

# Wildcat Echo

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## Artists shine at conference art fair

MV's artists showcased their talents in the virtual Tri-Rivers Conference Art Fair this spring.

Those earning special recognition include:

Anna Deutmeyer, first in ink

Cece Trenkamp, first in digital manipulation

Morgan Krumviede, second in digital manipulation

Matthew Schaul, third in digital manipulation

Kaya Knipper, third in wheel thrown pottery

Morgan Krumviede, third in digital photo

Jordan Hogan, Honorable Mention in design

## Students explore ag careers at Kirkwood



Last Tuesday, ten MV students attended Ag Day at Kirkwood Community College. Students participated in various breakout sessions and learned about the agriculture department and what it has to offer to its students.

## Industrial tech classes complete hands-on project



The Advanced Construction class as well as the Electricity II class put their skills to the test by building a ticket booth equipped with LED lighting, outlets and an air-conditioning unit that will be used by the Delaware County Fair. "I was looking for a project to do in that class that would cover a lot of the similarities of building a house, and this project had a lot of those things involved in it," stated Mr. Palmer. "I would always like to do a project for a nonprofit in our communities." The fairgrounds funded the project. Pictured with the shed are Jamie Pitts, Kody Bush, Michael Schnittjer and Ben Weber.



# Graduation 2022



Leah Ries, Emma Richter, Carlie Lewin, Amaya Hunt, Adrienne Freiburger, Lane Domeyer and Noah DeVore were recipients of the Wildcat Star Service Award.



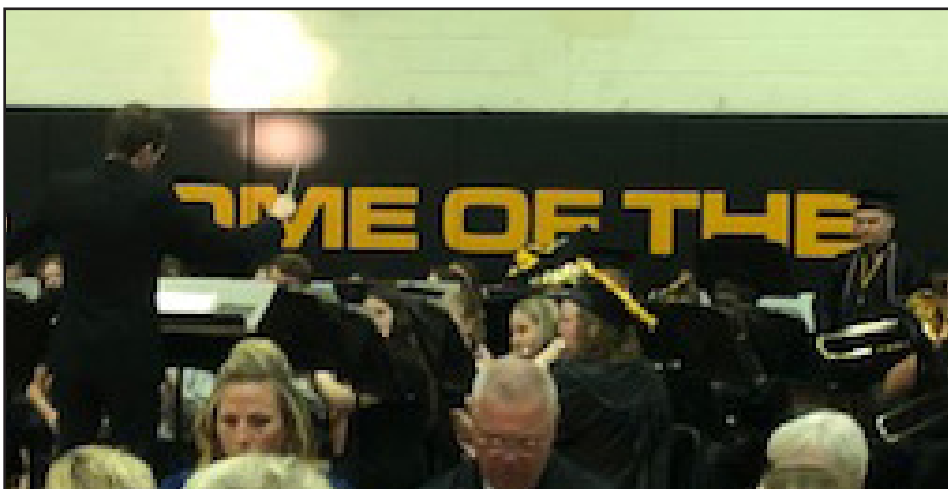
Amaya Hunt  
Valedictorian

**Five-Star Awards:**  
**Gail Jentz & Lesa Parmely**



Above: School board member Pam Overman awards Matthew Brehm his diploma.

Below right: Mr. Osterhaus congratulates Ryan Endlich.



# Wildcats thrive at state track

The Wildcats made a great showing at the Iowa High School State Track and Field Meet last week. The boys finished 12th in the state as a team with 20 points, and the girls team finished 34th with seven points.

## Boys

Shot put: 8th, Brock Trenkamp, 48-11.5.

4x800: 5th, Michael Schaul, Matthew Schaul, Nolan Ries, Cy Huber, 8:27.40.

400: 5th, Cy Huber, 50.95; 12th, Michael Schaul, 52.46.

Discus: 4th, Brock Trenkamp, 150-11.

4x400: qualifying heat, Cy Huber, Lance McShane, Nolan Ries, Michael Schaul; finals, 4th, 3:29.36

Sprint medley; 8th Preston Roling, Lance McShane, Michael Schaul, Cy Huber, 1:36.97

## Girls

Shot put: 4th, Erin Knipper, 38-2.25.

400: 9th, Amaya Hunt, 1:00.62.

4x100: 16th, Amaya Hunt, Leah Ries, McKenna Thompson, Lily Huber, 52.34.

4x400: qualifying heat, Saige Hunt, Kylie Chesnut, McKenna Thompson, Amaya Hunt, 4:13.67; finals: 7th, 4:13.26



**Brock  
Trenkamp**



**Above: McKenna Thompson urges Lily Huber on in the 4x100 relay Friday morning.**



**Right: Nolan Ries gets the baton from Lance McShane in the 4x400 preliminary heat Friday morning. (photos by Pete Temple)**

# Season wraps up at regionals

by Toby Grimm

The Maquoketa Valley Girls Golf Team traveled to Postville to compete in the Region Golf Meet May 13. Kaela Clemmen led the team shooting a 115, followed by Isabella Mensen (140), Mianna Gosche (152), Alissa Bush (158), Kaya Knipper (159), and Cece Trenkamp (178).

The top two spots of the meet were taken by Audrie Helmrichs (96) and Hailey Rausch (106).

Coach Andrews stated, "It was a fun day of golf and a great experience. I was happy to see our team score drop by nearly 20 strokes from this past Monday's conference meet. Hopefully the underclassmen use this as motivation heading into the Summer so we can come back stronger next year with good experiences under our belts from this season. The future's looking good for our girls teams with a number of returners next year and some eighth graders coming up."

## Summer sports hit the fields

The softball season is underway, and it's under the helm of a new head coach, Emily Ludovissy who is in her first year of coaching.

While she may be new to the program, several athletes are returning: Carissa Sabers, Senior, Shortstop  
Erin Knipper, Junior, First base  
Ella Mensen, Junior, Right field  
Kendra Hillers, Senior, Left field  
Macy Thompson, Junior, Pitcher  
Jada Knipper, Freshman, Utility, 2nd team  
Trista Elgin, Junior, Second base  
Kennedy Rausch Junior, Outfield

Coach Ludovissy also noted some promising newcomers to the varsity team: Cadence Freiburger Sophomore, Pitcher, and infield

Lily Huber, Sophomore, Utility  
Addie Vorwald, Freshman, Catcher and Pitcher

Kalynn Freiburger Eighth Grader, Pitcher

"We are a young team with strong talent," noted Coach Ludovissy, "This year is going to be an exciting year of growth and surprises."

Baseball started its season Monday, May 16 with a 6-1 and a 15-0 win over Ed-Co. Tuesday night, it earned a home win over Marquette Catholic 8-5.

# what's up?

by Chantel Crowley and Kaitlyn Nolan

## What is your favorite memory of the school year?

Deion Wilson- Winning a soccer game for the first time in years

Haley Ronnebaum- Winning Powderpuff at Homecoming

Dannie Burkle- Zach getting stuck in his sweatshirt at post prom

Maddyx Rieniets- When we stole a fish from Silver Lake in biology and Ms. D made us return it

Ava Goldsmith- All of it was pretty fun

Devin Meeks- Every lunch in Mrs.

Downs' room

Mason Jolley- Having first period with Mrs. Besler

Toby Grimm- Lunch in Mrs. Downs' room

TJ Cook- Lunch in Mrs. Downs' room

Alia Domeyer- Catching the fish in science class

## What are you looking forward to about summer?

McKenna Bush- Swimming and warm weather!

Joellen Beitz- I am looking forward to softball, friends, family, and vacation.

Ella Wulfekuhle- More sleep, softball, and spending time with my family/ friends.

Brianna Hines- Watching Hulu and hanging with Kinsley.

Lauren Knock- Going places and traveling with friends.

Josie Teymer- Either going to concerts or hanging out with friends or family.

Keira Leytem- Swimming with my cousins, going kayaking, and volleyball starting back up.

Saige Hunt- Spending time boating and skiing on the lake with my friends and family!

Emilee Supple- I am most looking forward to the county fairs.

Kaela Clemen- I am most excited to spend a month in Spain this summer!

Titi Morgan- I just like being in my bed and driving around

Claira Gray- Traveling

## Ag students participate in district contest



Students involved in the district contest last week were, front row from left: Kelsey Hoeger, Dannie Burkle, Jada Knipper, Alia Domeyer, Haley Ronnebaum, Lexi Halvorsen, Addie Vorwald, Lainey Knipper and Kaya Knipper; back row: Logan Beaman, Brendin Frasher, Kain Krogmann, Caden Ries, Ethen Brockholn, Caden Ronnebaum and Kody Hoeger.

Several MV students participated in the Northeast District Agronomy, Nursery Landscape, Floriculture, & Food Science contest at Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo May 18.

**Nursery Landscape: 8th place team**  
Caden Ries, Caden Ronnebaum, Logan

Beaman, Kain Krogmann

**Floriculture:** Haley Ronnebaum, Dannie Burkle, Alia Domeyer, Lainey Knipper

**Agronomy:** Kody Hoeger, Brendin Frasher, Kaya Knipper, Ethen Brockholn

**Food Science:** Jada Knipper, Addie Vorwald, Lexi Halvorsen, Kelsey Hoeger

## Lessons in team-building



The Intro to Business class recently wrapped up a team-building project in which small groups researched, led, and then reflected upon activities designed to promote communication and team-work.

# Best Buds



**Ms. Droysler and Srta. Ries  
by Kansas Berthel**  
**How long have you two known each other? Were you close when you were younger?**

Ms. Droysler: We have known each other since August. Señorita walked into Professional Development with a Starbucks coffee one day and I knew that I needed to get to know her (and later found out about her reusing her Starbucks cups, so now I do too).

Mrs. Ries: Since August when she first started as a new MV teacher :) We were definitely not close when we younger, I could have been her teacher when she was in high school.

**If you were to spend an entire day together doing your favorite things, what would that look like?**

Ms. Droysler: Coffee, thrifting, buying plants (!!), and watching the Bachelor/Bachelorette.

Mrs. Ries: Easy, Coffee FIRST. Thrifting—a TJ Maxx stop, LOTS of conversation, (Bachelor ideally) but we'll settle for a CHICK FLICK and tacos to end the night.

**If you could travel somewhere (anywhere in the world) together, where would you go and why?**

Ms. Droysler: We would likely go to a lake or beach! We have both enjoyed the "lake life" at some point in our lives.

Mrs. Ries: ANYWHERE. A beach :) MS. D needs to travel!

**What's your favorite quality about the others? And what annoys you the most about them?**

Ms. Droysler: Señorita genuinely cares about everyone and all she does. She strives to do her best and brings out the best in others, all while being SO optimistic. Not an annoyance, but rather sometimes I wish I had more of her outgoing personality and ability to cook.

Mrs. Ries: SHE IS SO SO SO kind, patient, loving, understanding, and compassionate. SHE LOVES me and my FAMILY entirely, and accepts me 100% as I am whole heartedly. Annoy? Nothing really at all- but I DO wish she would sleep more and drink more water :)

**What's your favorite memory created together?**

Ms. Droysler: All of the times that I have spent with her and her family! :)

Mrs. Ries: Humm. SO MANY. Every time we're together we can't stop talking. We end up laughing, giggling, crying. She came over for a chick flick one Tuesday and instead of a movie we ended up talking the night away and talking about vacuum cleaners, which ended up her vacuuming my living room FOR FUN because I have a cool vacuum cleaner.

**As always... Where do you see the others in ten years?**

Ms. Droysler: I can see us both doing what we love in 10 years...teaching, going on coffee dates, and watching the Bachelor/Bachelorette!

Mrs. Ries: BOTH teachers still teaching at MV! Drinking coffee and getting our KIDS together for playdates, STILL having Bachelor dates (like can we say Season 35? It will STILL be alive and strong.)

## JO-JO'S CLOSET

**by Josie Teymer**

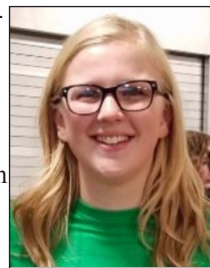
Today I want to talk about something that isn't talked about enough. Socks.

Socks do a lot for an outfit. They can dramatically affect your height and your appearance. There are certain socks that go with certain shoes. One of my biggest pet peeves is black athletic socks. Don't wear them —ever— unless you want to make yourself look shorter than you actually are. But, who wants that? You should instead try different colors that will make you look taller. These colors would be Brown, white, baby pink or gray. Not only do they affect the height they do a lot

## Hall Smarts

**by Cadence Freiburger**

With Wednesday being the day the class of 2022 officially graduated, I tested some of the remaining students' knowledge on graduation facts.



1. Where did the tossing of the cap tradition first happen?

Trinity Chadwick: China

Kaya Knipper: a graduation ceremony

Bianka Ronnebaum: Alabama

Answer: Naval Academy ceremony

2. What century did graduation caps originate from?

Trinity: 18 something

Kaya: 15th century

Bianka: 1800s

Answer: 15th Century

3. What age was the youngest known college graduate?

Trinity: 13

Kaya: 11 years old

Bianka: 16

Answer: Ten

4. What was the original graduation diploma made from?

Trinity: Paper??

Kaya: Sheepskin

Bianka: Pig Hide

Answer: Sheepskin

of an outfit.

I don't see a problem when pattern mixing or even unmatching socks. Socks are a great way to show off your personality. Whether you're wearing socks with pretzels or your favorite dog, please don't wear them with Birkenstocks.

I hope you all have a fun and fashionable summer.

