

TEL speaks with county leaders



by **Tristan Wrisley, TEL member**

On November 12, six members of MV TEL went to the County Supervisors' meeting and asked that they sign a proclamation declaring the week of November 17-22, Tobacco/Nicotine Awareness Week. Those attending were Adrienne Freiburger, Tristan Wrisley, Shea Burcham, Grace Rowan, Kylie Chesnut and Liz McDowell.

The Supervisors asked a few questions about what our group does. Adrienne Freiburger talked about the Dallas

trip last summer. They asked if we thought, now that all these incidents have happened with vapes/ Juul, if we as students were taking it more seriously in our community. We heard about a supervisor's journey with alcohol addiction and how it almost ruined his marriage. However, he cleaned himself up and started a life that does not include alcohol but instead includes improving his community to make it a safer place for families and youth.

Musicians gather with conference vocalists



The MV students who participated in the Tri-Rivers Conference Honor Choir on Nov. 19th at Bellevue Marquette Catholic were, front row: Brylie Pohlman, Emma Beitz, Carlie Lewin, Mianna Gosche, Keziah Ambundo, Mrs. Mueller; middle row: Jordan Hogan, Brock Trenkamp, Domarius Stickland, Andrew Kloser, Jackson Hunter-Wagner; back row: Emma Doyl, Annisten Trenkamp, Paige Panosh, Nicholas Chen, Jake Hosmer, and Noah DeVore (compiled by Paige Panosh)

High School Schedule for 11/26

8:00 - 8:32 Period 1 All Students Attend
*Dismiss Seniors to Auditorium at 8:25
8:35 - 9:04 Period 2
*Seniors in Aud with Keith Kramer for Dollars for Scholars Presentation
*9-11 In Period 2 Class
-Will dismiss students in grades 9-11 to auditorium for Dollars for Scholar Presentation when seniors are done
9:07 - 9:36 Period 3
*Grades 9-11 Dollars for Scholars Presentation
*Seniors - 3rd Period Class
*Senior Student Council Members set-up games
9:37 - 10:00 All Students & Staff report to the gym for Dance team performance
10:00 - 10:15 Pie in the Face
*Student council draws names for pie in the face for Mr. Osterhaus, Mr. Arnold, and Lydia Helle. All proceeds for tickets bought will be donated to JDRE. Students & Staff can buy tickets in the HS office.
10:30 - 12:00 Student Council Games
Coloring
Board Games / Cards
Games in Gym
Spike Ball in Wrestling Room
12:00 - 12:30 Lunch
12:30 - 1:00 Student Council Games

Food drive success

by **Maria Cole**

Well, Wildcats, we have once again seen an amazing turnout for this year's food drive! Now, let's get to the totals and the winners!

For the high school, with a whopping 81 items, the Seniors take the top spot for most items donated! The staff followed close behind with a total of 42 items. Great job! As for the underclassmen:

Freshmen: 11 items

Sophomores: 22 items

Juniors: 32 items

All together, we collected 188 items. We also managed to collect \$36.50 in monetary donations! Thank you so much to everyone who donated this year for the Principles of Management food drive! Rock on!

ACADEMIC CORNER

by Paige Winter

Mrs. Downs is one of the very versatile teachers at our school. All of you have seen her in middle school health and FCS, and some may have taken her foods classes at some point in your high school career. She also teaches Health 1 and 2, Interior Design, Child Development, and Independent Living.

But out of all these classes what you may not have known is that Mrs. Downs' favorite class to teach is Advanced Fashion Design. She says that she loves fashion design because "all we do is sew." As many of you know Mrs. Downs is a big seamstress; some of you may even get your prom dresses altered by her. She says that kids not only learn how to sew but also how to read patterns and you may even find a new hobby you enjoy because "you see instant success."

She encourages you to take this class because you can find a lifelong passion for sewing and after high school taking this course can help you save money in the future when you know how to fix your own clothes.

Hands-on learning off campus

In early November the Advanced Construction class got some hands-on experience with masonry at Seedorff Masonry, Inc.

Above right: Garrett Lahr and Zach Digman put their mortar and brick skills to the test.

Below right: Mason Billings gets some guidance on proper masonry.

Students earn PowerPoint certification



Shout out to Carter Hildebrand, Mason Lubben, Maria Cole, Mason Kruse, and Devante Strickland for passing their first Microsoft Office Specialist exam in PowerPoint.



Sports Connection

Volleyball Post-Season Honors

All-Conference

1st team-

Emerson Whittenbaugh

Taya Tucker

2nd team-

Carissa Sabers

Ella Imler

Honorable Mention-

Allie Knipper

We also have senior athletes that have earned Academic All State (27 or higher ACT and 3.7 and higher GPA)

Those seniors are:

Lydia Helle

Shelby March

Kailyn Hogan

Overall as a team 9-12th we earned the Academic Distinguished Award- an overall GPA as a team 3.6975

Conference Coach of the Year: Coach Whittenbaugh

Football Team Awards

Coaches Award: Zach Digman and Parker Sternhagen

Wildcat Player of the Year: Trent Koopmann

Wildcat Leadership Award: Trent Koopmann

Special Teams Player of the Year: A.J. Ambundo

Defensive Player of the Year: Trent Koopmann

Offensive Player of the Year: Parker Sternhagen

JV Coaches Award: Tanner DeMoss

JV Wildcat Player of the Year: Devin Smith

JV Defensive Player of the Year: Lucas Orcutt

JV Offensive Player of the Year: Landon Deutmeyer

Football: Some post-season notes

Congratulations to the following Wildcats on being selected as an All-District Football player by the district head coaches. Here is some end of the season information as well.

Final District Standings

MFL, Mar-Mac.....9-0, 5-0

Ed-Co.....7-2, 4-1

Maq Valley.....3-6, 3-2

Lisbon.....4-5, 2-3

Alburnett.....1-8, 1-4

Clayton Ridge.....0-9, 0-5

MFL- Mar-Mac, Ed-Co, North Linn and Monticello all advanced to the playoffs.

According to the BC Moore Ratings, we finished 25th out of 61 teams in Class A. Finishing ahead of many teams with more wins than us because of our tough schedule. In the IHSAA RPI we finished 39th out of 62 teams.

Here are the Wildcats who earned All-District Honors.

1st Team All-District

Parker Sternhagen Offense (Utility/Athlete)

-Parker led the District in total yards (1,757) and TD's (18).

Michael Feldmann Offense (Offensive Lineman)

-The anchor of our offensive line and he battled through a lingering knee issue all year.

Trent Koopmann Offense (Wide Receiver)

-Trent led the district in Receptions (40) and was 2nd in Yards (433)

AJ Ambundo Offense (Wide Receiver)

-Tied for 3rd with (23) Receptions and was 3rd in yards (414)

Andrew Kloser Defense (Linebacker)

-Andrew was 9th overall in the District and 2nd on our team with 53.5 Total Tackles.

2nd Team All-District

Derek Becker Offense (Running Back)

-Derek led the team in rushing yards (515) and ended the regular season with the 5th most yards in the district.

Carter Stahlberg Offense (Offensive Lineman)

-Carter brought toughness to our team. He never wanted to come off the field and played hard every single snap.

Zach Digman Defense (Defensive Lineman)

-Zach played a lot of snaps on both sides of the ball and his motor was always going. Zach finished with 34.5 Total Tackles and 8 Tackles for Loss.

Carter Kruse Defense (Defensive Lineman)

-Carter was tough to block for our opponents. He finished with 19.5 Tackles, 2.5 for Loss and an Assisted Sack. The numbers don't show the disruption he caused on defense for us.

Owen Mensen Defense (Defensive Back)

-Owen finished with 24 Tackles and tied for 3rd in the District with 3 Interceptions.

Honorable Mention All-District

Timmy Harmon

-Timmy played Center and Middle Linebacker for us. He played a ton of snaps this year. Effort was never a question.

Andrew Holtz

-Andrew came back out for the first time since 5th grade. He provided the team with another receiver to throw too and was a guy we could play at multiple spots in defense. 2 Interceptions on the season and both were huge highlight type plays against Monticello. —by Coach Arnold

Winter sports team gear up for big seasons

Girls basketball

Coach Moenck is back at the helm and knows that he's looking for players to fill some big shoes after a 20-3 overall (11-1 in the conference) season last year.

"We talked with our kids that we have to do it collectively, that each person will have to add something extra to make up for what we lost," Moenck stated. "We have a lot of girls who can do many different things on the floor. This is such a great group to be around. As always, the kids here put high expectations on themselves and have some very high goals."

The team returns second team all-conference player Ella Imler. First team all-conference player Emerson Whittenbaugh is sidelined with a knee injury.

Coach Moenck predicts North Linn and East Buchanan may be the toughest conference opponents.

"We have the potential to be very, very good as well, but we will have to be ready to go every night," Moenck stated.

Boys basketball

With only one senior on the team, Coach Conner knows he has a young team to work with, but many of them come with some valuable playing experience.

"Our guys have put in a lot of work both individually and as a team, so I am excited to see our hard work put to use this season," Conner stated. "We are going to continue to make mistakes, but I would expect to see some great maturation from a lot of our guys."

Andrew Holtz, second team all-conference returns.

Coach Conner indicated North Linn, Alburnett and Ed-Co will be tough conference foes.

"We can compete with any of the teams on our side of the league, but we have to play our style of basketball at the best of our ability each night," Conner said.

Wrestling

The wrestling team is now under the direction of Kurt Hatfield, and he can see strengths in the team in their unity and desire for continuous improvement.

"Each one of our wrestlers will work on improving every day in practice, work on holding themselves accountable and know what they are worth," Hatfield stated.

He predicts Lisbon, North Linn and Alburnett will lead the conference.



Returning letter-winners for Maquoketa Valley girls basketball, first row from left: Paige Winter, Kennedi Ott, Brooke Elgin, Ella Imler, Kylie Chesnut and Emma Richter. Second row: Carissa Sabers, Taya Tucker, Emerson Whittenbaugh, Liz McDowell and Avery Krapfl.



Returning letter-winners for Maquoketa Valley boys basketball, first row from left: Owen Mensen, Andrew Holtz and Mason Lubben. Second row: A.J. Ambundo, Andrew Hildebrand, Miguel Bojorquez and Isaac Zirtzman. (photos courtesy of Pete Temple, *The Monticello Express*)



Returning letter-winners for Maquoketa Valley wrestling, from left: Tim Harmon, Michael Schaul, Carter Kruse, Evan Elgin, James DeMoss and Parker Sternhagen.

Preserving a dynasty: MV welcomes new head wrestling coach

by Carter Hildebrand

Maquoketa Valley wrestling has a long-standing tradition of success. Over the last five seasons, four state champions have been crowned under the direction of Tim Andrews. After last season, Coach Andrews resigned from his position. This gave Kurt Hatfield, the middle school wrestling coach, a chance to move up the ranks and take the reins on preserving this wrestling dynasty.

From a young age, Hatfield has been living the sport of wrestling. When he was very young, Kris Lenz, a youth wrestling coach, urged him to go out. With support from his mom, stepdad, and other family members, he decided to give it a shot and has never looked back. Hatfield recalled, "I was drawn to the competitiveness. You had to be better and stronger than that kid in competition. And in wrestling, you get what you earn. You get out of it what you put into it."

Hatfield continued to use this motivation through high school as he competed at the Iowa High School State Wrestling Championships in his junior year for West Delaware. However, when wrestling at the district competition his senior year, he suffered a season-ending shoulder injury.

After a brief time in college, Hatfield entered the workforce but wanted to get back on the mat. Coaching appeared to be the easiest way to accomplish this. With a little encouragement from Jody, his wife, he received his coaching authorization in early 2009. He first approached Coach Voss, his high school coach, in hopes of becoming an assistant to help build his dynasty. Coach Voss repeatedly told him that he wasn't ready. Finally, on his third attempt, Mr. Hatfield was granted an assistant coaching position for the 2009-2010 season.

While at West Delaware, Hatfield learned many valuable lessons about coaching. The most important included goal setting. He discovered goal setting pushed wrestlers to do their best in all facets of life. However, he still wasn't satisfied. After the retirement of Maquoketa Valley's middle school coach Mike Beatty, Hatfield was hired for the position. He proclaimed, "MV has some of the best parents, teachers, coaches, volunteers, school and program supporters around. Their dedication, support, and drive can rival the best." He knew that he had found his new home.



Coaches Brian Wegmann, Kurt Hatfield and Zach Muller (along with Jeff Kuhens, not pictured) will lead the wrestling program this year.

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—Coach Hatfield

Two years later, once again another position opened up: the head high school wrestling coach.

As with all jobs, a higher position means more responsibilities. This position is certainly no exception. In this job, Hatfield will have to "line everything up, keep track of the kids' weights, keep the program on track, and make sure the schedule is correct" to have a successful season.

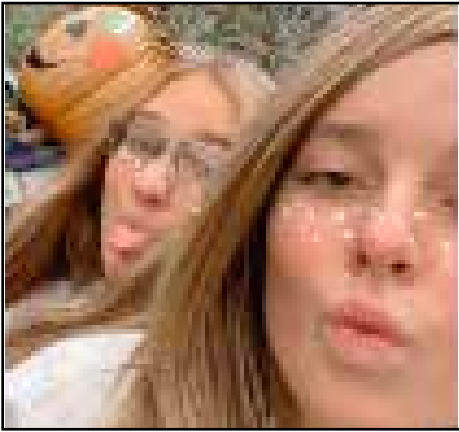
To help with all of these tasks, Hatfield has surrounded himself with a tremendous team of assistant coaches. He is joined by former assistant coach and MV alumnus, Brian Wegmann. A new face joins the team as well with the addition of West Delaware graduate and 2013 state runner up, Zach Muller. Through these coaches, he will give each and every one of the wrestlers the individual attention that they will need to grow.

Backed by a solid base of returning talent, Hatfield hopes to bring Maquo-

keta Valley Wrestling back into the state tournament spotlight. However, above all else, he looks to re-establish the hard-working culture that is essential to the health of the school as a whole.

With all of these pieces in place, Coach Hatfield is ready for the season to get underway in November. "As a new head coach at MV, I'm excited. In a traditionally strong wrestling program, this is a new era."

Best Buds



Brianna Fischer & Trista Elgin

by Leah Ries

How long have you been friends?

Bri: A long time

Trista: Since 2004

What is your favorite memory together?

Bri: Mt. Olympus

Trista: Going to Mt. Olympus

What is your biggest pet peeve of the other person?

Bri: When she takes my phone without me knowing

Trista: She never lets me win an argument

What is the other person's favorite food?

Bri about Trista: Chicken Strips

Bri's favorite: Pizza

Trista about Bri: Mac n Cheese

Trista's favorite: Ramen

What is your favorite thing to do together?

Bri: Hang out at her house

Trista: Hang out at my house

Cutie

by Maria Cole

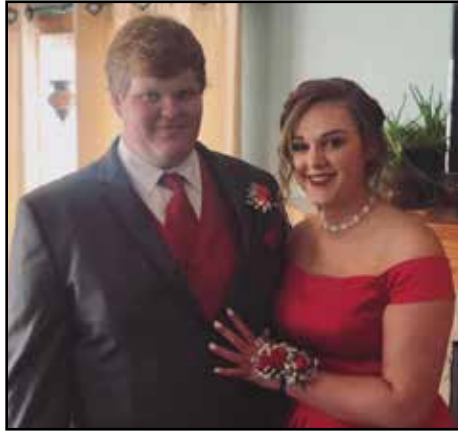
This week's cutie is a junior! She lives in Earlville and has one younger sister. She also has three cats and one dog! Her favorite time at school is lunch, and she is also currently involved in band.

Her hobbies include hanging out with her boyfriend.



Our last Cutie was Holli Hogan.

Cutest Couple Brain Teaser



Holly Offerman & Dan Kluesner

by Maria Cole

Where did you first meet?

Koyler Kruse's bonfire

First impressions?

Holly: He was this crazy, "bad kid," and all my friends said I shouldn't talk to him lol

Dan: "That ur cute"

How long have you been together?

Over 2 years

Where's your favorite place to eat?

Holly: Hu Hot or J & D

Dan: Hu Hot

What's your favorite thing to do together?

Holly: Eat food and hang out with our friends

Dan: Eating

Best memory?

Holly: There's way too many

Dan: Too many

What's your favorite thing about the other person?

Holly: How he's so sweet and respectful

Dan: "Uh your hair"

MV TEL-ALL

by Lydia Helle

Of the 4,358 deaths of people under the age of 21 where alcohol was a factor,

492 of those deaths were suicides.

Information came from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

by Mason Lubben

There is a 10 foot tall ladder on the side of a ship. The rungs of the ladder are 1 foot apart. If water rises 1 foot per hour, how long will it take to cover the ladder?

Answer: It will never reach the top because the boat will continue to float on top of the water!

Little Comics

by Lydia Helle

What did one basket say to the other?...

Let's go to the Nets game.

-Seth Dugan, 5th Grade

What do you get when you cross a peach with a monkey?...

An ape-ricot

-Alaina Leytem, 5th Grade

What's a cat's favorite color?...

Purr-ple

-Kaen Goodman, 3rd Grade

Knock knock.

Who's there?

Want.

Want who?

Now count to three.

-Gracin Harris, 3rd Grade

Where does a cow eat?...

A calf-eteria

-Kourtney Hatfield, 3rd Grade

Knock knock.

Who's there?

Will you remember me in a second?

Yes.

Will you remember me in a minute?

Yes.

Will you remember me in an hour?

Yes.

Will you remember me in a day?

Yes.

Will you remember me in a week?

Yes.

Will you remember me in a month?

Yes.

Will you remember me in a year?

Yes.

Knock knock.

Who's there?

You said you would remember me!

-Leah Goodman and Chase Krogman, 5th Grade

Grade

Hall Smarts

by Lydia Helle

Since this week is Thanksgiving, I thought I would test some students on their Thanksgiving trivia. Here are Jaiden Porter, Jeremy Weber, and Paige Winter answers to these trivia questions.



How long did the first Thanksgiving last?

Jaiden: 1 day

Jeremy: 3 days

Paige: 1 week

Answer: 3 days

Which president made Thanksgiving an annual holiday?

Jaiden: Abraham Lincoln

Jeremy: Andrew Jackson

Paige: John Adams

Answer: Abraham Lincoln

What state raises the most turkeys?

Jaiden: Indiana

Jeremy: Kentucky

Paige: Nebraska

Answer: Minnesota

What meat did the Pilgrims bring to the first Thanksgiving?

Jaiden: Turkey

Jeremy: Deer

Paige: Turkey

Answer: Deer

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

Comedy Corner

—compiled by Lydia Helle

Why did the police arrest the turkey?...

They suspected fowl play.

What is a turkey's favorite dessert?...Peach
gobbler

What kind of music did the Pilgrims listen
to?...Plymouth rock

Why did the turkey cross the road twice?...

To prove he wasn't chicken

Meet the Freshmen



Shea & Amberlyn

Name: Shea Burcham

Siblings: none

Activities you plan to be in: volleyball,
teacher assisting, band, & TEL

Favorite subject: Spanish 1

Career aspirations: veterinarian or photog-
rapher

Hobbies: driving four wheelers, hanging
out with friends, & boating

Something cool about you: I can hold a
conversation with almost anyone.

Name: Amberlyn Farrell

Siblings: none

Activities you plan to be in: track, jazz
band, pit orchestra, & marching band

Favorite subject: math

Career aspirations: music therapist

Hobbies: piano and skiing

Something cool about you: I got on the
podium for all but one ski race last year
out of about 60 girls.

—typist: Allie Knipper



Which one of the students/ teachers at the school would make the best president?

by Paige Winter

Preston Roling: Cy Huber

Emma Hill: Chance Downs

Taya Tucker: Ella Imler

Macy Thompson: Erin Knipper

Anthony March: Evan Elgin

Landin Frasher: Erin Knipper

Mrs. Hunt: Mr. Cassutt

Ethan Doyle: Logan Johnson

Paige Panosh: Andrew Kloser

Brock Trenkamp: Ashton Goldsmith

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of November 25, 2019

Monday, November 25, 2019

1. 10th Grade to JREC Tour at Kirkwood in Monticello - 9:00 AM (Bus Leaves at 8:20 AM)
2. JH Girls Basketball - HOME (Middle School Muti-Purpose Room) - Alburnett - 4:00 PM
3. HS V Boys Basketball Jamboree at MFL/MarMac in Monona - 6:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 4:00 PM)

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

1. 8th Graders to Castle Theater in Manchester to see "Midway" (Bus leaves at 8:10 AM)
2. JH Summer & Fall Sports Awards Assembly - Middle School Muti-Purpose Room) - 12:20 PM
3. EARLY DISMISSAL - 1:05 PM in Delhi / 1:15 PM in Earlville & Hopkinton
4. JH Wrestling - HOME (Middle School Muti-Purpose Room) - Lisbon - 4:30 PM
5. HS JV/V Girls Basketball at Ed/Co in Edgewood - 6:00 PM (Bus Leaves at 4:50 PM)

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

1. NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Vacation

Thursday, November 28, 2019

1. NO SCHOOL - Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 29, 2019

1. NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Vacation
2. HS JV/V Boys Basketball Scrimmage at Postville - 9:30 AM (Bus Leaves at 7:45 AM)

Saturday, November 30, 2019

1. HS V Girls Basketball at Coe College in Cedar Rapids - 9:15 AM (Bus Leaves at 7:20 AM)

Sunday, December 1, 2019

1. HS Volleyball Awards Banquet - HS Cafeteria - 6:00 PM