

# Wildcat Echo

A publication by the students of Maquoketa Valley High School

## Musicians aim for All-State

by Paige Winter

Most of you know how awesome the MV band and choir are this year, especially if you got out to see MV's Got Talent. But what you might not know is that a few outstanding individuals will be auditioning for All State Band and Choir tomorrow.

There are two band students and three choir students making the trip to Independence to audition tomorrow.

Band student Madeline Gellersen is auditioning on alto sax and Michael VanMeter on trombone. They both have memorized a number of scales as well as preparing two etudes (short piece of music designed to show off technique and skill) selected by the judges and a solo. They have both been practicing and preparing since summer when the etude selections came out. Madeline says that she wants to audition because it's amazing to see the progress you make throughout the process and look back to where you started, Michael says that he's auditioning simply because he loves playing and competing.

Next let's move on to choir students. These three students have been practicing for a few months now to prepare the five pieces that they will perform for auditions, and according to Noah DeVore they are "cooking along pretty well." The other two students auditioning are Emma Beitz and Keziah Ambundo. Emma says that she chose to audition to see her full potential, while Keziah says that she's excited to audition because even though the process isn't easy, it's fun to hear yourself improve. "LIKE I'm actually singing Mozart. MOZART," says Keziah. She also mentioned that though it's difficult she has improved so much that she can do it now. Her mother also made all state choir so "it would be really cool," if Keziah made it too.

So wish these five Wildcats luck as they show Independence the best of MV band and choir this weekend.

## Seniors visit courthouse and see gov't in action



Mr. Cassutt and senior government students toured the Delaware County Courthouse Tuesday. Students explored various departments and even got to see a trial. (photos by Maria Cole)

## Adv. Construction crew puts skills to test



The weather cooperated Thursday for the Advanced Construction class to work at a job site north of Manchester and pour a 10' x 16' concrete slab. The next part of the project will be to build the shed, then transport and anchor it to the foundation.

# Doyl, boys team qualify for state cross country meet, boys finish second in conference meet

by Chance Downs

Last Thursday the Maquoketa Valley Cross Country Teams traveled to Springville to compete in the 2019 Tri-Rivers Conference Meet. This meet boasted some of the best 1A and 2A competition in Eastern Iowa for both boys and girls.

The Varsity Girls kicked the night off with the Wildcats running a full team, placing 6th with a total of 122 points. Emma Doyl led the Wildcats with an 8th place finish and a time of 22:09.4. Jaiden Porter finished next in 11th place and a time of 22:25.3. Reece Mensen was next for the Wildcats in 36th place in a finishing time of 27:23.9. Jordan Hogan was right behind her in 39th place with a time of 28:45.4. Annie Trenkamp completed the Wildcat team in 43 place with a time of 30:24.8.

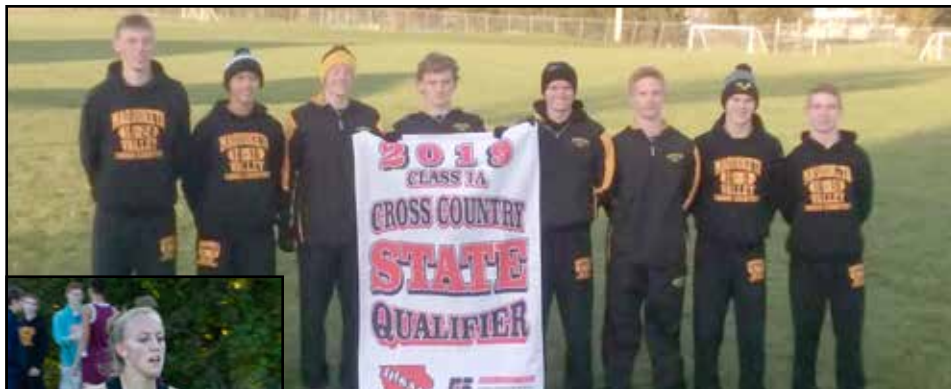
On the boys' side of the competition, the Wildcats come up just short with 39 points, placing second to a very tough Calamus Wheatland with 23 points. Michael Schaul led the Wildcats with a 17:59.5 good enough for 6th place. Cy Huber was directly behind him in 7th place with a finishing time of 18:06.9. Ethan Doyl and Nolan Ries were close behind going 9th and 10th. Doyl finished with a time of 18:14.5 and Ries with an 18:15.2. Derek Mensen and Mason Lubben kept the spread close, finishing 12th and 13th. Mensen completed his race in a time of 18:27.2 and Lubben finished his race in 18:29.1. Preston Roling rounded out the Wildcat team in 19th place with a time of 19:01.6.

Brock Trenkamp and Landin Frasher were the only Maquoketa Valley JV runners but they proved to be the best out of all of the schools, placing 1st and 2nd in their race. Trenkamp took the JV title in a time of 20:19.2 with Frasher right on his heels in a time of 21:00.2 for second.

The excitement continued last night at the harriers competed at the state qualifying meet in Iowa City.

The boys team finished third, earning them a spot at the state meet next Saturday in Fort Dodge. Emma Doyl finished 14th in 21:33 which sends her on to state as well.

The top five runners on the boys team finished within 10 seconds of one another: Huber, 18:11; Schaul, 18:16; Doyl and Ries, 18:17; Downs, 18:21; Lubben, 18:25; and Mensen, 19:06.



## On to state!

## Wildcat football takes charge on Senior Night



Seniors Isaac Kramer, Michael Feldmann, Matthew Hucker, Mason Kruse, Derek Becker, Trent Koopmann and Carter Stahlberg

by Kylie Chesnut

Friday night football team dominated the field, ending their last home football game for the season with a win against the Alburnett Pirates, with a score of 20-7.

In the game, Parker Sternhagen made 17 pass attempts, and passed for 106 yards. In those 17 attempts, Sternhagen threw the ball to Andrew Kloser, who went for 51 yards in three attempts, Trent Koopmann who went for 30 yards in 3 attempts, A.J. Ambundo who went for 24 yards in 1 attempt, and Owen Mensen gaining 1 yard in 1 attempt.

On the rushing side of the game, the boys played a strong game. Derek Becker gained 94 yards in 12 rush attempts, Sternhagen kept the ball and pushed forward 50 yards in 12 attempts, and Zach

Digman gained 7 yards in 5 rush attempts.

The Wildcats made it into the endzone 3 times. Kloser, Koopmann, and Sternhagen each scored a touchdown. He also completed a 2-point conversion.

The boys kept the game exciting on the defensive side of the game as well. There were three interceptions made by Ambundo, Mensen, and Koopmann who also gained 28 yards. There were also two fumble recoveries by Digman and Sternhagen.

Kickoff was handled by Ambundo, who kicked for 132, and he also handled punting duties, punting 90 yards.

Tonight the Wildcats will finish the season at 1st Street Stadium in Mount Vernon against the Lisbon Lions. Kick off is to be at 7:30.



# Coach Whittenbaugh harnesses talent to the court

by Allie Knipper

Maquoketa Valley's volleyball season this year has been one like no other.

Hard work, passion and determination are in the air during daily practices. The coaches feel the success and the fans are awed by the drive of the team. Many have opinions of why this program has transformed into something new and improved, but most would give credit to Coach Brandy Whittenbaugh.

This program has developed in a positive way thanks to her.

Whittenbaugh has always had a competitive drive. In high school, she participated in volleyball and basketball.

"My coaches were my role models," she said proudly of Steve Niggemeyer and Gene Klinge, who played the role of her coaches. "Coach Niggemeyer was the reason I have such a passion for volleyball. He grew my passion and I use a lot of what he taught me today."

Her competitive drive and passion made her crave her personal goals.

After high school, Whittenbaugh had a desire to continue volleyball in college, but those big plans changed. She had decided to follow her husband on his Marine Corps journey. Her volleyball passion didn't stop, though. After she graduated from college, she participated in the Women's Marine Corps team.

"I officiated at first to help the need to compete, but I ended up hating it," she said. "I wanted to get into the coaching aspect of it."

She knew when she returned to Iowa, she needed to fulfill her coaching desire.

And so she did.

She started at Oelwein High School where she coached volleyball and assisted basketball. One of her first memories coaching volleyball was defeating West Delaware, a ranked team. She also coached volleyball at Clarion-Goldfield, in western Iowa. Whittenbaugh had been fond of coaching basketball, but it was a long season.

"I enjoy the emotion that goes into the sport of volleyball and the time frame and length of this season," she said.

In the end, volleyball was the sport Whittenbaugh wanted to continue with.

Some life changes steered her to the Delaware County area. Now Whitten-

baugh holds the position of head volleyball coach at Maquoketa Valley. She chose this position because she knew of the talent here waiting to blossom.

Coming into this program, her goals consisted of building the program, having an expectation of winning and making volleyball a sport students want to play. She also felt a need for consistency in coaching.

"I think with any program consistency is key," she said.

Whittenbaugh has established what to expect out of the volleyball program and makes her players better every day.

"I don't expect talent, but I expect effort and also dedication and loyalty," she said.

Whittenbaugh has put in countless hours into the program, wanting it to be successful. This year's team takes a 14-14 record into its Class 2A regional quarterfinal Monday at Cascade (22-10).

Whittenbaugh wants her players to enjoy the game, learn respect and not fear anyone or anything.

An unexpected neck surgery has set her back from being the active coach she always has been and she's unsure what coaching will look like for her in the future. Whittenbaugh's main priority keeping herself healthy for her family.

"I do plan to continue coaching depending on my health," she said. "That's another reason why I brought Morgan Manternach in. She could take over if it doesn't allow me to continue."

For now, Whittenbaugh is doing her best and her dedication to her players and the program is appreciated by many.

The Wildcats set the high goal this year of winning the Tri-Rivers Conference West Division, something they hadn't done in 23 years. They went 6-1 in the conference to claim the title, then finished second in the conference tournament.

The ride included lots of tears, some guts and discipline and, of course, will power. But in the end, it was all worth it and now will be an annual goal for players in the future.

Whittenbaugh's success will never be forgotten.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of October 27, 2019

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019

1. Tickets for HS Fall Musical, "Bright Star" go on sale - Please contact someone in the High School Office
2. HS FFA "Send Off" to National Convention - Aud - 12:20 PM to 12:30 PM
3. HS Varsity State Regional Volleyball at Cascade HS - MV vs Cascade - 7:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 5:45 PM)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2019

1. HS FFA at National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana (10/29 through 11/2)
2. 12th Graders to REAL LIFE ACADEMY - MV Aud - 8:30 AM until 11:00 AM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2019

1. 2nd Round State Regional HS Volleyball at Cascade High School

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2019

1. High School and Middle School 1st Quarter Grades Due in Power School

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2019

1. HS State Cross Country Meet in Fort Dodge

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2019

1. MV HS Post Prom Party Committee Making Pies - HS Cafeteria/Kitchen - 9:00 AM
2. Daylight Savings Time Ends - Turn Your Clocks BACK One Hour

# what's up?

## What is your favorite Halloween costume that you have ever worn?

by Paige Winter

Emilee Supple: a doctor

Andrew Kloser: An iron man costume with built-in muscles

Annie Trenkamp: I was a mom with 2 kids

Ethan Doyl: a zombie

Caleb Livingston: A train conductor

Amanda Mohr: Zombie

Cy Huber: phantom

Zach Mineart: A pumpkin

Anna Deutmeyer: A fairy

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*Mianna Gosche & Isabel Landas*



**You've been nominated for your work on your slow-motion project in Photography class. What are you doing?** It's a stop motion project, Finger Parkour. Parkour Jim is walking and driving hot wheels in the school.

**What do you enjoy most about the class?** Mianna: The atmosphere of the class is a nice way to start my morning, and Mr. Dunlap is very easy-going and kind.

Isabel: I enjoy this class because it relaxes me and makes my day have a positive start. Since Mr. Dunlap is out going and caring the atmosphere in the room is calming.

**What skills have you honed by being in the class?**

Mianna: In Photography class I have learned how to hold the camera properly and use good photo composition.

Isabel: I learned how to properly hold a camera, as well as learn how to use Photoshop.

## Fine Artists of the Week

Name: Michael VanMeter

Activity: Band



**You are auditioning for All-State this weekend. What made you decide to audition?** I never really decided as I love playing my trombone and performing. Mr. Ford gave me the music for All-State and I just practiced for fun.

**How have you prepared?** I have been practicing all of my scales for the trombone for the last two years, two predetermined pieces of music called etudes, and my solo called "Morceau Symphonique."

**What have you gained from this process?** I have improved a lot at trombone. I have a much better tone and music reading ability.

Name: McKenna Thompson

Activity: Fall musical



**What role do you play in the musical?** I play Lucy Grant

**What's your favorite part of the show?**

I either like the song "Whoa Mama" or the ending scene I am in.

**What's your favorite memory from rehearsals?** I liked learning new choreography for the song I sing, and joking around with everyone before and after rehearsal.

**If you could play any role in any musical, what would it be?** Either Mary in *Mary Poppins*, or Ariel in *The Little Mermaid*.

**How has participating in the musical affected you?** It's gotten me out of my comfort zone, and I've made so many new friendships I didn't think I would have!



## Athletes of the Week

Name: A.J. Ambundo

**What do you enjoy most about football?**

I love the mental aspect of football. You have to be 100% bought in and there is no time for you to let up. You have to forget about your one bad play and you have to be mentally prepared for the next play.

**What lessons about life have you learned from the sport?** Life isn't always going to go your way. You have to be able to fight through the tough times and realize that you have to fail in order to succeed. It is truly a team sport. Everybody needs to do their job in order to get that one big play. If one person fails to do so, it doesn't usually have a positive outcome.

**How have you changed as an athlete over the past few years?** I've completely bought in to the sports I compete in. Most of the work I've done happens outside of practice. It doesn't matter if it's 30 minutes or if it's four hours. In the long run, it has made me so much better at the sports I compete in. Another thing is getting in the weight room. It truly boosts your performance overall, and it makes you feel good about yourself when you're finally strong enough to hit somebody or finally able to dunk.

**Why is football a sport worth going out for?** Football is a game that can be very much compared to life. You can have everything going right for you, but still never find the outcome that you want. It also has a huge mental impact on you in both a positive and negative way. You experience a lot of pain, but you also experience a lot of joy and happiness, and you're going to have to fight through the pain in order to experience the joy.

**Who is your football role model?** I can't choose one person, but my role models would be Ryan Parmely, LaDainian Tomlinson, and Braxton Miller.

## Career exploration

The juniors participated in a career fair at MV Wednesday. The event, coordinated by Holly Maurer with NICC and Mrs. Moenck and Mrs. DeVore, gave students an opportunity to visit with professionals in various field. **Left: Andrew Hildebrand, Bryan Wilson and Luke Richter talk with Jeff Domeyer of Precision Collision.**





## ACADEMIC CORNER

by Paige Winter

As a sophomore currently taking Mrs. DeVore's speech class, I could have told you some of the things that we do, and skills that we work on in this class, but I think it's better to hear it from Mrs. DeVore herself.

First off, she says that her favorite parts about teaching speech is being able to listen to students' ideas and interests because they are able to pick their own topics for their speeches. However, something that you might not know about Mrs. DeVore is that if she wasn't teaching speech/English, she would be teaching art.

But let's get back to speech class. Through taking this class, students work on different presentational skills, learn how to focus on self-improvement, and learn how to listen to others. They also learn how to be students with good integrity because they have to practice on their own and in front of others to fill out a practice assignment for each speech.

But the most important skill that speech students learn is simply how to communicate with others. This is also how this class helps prepare kids for life after high school. Whether doing a job interview, talking to your doctor, or your mechanic, or even your friends and family, communication is a skill that you will need for the rest of your life. Speech class also teaches students to communicate not only face to face, but also in writing.

Mrs. DeVore encourages to take this class not only because it's required, but also because "you can't be a mime in your parents' basement for the rest of your life." Communication is vital for everyone for the rest of their lives. So whether you are an upperclassman who has already taken speech, a sophomore currently in it, or a freshman waiting for speech class, hopefully you learned a little about why it's so important and a little bit more about Mrs. DeVore.

## MV TEL-ALL

by Lydia Helle

**1.3** million young people reported binge drinking on 5 or more days over the past month.

*Information came from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism*

## Brain Teaser

by Mason Lubben

Two sisters we are, one is dark and one is fair,  
In twin towers dwelling we're quite the pair,  
One from land and one from sea,  
Tell us truly, who are we?

Answer: Salt and Pepper

## Little Comics

compiled by Lydia Helle

What is a cow's favorite subject?...Moosic  
-Gage Camp, 3rd Grade

Why do graveyards have fences?...Because people are dying to get in!  
-Ethan Crowley, 3rd Grade

Knock, knock.  
Who's there?  
Orange.  
Orange who?  
Orange you glad I didn't say banana?  
-Mallori Ambundo, 3rd Grade

Why did the cow cross the street?...To go to the moo-vie theater.  
-Tyler Beitz, 3rd Grade

What is a pirate's favorite letter?...Arrr!  
-Sellah Ambundo, 5th Grade  
Knock, knock.  
Who's there?  
Boo.  
Boo who?  
Why are you crying? It's just a joke.  
-Saydee Andrews

Knock, knock.  
Who's there?  
Boo.  
Boo who?  
Why are you crying? The day's almost over!  
-Ever Botos, 5th Grade

Why are people who have bad eyesight excited about this coming year?...Because then they'll have 2020 vision!  
-Kolin Cole

## Cutest Couple



Teige Hunt & Maddie Roling

By Klynn Clary

Where did you first meet?

Delaware County Fair

First impression?

Maddie: At first we didn't talk much but later I found out he was really sweet and wanted to get to know him more.

Teige: Pretty fun

How long have you been together?

2 months

What's your favorite place to eat?

Maddie: Anywhere that has non spicy food.

Teige: The cone shop because she can't make me try anything weird there.

What's your favorite thing to do together?

Maddie: Probably car rides together or watching "Stranger Things."

Teige: Show her the lake.

Best memory?

Maddie: When we watched the fireworks on the lake.

Teige: When I went to fast over a gravel hill and she freaked out because her stomach dropped too much.

What's your favorite thing about the other person?

Maddie: Above anything his personality and who he is are amazing to me.

Teige: She likes to go drifting with me and thinks it's fun

## Comedy Corner

—compiled by Lydia Helle

When asked how he was feeling, what did the pumpkin say?...I'm vine, thank you.

What are gourds afraid of?...Things that go pump-kin the night.

How do you fix a gourd?...With a pumpkin patch

What do you call a pretty pumpkin?...Gourdgeous

What do you call an athletic pumpkin?...A jock o' lantern

# The Trail of Terror: An insider's view

by Kailyn Hogan

The silver moon shone above us as we shuffled our way reluctantly--anxiously--through the line. People intermingled with their cohorts to ignore the ever present woods before them. The wind howled through the branches, and it ripped at the leaves. We could just see the lake between the breaks in the trees, another part of our entrapment. It glowed ominously, mocking our fear. Our breaths formed clouds of fog twirling their way up to the stars. Up was the only way out. This was the Trail of Terror.

It's the week before October first and, as far as Jaiden Porter is concerned, it is far too early to be thinking about Halloween. Unfortunately, her family is known for their extravagant Halloween displays. Frightened children flee from the scene every year. As a child, I'd drag my candy bucket up the cement stairs to the horrors that awaited me before their house. A coffin lay to my right and another towered over me to the left. From previous experience, I knew to stay away from the right coffin. Unfortunately, the animated skeletons always proved too terrifying. I would veer to my right, and--BOOM! There comes Uncle in the coffin. It was the Porter family's ability to scare the living fright out of little children -- myself included -- that resulted in them being asked to help with the Trail of Terror.

The Trail of Terror had its debut run last year, and with attendance being surprisingly high, it will continue to be an annual tradition. The event is held at Delhi Silver Lake Trail the Saturday before Halloween. This would be October 27th last year and October 26th this year. In consideration to the younger citizens of the community, the Trail of Terror hosts two different haunts. The first, starting at six at night, is a light scare. The "very scary" session begins immediately after the light scare ends at seven. You may have seen the bright orange poster displayed by the water fountain in the cafeteria that hosts this information. The Trail of Terror was first thought up by the Delhi Betterment Committee. This committee is a group of older women -- and honorary member Brendon Porter -- who wish to see Delhi thrive.

The trail itself is around a mile long. At the start, a sharp right turn keeps the participants from walking straight into the frigid lake. The path continues on with



twists and turns maneuvering them away from brush piles and dug up roots. The smell of driftwood and algae follows the adventurous on their way, and the aromas make themselves well known at the first dock. While it was installed just over two years ago, the wooden planks have rotted and left gaping holes in the once solid walkway. Flooding routinely flips the dock. The everyday wear and tear and has left it ominous even without a full moon.

The Porters' challenge here was to find a way to tie in every nook and cranny of the trail to a Halloween theme. Weeks went by before the group -- the Porter's, the planning committee, and 30 some citizens -- were able to settle on a theme. The release of the horror movie "It" helped the group reach a solution as well. As Halloween aficionados, the Porter family already had a closet full of props and costumes. To them, it really didn't matter what the theme was. The Porters were going to have something tucked away that worked.

According to Jaiden, last year on the starting day of the Trail of Terror, "We [the group] decorated the trail and went through how the night was going to happen." The group left no stone unturned. "We went through the trail making the finest details perfect to scare." As the clock chimed down to starting hour, the group of "Scarers" began to prepare themselves. Ashtyn Porter coated her skin in stark white paint, and she etched on a large red grin. Rattling her hair into a ball, she was the perfect embodiment of Pennywise. Her sister, Jaiden, streamed fake blood from her mouth and rubbed dirt on her clothes. To-

gether, the two were to hide amongst a parade of red balloons. Brenden Porter, their father, had put on his best Freddy Krueger costume complete with a red striped shirt and scissor hands.

Jaiden recalls that, while scaring people was exhilarating, it was even more fun to sit around a bonfire and talk about her own scares with other people. "We all laughed while enjoying hot chocolate and eating cookies." When asked if she would help out again, Jaiden said she would still rather be on the victim's side. "I would rather go through it with my friends."

## Cutie

by Maria Cole

This week's cutie is a Senior! She lives in Earlville, Iowa and has three siblings, all of them brothers! She currently has no pets but desperately wants one. Her favorite subject is English and some of her hobbies include making TikToks, eating, and watching Jane the Virgin on Netflix. Her favorite food is cheddar wurst and Hu-Hot (she can't decide)!



*Last week's Cutie was Abbie Sheehy.*



## Meet the Freshmen



### Sheri, Lucas & Avery

Name: Lucas Orcutt  
 Siblings: Calvin & Marlaina  
 Activities you plan to be in: football, basketball, track, FFA, also in Iowa Prep Basketball  
 Favorite subject: history or AG  
 Career aspirations: own an AG business and farm  
 Hobbies: playing video games (Madden, NBA 2K, Farming Simulator, & Minecraft), riding dirt bikes, and hanging out with friends  
 Something cool about you: I talk like my brother.

Name: Sheri Mast  
 Siblings: Mikie & Frankie  
 Activities you plan to be in: band  
 Favorite subject: science  
 Career aspirations: something where I can work well with others but be by myself  
 Hobbies: watching Netflix & exploring outside  
 Something cool about you: I have a pet turtle.

Name: Avery Holtz  
 Siblings: Ali, Ashley, Abby, Andrew, Anderson, & Ava  
 Activities you plan to be in: basketball & baseball  
 Favorite subject: business or earth science  
 Career aspirations: marketing, real estate, NBA player would be cool too.  
 Hobbies: basketball & hanging out with friends  
 Something cool about you: I played on a basketball AAU team called Iowa Prep since 6th grade.

typist: Allie Knipper

## Best Buds

Brooke Elgin, Emma Hill, and Grace Wegmann

by Leah Ries

How long have you been friends?

Brooke: we have been friends since second grade but we have gotten a lot closer this year.  
 Emma: we have been friends since around second but we have gotten closer throughout our high school years. This year we have been bffs.

Grace: second grade when I came to Earlville but this year we have gotten a lot closer.

What was your first thought of the other people when you met them?

Brooke: I thought Emma was shy but I came to realize she was the total opposite and doesn't shut up. She is constantly talking. I thought Grace was always mad but that's just how she looks all the time. Grace is actually really talkative and fun when she isn't "hangry."

Emma: I thought Grace was weird and I thought Brooke was weirder than Grace. It is still true to this day. I am the only normal one.

Grace: I thought Brooke had an obsession with headbands and Emma was the "nice" girl of the class.

What is your favorite memory together?

Brooke: Emma trying to play basketball in my basement and just chucking the ball at the hoop. Grace and I realized at that moment she wasn't athletic at all.

Emma: All the time spent together before football games... I work on homework and they nap.

Grace: Girls night at bdubs...without Emma.

Where is your favorite place to spend time together?

Brooke: We spend most of our time at my house. Most of the time they usually just show up without telling me their coming and eat all my food so we have nothing in the house.

Emma: Brooke's house because of the food that Brenda makes for us and her floor is really comfortable.

Grace: Brooke's house because of Terry and Brenda and the fruit snacks.

What are the other friends biggest pet peeves?

Brooke: Grace's biggest pet peeve is Emma saying she's going to do something with us but then backing out because of online classes. Emma's biggest pet peeve is when she has music appreciation to do.

Emma: Grace's biggest pet peeve is Brooke, and Brooke's biggest is us two.

Grace: Brooke's is Emma's driving, and Emma's is music appreciation.

Where do you see the others in ten years?

Brooke: I could see Grace getting in lots of fist fights with girls and Emma still living with her parents and working at Fareway.

Emma: I see Grace in jail and Brooke living in her parents' basement

Grace: I can see Brooke in a house with just a ton of dogs and Hallmark movies and Emma grading papers and eating ice cream.

Who is most likely to become famous?

Brooke: Grace because she could be in a soap opera with all her problems that she has.

Emma: Myself.

Grace: None of them.



## Hall Smarts

by Lydia Helle

Because it's spooky

szn, I thought I would come up with a little trivia about something that is pretty big



when it comes to Halloween - the pumpkin. This week, I asked Noah DeVore, Ella Mensen, and Carissa Sabers if they knew these pumpkin facts.

What is cucurbitophobia?

Noah: Fear of birds

Ella: Fear of cars

Carissa: Fear of crazy people

Answer: Fear of pumpkins

Is a pumpkin a vegetable or a fruit?

Noah: Fruit

Ella: Vegetable

Carissa: Vegetable

Answer: It's the fruit of a pumpkin vine

What movie was the word "pumpkin" first used in?

Noah: Cinderella

Ella: Cinderella

Carissa: Halloweentown

Answer: Cinderella

True or False: Pumpkins are grown on every continent.

Noah: False

Ella: False

Carissa: False

Answer: False- they are not grown in Antarctica

That's all for this week- "catch you on the flip side!"