

Vocal jazz students put talents to the test

Vocal jazz season is in full swing, and MV's two groups have been making their mark.

Last Friday the groups performed at the Liberty Voltage Jazz Choir Invitational in North Liberty. Tate Trenkamp was recognized as the outstanding male vocalist in 1A/2A. Smooth Harmony was awarded first place.

Monday afternoon MV hosted the IHSMA State Jazz Vocal Festival. Smooth Harmony earned a Division I rating, and Jazz XPress earned a Division II.

Members of Jazz XPress include Rose Havens, Emma Beitz, Noah DeVore, Devin Smith, Kylynn Clary, Kennedy Ott, Mianna Gosche, Lucas Johnson, Logan Johnson and Brylie Pohlman.

Smooth Harmony members are Tate Trenkamp, Keziah Ambundo, Andrew Hildebrand, Madalynne Naab, Paige Panosh, Molly Anderegg, Andrew Kloser, An-nisten Trenkamp and Brock Trenkamp.



Four speech groups selected for All-State



Four groups earned All-State speech nominations for their large group speech performances: Ensemble Acting "Emergency Protocol," Ensemble Acting "Who Doth Inhabit the Primary Position," readers theater, and a varsity improv group of Brooke Wilson, Norm Wilson, Katilyn Deutmeyer and Emma McDowell.

All-Staters include, front row from left: Jordyn Kemp, Kristin Lucas, Emma McDowell and Shelby March; second row: Katilyn Deutmeyer, Kelsey Ries, Faith Hunt and Hannah Lahr; back row: Morgan Hermanson, Norman Wilson, Jon Seibert, Lydia Helle, Emerson Whittenbaugh, Andrew Hildebrand, Lucas Rumbo, Mason Lubben and Brooke Wilson. Not pictured: Andrew Kloser

Students develop vocal skills at honor choir

Six vocal students participated in the Meistersingers honor choir held at Wartburg College recently.

The students rehearsed Sunday and Monday and then performed a concert Monday evening. Each student took away some different skills.

“This honor choir was extremely helpful in reading music,” stated Andrew Kloser. “The literature was some of the hardest stuff I’ve ever sung, and it really helped me evolve as a singer and a musician.”

Paige Panosh concurred: “Musically I think Meistersinger helped me come to the realization that I can figure out tougher music and that I have a larger range than I had thought previously.”

Charlie Lewin said her favorite part was the concert. “Being onstage was a cool

Took several tries, thanks to Mother Nature, but speech students makes it to state

by Leah Ries

The Maquoketa Valley speech teams swarmed Waterloo West High School on February 2nd they came out the door with good results. The team brought home 15 Division I ratings, and six Division II ratings. The group also earned four all-state nominations (see front page).

Groups earning I ratings were:
 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
 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 Krapf
 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



Students attending the Meistersings honor choir were Noah DeVore, Keziah Ambundo, Andrew Kloser, Paige Panosh, Charlie Lewin and Molly Anderegg.

experience.”
 The students stayed in the dorm and rehearsed with students from Iowa and out of state.

Mohr, Kennedy Ott, Ashtyn Porter, Leah Ries, Nolan Ries, Preston Roling
 Group Improvisation 1: Katilyn Deutmeyer, Emma McDowell, Brooke Wilson, Norman Wilson
 Group Improvisation 3: Evan Hoefler, Izabel Niehaus, Tate Trenkamp
 TV News (NOEL): Lexi Deutmeyer, Amber Engelken, Madeline Gellersen, Morgan Hermanson, Madalynne Naab, Jaiden Porter, Krista Ries, Erika Supple, Tate Trenkamp, Grace Wegmann
 TV News (OLDE): Payton Beaman, Blake Becker, Emma Beitz, Michael Feldmann, Carter Hildebrand, Maddie Lahr, Mady Moenck, Brooklyn Sands, Jon Seibert, Taya Tucker
 Short Film (The Perfect Match): Emma Beitz, Lane Coyle, Allison Dunn, Nick Gibbs, Brian Heims, Emma Hill, Shelby March, Reece Mensen, Brooklyn Sands
 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
 Group Mime 1 (I’m Coming Home): Lydia Helle, Jordyn Kemp, Kelly Winter
 Group Mime 2 (Delivery Dilemma): Lexi Deutmeyer, Kailyn Hogan, Jaiden Porter
 Groups earning Division II ratings were:
 9th Group Improvisation: AJ Ambundo, Keziah Ambundo, Kriya Atwell, Noah DeVore, Jordan Hogan
 Group Improvisation 2: Zach Digman, Mitch Heims, Paige Panosh, Annisten Trenkamp

“I loved meeting and making so many friends!” added Keziah Ambundo. “I also very much enjoyed getting lost the whole time.”

Solo Mime (Paws for Effect): Izabel Niehaus
 9th Radio Broadcasting (JOHN 102.2): Courtney Goedken, Mianna Gosche, Jordan Hogan, Charlie Lewin, Caelyn Sands, Michael Schaul, Devin Smith
 Short Film (The Worst Part of TV): Maddy Anderegg, Alex Digman, Kailyn Hogan, Lucas Johnson, Claire Krapfl, Summer Schmuecker, Erika Supple, Grace Wegmann
 9th Ensemble Acting (The Fourth Locker): Keziah Ambundo, Kylie Chesnut, Carissa Sabers

After rescheduling the district speech contest it was finally held at Cascade High School on Saturday, Jan. 26 with a few groups performing for a judge Monday, Jan. 28. Groups that earned ones advanced to state.

Groups receiving two ratings at districts were Radio Broadcasting WLMT 99.9 and FRMR 4840, Group Mime Until Death Do Us Barf, and Solo Mimes Finally Found (Cloie Wilson) and Had a Bad Day (Taya Tucker). Group Mime 1st Day on the Job received a four rating.
 Radio Broadcasting (WLMT 99.9): Blake Becker, Michael Feldmann, Carter Hildebrand, James LeGassick
 Radio Broadcasting (FRMR 4840): Nick Gibbs, Logan Johnson, Lucas Johnson
 Group Mime 3 (Until Death Do Us Barf): Reece Mensen, Paige Panosh, Kim Sellner, Abbie Sheehy, Cloie Wilson
 Solo Mime (Had a Bad Day): Taya Tucker
 Solo Mime (Finally Found): Cloie Wilson
 9th Group Mime (1st Day on the Job): Amanda Mohr, Kennedy Ott, Ashtyn Porter, Leah Ries, Paige Winter

Team is fifth at conference, three wrestlers advance to districts

The wrestling competition is reaching its peak as wrestlers prepare for district wrestling this weekend.

The team finished second which earned them a trip to regional duals. Three wrestlers finished in the top two at sectionals held last Saturday at Starmont.

“Overall I thought the guys fought hard and did a great job of representing Maquoketa Valley this past Saturday. Qualifying for regional duals is always a goal of ours every year and to do that once again shows a lot on how far this team has come this year. I’m also proud of all the guys who met their individual goals of moving on (Michael Feldmann, Parker Sternhagen, and James LeGassick) as well as the rest of the guys that earned key points for the team to secure 2nd place and a shot at Regional Duals. I know there are a number of guys who had individual goals to move on further into the tournament and came up a little short so hopefully this can be used as motivation in the off-season.”

Results include:

Anthony March (106): third
Canyon Richardson (120): fourth
Michael Schaul (126): fourth
James DeMoss (132): fifth
Aden Atwell (138): fourth
Parker Sternhagen (145): second
Tim Harmon (160): fourth
James LeGassick (170): second
Carter Kruse (182): third
Evan Elgin (195): third
Michael Feldmann (220): first

Sternhagen, LeGassick and Feldmann will wrestle Saturday in Jesup at districts.

Conference meet

On Jan. 26 the Wildcats competed in the Tri-Rivers conference meet. The team finished fifth with 118 points. Lisbon won the title with 245 points.

Coach Andrews said it was a good day. “I was happy with how the guys wrestled today. To have 9 guys place says a lot about how far this team has come the past 5-6 weeks.”

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Evan Elgin has the upper-hand against a Lisbon opponent at the conference meet. Elgin finished second. (photos by Lesa Parmely)

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Regional Duals

Wednesday night the Wildcats traveled to Lisbon to compete in the regional duals. MV defeated Wilton 54-24 but lost to Lisbon 24-60 in the finals.



Girls basketball earns share of conference title

by Kylie Chesnut

Before the long break, the Lady Cats took the win over both Alburnette and Central City, and last Friday the team was victorious over the Springville Orioles.

Sunday afternoon, the team traveled to Troy Mills, and came home with a big win 60-52. The very next day the team took on the Starmont Stars at home. The girls worked hard and finished the game with a win 64-36. This win declared the girls as co-Conference Champs, with a record of 18-2.

At halftime of the Starmont game the score was 32-21, the Wildcats with the lead. Sam Wall was the leading scorer of the game with 22 points, Ella Imler had 17, and Emerson Whittenbaugh contributed 15. Ella Imler made 5 three pointers during the game. Defensively the girls worked hard. There was a total of 30 rebounds this game, Taya Tucker and Whittenbaugh each pulling down 5, with Brooke Elgin getting big and bringing down 4 for the team. Maci Frieburger had 2 blocks on the defensive end, along with 2 steals. Wall and Maddy Anderegg each had a few steals of their own.

The MV girls basketball finished with a winning season, and they are all very excited and ready to work as they move into the postseason.

Maddy Anderegg puts one up against Springville last Friday night. (photos by Lesa Parmely)



The senior dance team members were recognized last Friday night. Seniors include Faith Hunt, Megan Rausch, Hannah Lehr, Madison McIntyre and Katilyn Deutmeyer.

Senior Sam Wall was recognized Monday night for setting some MV girls basketball records. She is now the all-time leading scorer with 1416 points and the all-time leader in 3-pointers made with 170.



Best Buds



Ella Imler, Avery Krapfl & Emerson Whittenbaugh

by Kelly Winter

How long have you guys been friends?

Emerson: Ella and I since first grade, and Avery and I since middle school.

Ella: Emerson and I since first grade, and Avery and I since middle school.

Avery: Since middle school.

What's your favorite part about being friends?

Emerson: Being able to have trust in each other and be able to go to them for whatever.

Ella: They are always there for me when I need them the most, and they are fun to joke around with.

Avery: Being able to tell each other anything and laugh about everything.

What's your favorite thing to do together?

Emerson: We love to go on the lake and just hang out and watch movies and munch.

Ella: Watch scary movies and go out to eat.

Avery: Hang out on the lake, play sports together, or just chill.

Do you know each other's favorite pizza topping?

Emerson: Ella's is pepperoni and Avery's is sausage.

Ella: Emerson's is Hawaiian and Avery's is sausage.

Avery: Ella's is sausage and Emerson's is pepperoni.

Answers: (Emerson - Hawaiian)(Ella - pepperoni)(Avery - pepperoni)

What Disney character is your friends most like?

Emerson: Ella is Nala, and Avery is Zazu. Ella: Emerson is Mulan, and Avery is Moana.

Avery: Emerson is Princess Merida (Brave) because she doesn't care what people think of her and she does what she wants. Ella is Rapunzel from Tangled because she isn't afraid to step out of her comfort zone and try new things.

Cutie



by Kelly Winter

This cutie lives outside of Delhi and has four siblings.

She has brown eyes and brown hair.

This cutie plays volleyball, basketball, and track.

Two fun facts about her are that she has a dimple and her left foot cracks when she walks.

Our last Cutie was Amaya Hunt.

Comedy Corner

—compiled by Lydia Helle

What do you call a snowman with a six-pack?...An abdominal snowman

Why do mountains never get cold?...They wear snow caps

What is a snowman's favorite game?...Ice Spy With My Little Eye

What do snowmen call their offspring?...Chill-dren

What's white and goes up?...A confused snowflake

Student Council plans Valentine's Day fundraiser

by Kelly Winter

Hello fellow Wildcats, and happy early Valentine's Day! I hope all of you are excited for this following week. The student council has prepared something for everyone to enjoy the 14th!

Students can purchase valentines for a friend or special someone and it will be hand delivered to them on Valentine's Day. The gift will include a card and a goodie bag of hugs and kisses! If you are interested in participating in this festivity, you can purchase the valentines for 50 cents during lunch: Monday through Wednesday, and also Wednesday morning opening at 7:30 a.m.

This is a great way for you to spread happiness around our school. Make sure you bring your change and join in on the fun!

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:

Dylan Happel - 1/27

Madeline Gellersen - 1/31

Maddie Lahr - 2/2

Austin Snyder - 2/5

Matthew Brehm, Avery Krapfl - 2/6

Zach Digman - 2/8

Happy birthday today, Mrs. Hunt!

Athletes of the Week

Name: Kylie Chesnut
Sport: Basketball

What position do you play? Wing or point guard
What do you enjoy most about playing basketball? I love my team mates and how we are always striving to get better.

What's something about the sport that others may not know about? You have to be mentally tough to be successful.

What's been a favorite basketball memory? My favorite basketball memory is during the summer when we went to an escape room as a team. It was really fun to bond with the team.

Who's your basketball role model?

Brooke Wilson



Name: Carissa Sabers
Sport: Basketball

What position do you play?

Guard

What do you enjoy most about playing basketball? I enjoy the teamwork and communication it takes to be successful.

Our whole team has become such a family that encourages each other to do better. I also like how our team brings the intensity to every game.

What's something about the sport that others may not know about? Our best defense is our offense.

What's been a favorite basketball memory? When we all went tubing on Spirit Lake and Coach Moenck was trying with his full effort to throw us off of the tube. Another good memory was when Emerson did the rain dance then made a half court shot.

Who's your basketball role model? Sam Wall, Maddy Anderegg, Emerson, or Ella because they always put their full effort into whatever we are doing. They are always willing to help out in any way they can.



Hall Smarts

by Lydia Helle

We all know that the weather has been crazy lately. We've had so many days off, delays, and early-outs that I'm beginning to hope that we have a full day of school! Since this weather is starting to get old, the best thing to do is have some fun with it! This week, I'm having Rylie Aldrich, Michael Feldmann, and Noah DeVore answer some questions about weather.



True or False: A city once tried to make snow illegal.

Rylie: True

Michael: True

Noah: True

Answer: True

True or False: No two snowflakes are exactly alike.

Rylie: True

Michael: True

Noah: True

Answer: False

True or False: Snow isn't actually white.

Rylie: False

Michael: True

Noah: True

Answer: True

Bonus Question: How many ice crystals fall from the sky each winter in the U.S.?

Rylie: 12,000,000

Michael: 1,000,000,000,000,000

Noah: 5,000,000,000,000

Answer: 1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 (one septillion)

For living in Iowa, I figured we would have a lot more snow-specialists. Well, that's all for this week--"catch you on the flip side"!

Brain Teaser

by Mason Lubben

A man was walking in the rain. He was in the middle of nowhere. He had nothing and nowhere to hide. He came home all wet, but not a single hair on his head was wet. Why is that?

Answer: The man was bald!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MV the week of February 11, 2019

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019

1. Jr. High 7th & 8th Boys Basketball - HOME (MS Multipurpose Room) - East Buchanan - 4:00 PM
2. MV FFA Monthly Meeting - HS Room 307 - Officer Interviews @ 6:00 PM / Meeting @ 7:00 PM
3. Track and Field practice begins Monday after school for those not out for basketball or wrestling.
- 4 T.E.L. Meeting- Auditorium - during WIN (2:55 PM)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2019

1. All HS Students to All State Large Group Speech Performances - HS Auditorium - 8:03 AM until 9:15 AM
2. IT Meeting & FCA Meeting - Mrs. Palmer's Hs Room 209 - during WIN (2:55 PM)
3. HS V Girls Regional Basketball - HOME (HS Gym) - MV vs Alburnett or East Buchanan - 7:00 PM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019

- HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
1. HS FFA to Soil Health Workshop in Monticello (2 Vans Leave at 8:00 AM)
 2. HS State Wrestling Tournament in Des Moines (Suburban & Van at 8:30 AM)
 3. HS Jazz Band to Tall Corn Jazz Festival at UNI (Bus at 1:15 PM)
 4. Jr. High 7th & 8th Boys Basketball at Springville - 4:00 PM (Bus at 2:50 PM)
 5. HS V Boys District Basketball at Edgewood - MV vs C.C. & Ed-Co - 6:30 PM (Bus Leaves at 4:30 PM)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019

1. NO SCHOOL - Teacher PD Day
2. HS Vocal to Jazz Invitational in Solon - 8:00 AM (Bus Leaves @ 6:30 AM) - Concert at 7:30 PM
3. HS V Girls State Regional Basketball at Beckman High School in Dyersville - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2019

1. All-State Large Group Speech Students to ISU - 8:00 AM (Bus at 5:00 AM)
2. HS Wrestlers Back From State Tournament in Des Moines (Suburban & Van Return at Noon)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2019

Athletic Boosters Mini-Wildcat Wrestling Tournament - HS & MS Gym, HS & MS Cafeteria