

## In the news . . .

### School Play

By Ryan Brown

This past weekend, I had the privilege to be Sheriff Plunkett in the school spring play "Trouble in Tumbleweed." The cast performed both on Friday and Saturday night, having an attendance of about 200 people. Students have been practicing for the play since late February. Practice was every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 7 to 9. Friday had its share of missed lines and dialogue, but Saturday was redemption night, having a performance that left many leaving with a chuckle.

During intermission, the academic decathlon team sold baked goods to help raise money so they can compete at the national level next week.

The story line of the play takes place in the eighteen-hundreds during the territorial development of Arizona. The townspeople of Tumbleweed were enlisted to build the town for the wealthy business mogul Luther Prescott. The problem is that the townspeople have squandered Luther's money and have learned he is sending an inspector their way to see the town's progress. What ensues is a humorous attempt at fooling the inspector into

thinking the town is actually right on schedule. The play was about an hour and a half of corny humor that left those in attendance with a chuckle. After the play, many of the cast members and their parents help take the set apart and move it, along with all the props costumes in the backdrop to storage. With that, another year of play was over.

### Twin Sibling Rivalry

By Jordan Ludwig

In high school, one experience that many student share is having siblings. Most families have more than one child, so a great portion of students can testify to what it is like to have a sibling. Their stories can make you laugh, but they can also make you think. One unique sibling bond is that of twins. While they may be viewed as a package deal, twins are two separate people that can bring out the best in each other, and at other times, the worst.

Makayla Schultz has a twin sister named Paige, and while Paige doesn't attend SCC anymore, McKayla was still able to provide thoughtful input about what it is like to have a twin. "It's forced me to be willing to compromise. Having a twin is

different from a regular sibling. The bond between us is much deeper. Although we fight so much, we are definitely the closest of any siblings. I love all my siblings, but there isn't anything I wouldn't do for Paige."

There's no doubt that twins share a special kind of bond. On a lighter note, Cara Voorde provided some insight to some of the more irritating aspects of having a twin. "It gets old hearing people say we don't look alike. We are fraternal." Fraternal or identical twins share something that a lot of people aren't lucky enough to experience

### High School Principal by Seth Stamp

Randy Martin has been a school administrator for 23 years and loves his job. Mr. Martin is now the principal of SCC high school, but he used to teach automotive mechanics and electricity.

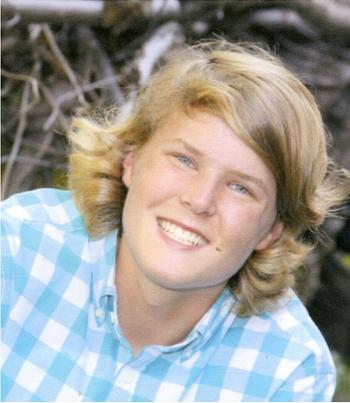
When asked if he always wanted to be a principal, he said no and that he just wanted to teach and coach. Although he didn't want to be a principal, he loves his job, and said there is no better job in the world. His favorite part is seeing and helping students succeed and move up in the world. He doesn't really have a least favorite part of his work, but the hardest thing he does is dealing with expulsion, hiring,

### Upcoming Events . . .

- 4-1 HS SMALL GROUP MUSIC @ MANSON
- 4-3 INK WUNDERLY BOYS TRACK @ LAKE CITY 4:30 PM
- 4.3 RICH RYAN GIRLS TRACK @ GOWRIE 4:30 PM
- 4-5 MAP TESTING
- 4-6 MAP TESTING
- 4-6 COED GOLF VS. PAC/LM @ LAKE CITY 4:00 PM
- 4-6 COLLEGE PLANNING & FINANCIAL AID NIGHT @ HS 6:30 PM
- 4-7 MAP TESTING
- 4-7 HS CO-ED TRACK @ SAC CITY 4:30 PM
- 4-7 COED DUAL LGOLF VS ST EDS GIRLS-FORT DODGE BOYS-LAKE CITY
- 4-8 ACT TEST DATE
- 4-8 FCA MOVIE NIGHT @ MR. SCHAEFER'S
- 4-10 STATE FFA CONVENTION-AMES
- 4-11 STATE FFA CONVENTION-AMES

and seeing students be unsuccessful. Mr. Martin's advice to a new teacher or principal is to make sure the area you are going to is a good fit, and that you are a good fit for it.

Randy Martin loves his job as a SCC's principal and enjoys seeing student success. Despite the few hard or boring parts of being a principal, he works hard to help students and teachers succeed.



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### Micah Lantz

By: Alex Campbell

Micah Lantz is a senior here at SCC who is one of those “don't want to miss out on anything” type of high school students. I say this because he was in many sports and academic activities including football for 4 years, basketball for 4 years, baseball and golf for couple years, and active in FFA for 4 years,

in which he was president during his senior year. Micah also plays the drums in band and jazz band as well, and he was in National Honor Society. After high school, Micah plans on attending Iowa State University and majoring in architectural design.

When asked what he will miss the most, he said he would definitely miss his friends the most. He also can't wait to make

new friends and meet new people in his future. In 10 years, Micah sees himself married with a good job and wants to travel to many places by then, including New Zealand.

Micah is very inspired by his family. His favorite pastimes are hanging out with his best friends. Micah's advice to underclassmen would be, of course, “don't miss out on opportunities.” it.



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### Megan Ukena

By Anastasia Sackfield

Megan Ukena, a soon-to-be graduate at SCC, has recently received the honor of signing with Morningside College for swimming. Along with continuing her swimming career at Morningside, she received a \$5,000 swimming scholarship, among others. Although swimming is a large part of her life, she's going to college for nursing, be-

cause she wants to help people and travel. Her long-term goal is to be a traveling nurse so she feels both her passions at once.

One thing that attracted her to Morningside was the small school in a big city. The teachers are much more personal. For swimming, her goals are to break the college's butterfly record, participating in nationals, and to be part of the varsity team. When asked how she feels about the

coming year, Megan says, “I'm looking forward to the team unity aspect of it, and going to college with a team all ready.”



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### Jonas Otto

By Caleb Reiss

Jonas Otto is a senior here at South Central Calhoun High School. He plans on attending UNI next year, and he eventually wants to go into Optometry. Looking back throughout high school, he has many memories. His favorite memory was all the sports he

participated in. Lucas has also has been in a lot of activities. He has been involved in basketball, baseball, golf, jazz band, FFA, and TAG.

Jonas thinks the thing he will miss most about high school are his friends. In 10 years, he could be anywhere. He sees himself getting his first job or just getting out of college. The

first thing he looks forward to his freedom. He wants to travel to Europe or Asia. Jonas' favorite pastime is playing video games. His high school years have taught him a lot. His advice is to “keep your grades up so you can go to college and do what you want.”

## Halee Villhauer-Bundt

By Aspen Ellis



Halee's plans after high school are to go to college for child care. She's a people person and loves kids. All throughout high school, Halee enjoyed hanging out with her friends. Her friends and family are a big part of her life, and she couldn't think of a better way to

spend her time. She cannot wait for the day when she will be able to work with kids all day and then come home to a family of her own.

For now, however, Halee enjoyed not having to pay bills and being able to be a kid. In the future, Halee thinks it would be fun to travel for maybe a few years, but she sees herself

staying local. Her advice to underclassmen is to do what you're told, and try not to grow up too fast. She also says to listen to your teachers; she wished she would have taken all of the advice they had given her over the years. Congratulations Halee, and we wish you the best of luck on your future plans.

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## Freshman: A Reflection

by Jordan Ludwig

In the racing years of high school, one year that may stick out in particular to each student is their freshman year. It's a pivotal year that represents accomplishment. The freshman year is the time of opportunity and new beginnings. With a new slate, each student has the initial chance to be and do whatever they feel like.

Overwhelmed with a plethora of privileges and changes, high school is both an exciting and stressful time for freshmen. In this transition, upperclassmen serve as both friends as well as mentors. Senior Aspen Ellis recalls sports were so much fun because you had the upperclassman to look up to. "Now that I am an upperclassman, it's not quite the same."

Another senior, Anastasia Sackfield shares, "freshmen are the

butt of the joke often, especially at the hands of the sophomores. It's in a loving way, like brothers and sisters helping each other to feel included. Now that I'm a senior, I don't have to worry about that."

As much as seniors can recall their first year in high school, nothing works quite as well as hearing it directly from the source. When asked about her biggest concern when she began her freshman year, soon-to-be sophomore Mariah Pagel had this to say, "I was most worried about meeting new people and the harder classes and expectations." Looking back on her year is a whole, Mariah said, "homecoming and cross-country had some of my favorite moments; it's hard to pick just one. I'm happy I go to South Central Calhoun. I have so many close friends. Friends are what make school fun." As the freshmen's first year of high

## Senior Lounge

By Cade Carstens

The senior lounge used to be one of the few privileges that the students received for being a senior with passing grades, but due to neglect and irresponsible kids, it was taken away. Not only was the lounge a place to sit and relax, it was also a place to sit and do your homework in peace.

I asked for people to voice their opinion on the senior lounge, and this is what they had to say. Alexander Campbell, a senior at SCC, said that it's not a good idea because, for one, he won't be here next year, and also, a lot of people would just take advantage of the lounge. Another senior named Colten Mosbach said that it would be nice because it would be a place to chill and take some time off during study halls and lunch.

Well, it might be a great to take a look at it from a teacher's point of view. When asked, Mrs. Bruder said, "it would have to be heavily watched because of all the things students could get up to." Finally, I asked an

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adult from outside the school, and she said that it would be a good idea to have, but many people might take advantage of it, so there would be no point in having it. Now with all of this being taken into consideration, almost all the people interviewed said it would be a bad idea.

