Lucas

This past Monday Mr. Ford took 20 band student to the Tri-Rivers Conference Honor Band at Calamus-Wheatland, but the day was cut short when threats of freezing rain caused schools to leave early, and the concert was canceled that evening but has been rescheduled for Mar. 11.

Students who attended were Kristin Lucas, Allie Dunn, Maddie Lahr, Jaiden Porter, Kailyn Hogan, Madeline Gellersen, Paige Winter, Miguel Bojorquez, Logan Johnson, Nick Gibbs, Ashtyn Porter, Andrew Kloser, Kelly Winter, Michael VanMeter, Noah DeVore, Alex Digman, Lucas Johnson, Brian Heims and Tate Trenkamp.

They spent the day with guest band director Megan Cooney who directs at St. Ambrose University. The students still were able to learn a lot from the day. Kelly Winter said she enjoyed being able to make new friends. Maddie Lahr learned the importance of playing on the front of the beat.

Sports Connection

Girls basketball puts two more wins in the books

by Kylie Chesnut

Last Friday the lady cats traveled to Edgewood to take on the Ed-Co Vikings. They brought home a win 63-24.

"We came out pretty flat in this game. Ed-Co had a lot to do with that. They did a very good job of attacking us and moving the ball from side to side," Coach Moenck commented. At half time the team had scored 39 of their points, allowing the Vikings to score 18.

The leading scorer of this game was Sam Wall knocking down 24 of those points. Emerson Whittenbaugh also put 16 points on the boards, and Brooke Wilson scored 8 more points for the team.

Whittenbaugh pulled down 6 rebounds for the team, along with Taya Tucker, Maci Freiburger and Wall each bringing down 5. Whittenbaugh and Maddy An-

deregg got big on the defensive end and each blocked a shot in the game. Tucker led the team with 5 steals with Ella Imler and Anderegg tagging along with 4 steals each.

Coach Moenck continued, "The second half we were a lot better defensively and on the boards. We have to continue to improve in practice and in games, we have to continue to push each other to get better. It's such a great group of kids."

Tuesday night the girls basketball team took the victory over East Buchanan with a score of 64-53, with a halftime score of 33-23. This bumped their record up to 13-2.

Tonight the Lady Cats are traveling to Troy Mills to take on the North Linn Lynx.

Mady Moenck looks to make a play against Ed-Co.



Wrestling team is moving in the right direction

by Holly Offerman

Last Monday, the MV wrestling team traveled to Starmont to take on the Stars and Bellevue. The team went 0-2 for the night.

In the match with Bellevue, MV lost 24-46. Earning points for the Wildcats were Carter Kruse with a 4-1 win and Evan Elgin with a 4-2 sudden death victory. Forfeits were earned by James DeMoss, Canyon Richardson, and Michael Schaul.

In the second match with Starmont, MV lost 30-47. Winning by pin were Tim Harmon at 2:12, Kruse at 1:03 and James LeGassick at 2:34. Elgin and Anthony March won by forfeit.

Last Thursday, the team hosted Central City and Midland and went 2-0.

MV defeated Central City 54-9. Winning by pin are Schaul at 5:53 and Elgin at 3:54. Winning by forfeit were Parker Sternhagen, Harmon, LeGassick, Kruse, Devin Smith and March.

In the match against Midland, MV won 48-33. Schaul pinned his opponent at 0:59. Sternhagen won by pin at 1:08. Har-



Tim Harmon squares up with his opponent at the Cascade tournament. (photos by Lesa Parmely)

mon won by pin at 0:41, and Elgin won by pin 0:19. By forfeit, Richardson, LeGassick and Kruse won.

Last Saturday, the Wildcats competed at the Cascade Invitational. The team finished seventh out of 14 teams. Schaul finished sixth at 126. Fifth place at 138 was Sternhagen. At 152, Harmon finished third. LeGassick finished fourth at 170. Kruse finished sixth at 182. Elgin finished fourth at 195. Michael Feldmann finished fourth

at 220.

Coach Andrews commented, "I was happy with how the guys competed this week. I feel like we are moving in the right direction as a team. We left some matches out there on Saturday that we need to learn from as we move into three good weeks of practice time before post season."

The team competed at Lisbon last night. Results will be in next week's issue.

Athletes of the Week



Name: Faith Hunt
Sport: Dance

What do you enjoy most about dance team? I love being able to learn new skills like how to go about choreographing a dance.

What's the hardest part of it? The hardest part for me is getting used to dancing in front of actual people because I'm never thought of myself as a dancer.

What's your favorite routine you've ever been a part of? What did you like about it? I love doing the lifts and flips in routines because I think it's something cool that the crowd doesn't usually expect.

What's something about dance most people don't realize? Dance is just like any other art or sport, you're going to get out of it what you put in. The hardest you work, dance, and smile the better you look. You also tend to look like you're having fun too.

If you could choreograph a routine, what kind would it be and what song would you use?

It would be an upbeat song because I am not a fan of slow meaningful songs.

Faith is such a joy to have on the dance team. She always comes eager to learn and willing to help. I only wish she would've joined before her senior year. With her positive attitude and strong work ethic she's going to be successful in anything she does. - Coach Teymer

Name: Carter Kruse
Sport: Wrestling

What do you enjoy most about wrestling? Meeting new people and hanging out with my teammates

What's something about wrestling that others might not know? That it is hot in the wrestling room

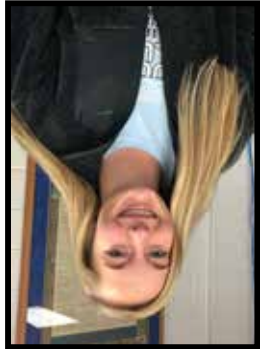
How do you mentally prepare for a match? I try clearing my mind and trying focusing on my competition

What's your goal this season? To make it to state

Who's your wrestling role model? My brother Cole



Fine Artist of the Week



Name: Emerson Whittenbaugh
Activity: Speech

What event are you in for speech?

One Act and Readers Theater

What do you enjoy most about large group speech?

Having the ability to step out of my comfort zone and do something I would have never of thought to do

What have you learned through this event?

That you really have to embrace the role you are playing and who cares what people think, you just do what you have to do and it doesn't matter to anybody but you.

Who is your speech role model?

My role model would have to be my sister Bailey because she always worked hard and achieved great things. She had a passion and I want the same.

If you could judge a large group speech event, what would it be?

I would love to judge Choral Reading because there is so much variety to be presented. It would just be interesting to see what people could come up with.

What's your favorite movie of all time?

by Mason Lubben

Mrs. Moenck: Ferris Bueller's Day Off

Lydia Helle: Any Marvel movie

Summer Schmuckert: The Parent Trap

Pedro Chavez: Django Unchained

Carter Stahlberg: Benchwarmers

Mrs. Hunt: Grease

Madison Ott: Anchorman 2

Carissa Sabers: Trolls

Chance Downs: The Green Mile

Reece Mensen: Dumpling

Jon Seibert: A Haunted House

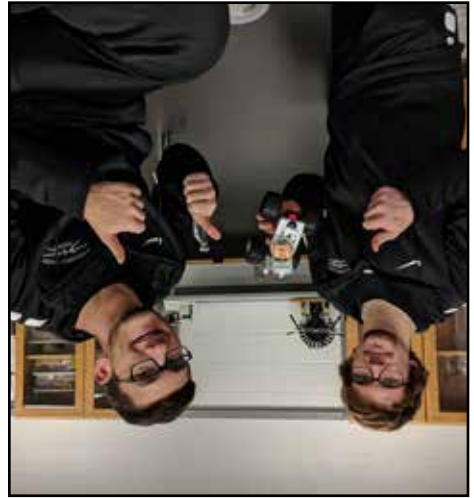
Holly Offerman: Safe Haven

what's up?

What's your favorite movie

of all time?

Mousetrap cars = learning



The AP Physics class put the rules of physics to the test as they designed mousetrap cars. Above: Blake Becker and Jon Seibert pose with their car. Below: Tate Trenkamp shows off his design. (photos by Kelly Winter)



—compiled by Lydia Helle
Comedy Corner

Knock knock.

Who's there?

Britney Spears

Britney Spears, who?

Knock knock.

Who's there?

Who's there?

Oops I did it again.

So two snare drums and a cymbal fall off a cliff...Ba Dum Tssshh

What do superheroes get in their drinks?...

Just ice

What does a nosy pepper do?...It gets jalapeno business

What's the best thing about living in Switzerland?...I don't know but the flag is a big plus

Best Buds



Sam Wall, Maddy Anderegg and Brooke Wilson

by Paige Winter

How long have you all been friends?
Since middle school

What's your favorite thing to do together?
Going to the movies or going out to eat

What's your favorite memory together?
Night swimming at Brooke's house

What's your favorite thing about each other?

Brooke: They're both good at advice for different things

Maddy: They're both easygoing

Sam: They're understanding

Do you know each other's favorite Dairy Queen Blizzard flavor?

Brooke: Maddy's is Twix, and Sam's is cookie dough

Maddy: Brooke's is brownie truffle something, and Sam's is Reese's.

Sam: Brooke's is truffle, and Maddy gets Oreo or Twix

Brain Teaser

by Mason Lubben

How many birthdays does the average man have?

Answer: One, he is only born once!

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:

Maria Cole - 1/19

Ford donates to FFA



FFA members Holli Hogan and Lane Dommeyer accepted the donation from Ford.

The Ford Drive 4 UR School Event was held on November 6, 2018 and was a huge success! Thank you to all the community members for coming out and supporting us in this event. We would also like to thank Aaron Young from Runde Ford for making this event possible. This generous donation will be allocated towards the MV FFA Greenhouse renovations.

Cutie



by Faith Hunt

This week's cutie lives on Lake Delhi and is the middle child. Her favorite movie is Thor: Ragnarok and her favorite character is Loki. She hates any kind of breakfast food and once caught a stingray fishing and kept its stinger.

Gettin' pink for Gold



Tuesday night was Pink Out night at the basketball games. The fans, band, coaches and players all donned pink to support MV's fifth grade teacher Sue Goldsmith. The wrestling team and basketball teams were able to raise \$1673.30 for her as she battles breast cancer.



Conference speech, continued

One-Act Play (#Censored): Maddy Anderegg, Lane Coyle, Layla Crippen, Alex Digman, Zach Digman, Allison Dunn, Amber Engelken, Brian Heims, Mitch Heims, Andrew Hildebrand, Evan Hoefler, Faith Hunt, Ella Imler, Logan Johnson, Andrew Kloser, Hannah Lahr, Madalynne Naab, Chloe Roling, Lucas Rumbo, Annisten Trenkamp, Sam Wall, Emerson Whittenbaugh

Radio Broadcasting (FRMR 4840): Nick Gibbs, Logan Johnson, Lucas Johnson

Radio Broadcasting (WLMT 99.9): Blake Becker, Michael Feldmann, Carter Hildebrand, James LeGassick

9th Radio Broadcasting (JOHN 102.2): Courtney Goedken, Mianna Gosche, Jordan Hogan, Carlie Lewin, Caelyn Sands, Michael Schaul, Devin Smith

Readers Theatre (How to Kiss a Girl): Lydia Helle, Andrew Hildebrand, Jordyn Kemp, Hannah Lahr, Mason Lubben, Shelby March, Emma McDowell, Lucas Rumbo, Jon Seibert, Emerson Whittenbaugh, Brooke Wilson

9th Readers Theatre (Bad Auditions by Bad Actors): Molly Anderegg, Matthew Brehm, Lane Domeyer, Adrienne Freiburger, Mianna Gosche, MacKenzie Hoefler, Amaya Hunt, Avery Krapfl, Liz McDowell, Nolan Ries, Carissa Sabers, Caelyn Sands, Brock Trenkamp, Paige Winter

Short Film (The Worst Part of TV): Maddy Anderegg, Alex Digman, Kailyn Hogan, Lucas Johnson, Claire Krapfl, Summer Schmuecker, Erika Supple, Grace Wegmann

Short Film (The Perfect Match): Emma Beitz, Lane Coyle, Allison Dunn, Nick Gibbs, Brian Heims, Emma Hill, Shelby March, Reece Mensen, Brooklyn Sands

Solo Mime (Paws for Effect): Izabel Niehaus

TV News (NOEL): Lexi Deutmeyer, Amber Engelken, Madeline Gellersen, Morgan Hermanson, Madalynne Naab, Jaiden Porter, Krista Ries, Erika Supple, Tate Trenkamp, Grace Wegmann

Events earning Division II ratings were:

TV News (OLDE): Payton Beaman, Blake Becker, Emma Beitz, Michael Feldmann, Carter Hildebrand, Maddie Lahr, Mady Moenck, Brooklyn Sands, Jon Seibert, Taya Tucker

Solo Mime (Had a Bad Day): Taya Tucker
Also performing was Group Mime 2 (Delivery Dilemma): Lexi Deutmeyer, Kailyn Hogan, Jaiden Porter

The district contest is planned to be held this coming weekend at Cascade, with the performances that receive a 1 rating moving onto the State contest. In case of inclement weather, the contest will be made up Wednesday.

Hall Smarts

by Lydia Helle



Do you know what's better than being knowledgeable about important information that you are going to use for the rest of your life? Knowing random facts about world records that will only be brought up in a conversation if you are the one to bring it up. So, this week I'm asking Emma Hill, Mason Lubben and Zoey Mulford if they know these answers to these world record questions.

What was the longest recorded flight of a chicken? (A= 0 sec. B= 6 sec. C= 13 sec. D= 24 sec.)

Emma: 13 sec.

Mason: 13 sec.

Zoey: 6 sec.

Answer: 13 seconds

What was the weight of the largest baby to be born? (A= 15 lbs. B= 18 lbs. C= 20 lbs. D= 25 lbs.)

Emma: 15 lbs.

Mason: 18 lbs.

Zoey: 25 lbs.

Answer: 15 pounds

How tall was the smallest dog ever recorded?

(A= 3 in. B= 4 in. C= 5 in. D= 6 in.)

Emma: 4 in.

Mason: 4 in.

Zoey: 4 in.

Answer: 4 inches

How long did the longest bout of hiccups last?

(A= 2 yrs. B= 35 yrs. C= 57 yrs. D= 69 yrs.)

Emma: 35 yrs.

Mason: 69 yrs.

Zoey: 35 yrs.

Answer: 69 years

What girl holds the record for having the best Hall Smarts catch phrase? The one writing this because she can! That's all for this week- "catch you on the flip side"!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of January 20, 2019

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2019

1. HS Vocal to Meistersinger Festival at Wartburg College in Waverly (Van Leaves at Noon)

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2019

1. HS T.E.L. Meeting - Auditorium - 2:55 PM (During WIN)

2. HS JV/V Boys Basketball - HOME (HS Gym) - Clayton Ridge - JV @ 6:00 PM

5. HS Vocal at Meistersinger Festival at Wartburg College in Waverly

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019

1. HS JV/V G & B Basketball - HOME (HS Gym) - Central City - JV @ 4:30 PM / V @ 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2019

1. 10th Graders to Tour JREC at Kirkwood in Monticello - 8:30 AM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2019

1. HS JV/V G & B Basketball at Monticello - JV @ 4:00 PM / V @ 6:00 PM

2. HS JV/Varsity Wrestling at MFL/MarMac - 6:00 PM (Bus at 3:30 PM)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25 2019

1. HS JV/V G & B Basketball at Alburnett - JV @ 4:30 PM / V @ 6:00 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2019

1. Tri Rivers Conference HS Wrestling Tournament at East Buchanan - Noon (Bus Leaves at 9:00 AM)