

In the news . . .

Health Occupations Blood Drive

By: Sydnie Schultz and
Brendan Henkleman

On October 27th, the Health Occupations class, taught by Mrs. Otto, put on a blood drive. The drive took place in the high school gymnasium with help from Life-serve Blood Center

There is a lot of preparation that goes into putting on the blood drive. There are thirteen students in the health occupations class. They start getting ready for the drive a week and a half before. They make signs for the school and businesses to promote their upcoming event. They also call people in the community to get them signed up to donate. On the day of the blood drive, the students make snacks for the donors after they are done. The students lend an arm and bring water to the participants, as well.

The community plays a big role in the blood drive. Businesses provide gift

cards and snack items for door prizes and trivia rewards that high school students can win. Some of the participating businesses include Caseys, Subway, Lake City Drive In, Capri Theater, and Opportunity Living.

Every year, the class makes a goal for units of blood donated. Mrs. Otto says, "The student body is great at helping us meet our goal." The goal this year was seventy four units of blood, and they received eighty three units. They saved two hundred and forty nine lives. .

First Quarter Struggles

By: Aspen Ellis and Myk Schoop

In high school, the first quarter is always the most difficult. Freshman are just getting used to being in high school. They have to adapt to a new building, teachers, students, and schedules. For seniors, they have to figure out what they want to do after high school. Deciding where to go to college stresses a lot of seniors out.

For most people, like the seniors, the first quarter seems to

go by fast. Others feel like it goes extremely slow. The first quarter for athletes is emotional as fall sports come to an end.

People think the second quarter will be better and go faster. Kids have their schedules down by now and they have figured out their day to day responsibilities. They know what to expect.

Fall is coming to an end for the school year, but winter activities are soon to start. Basketball season is just around the corner and students are looking forward to that, as well as the concerts and activities SCC has planned.

Activity Corner:

Jazz Choir

By: Caleb Reiss

Jazz choir is a collection of students who participate together in singing and dancing. They showcase their skills at concerts for different groups and people. Some of the songs song at a recent concert include "Lullaby" and "Mayberry".

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Upcoming Events . . .

- 11-11 FFA GREENHAND INSTALLATION
7:00 PM
- 11-12 FCA MOVIE NIGHT @
MR. SCHAEFER'S
- 11-14 HS BOYS BB & WRESTLING
PRACTICES BEGIN
- 11-15 NHS INDUCTION 7:00 PM
HS AUDITORIUM
- 11-17 ALL-STATE BAND & VOCAL
- 11-18 ALL-STATE BAND & VOCAL
- 11-19 ALL-STATE BAND & VOCAL
- 11-19 GIRLS BBALL JAMBOREE @
STORM LAKE 7:15 PM
- 11-21 HS FB AWARDS NIGHT
7:00 PM
- 11-22 JV/FARSITY GIRLS BB VS.
STORM LAKE @ RC 6:00 PM
- 11-22 SCHOOL BOARD MTG @ RC
6:00 PM
- 11-23 MAKE UP DAY
- 11-24 TO 11-26 VACATION





Jordan Ludwig

By: Brendan Henkleman

After high school, Jordan Ludwig plans to attend college. Some of her favorite memories from high school are the always entertaining skit nights. She is very involved in XC, vocal, band, speech, dance team, track, and volleyball.

One thing she will miss is seeing all of her friends. She looks forward to a new environment and new friends while in col-

lege. In ten years, she envisions herself with a job, house, spouse, children and pugs.

If Jordan could have dinner with any three people she would choose Johnny Knoxville, Bo Burnam, and Al Gore. Jordan's favorite movie is Fight Club and her favorite song is Blonde Hair Black Lungs.

Jordan is very inspired by people. Some of Jordan's favorite pastimes are drawing, writing, and making music.

Jordan's advice to underclassmen is to take as many college courses as possible.



Ryan Brown

By: Caleb Reiss

Ryan M. Brown, son of Rich and Michelle Brown, plans on attending the University of Iowa. His activities include senior class treasurer, academic decathlon, FFA, and editor for the yearbook.

In ten years, he sees himself becoming a doctor and traveling. His advice to underclassmen would be, "always try new things because you never know what you'll like." People that he will miss the most are his friends because of the great conversations that they had. The things he's looking forward to most are big

city life and being well educated.



Brandon Assman

by Aspen Ellis

Brandon's plans after high school are to attend the power lineman program in Sheldon, Iowa after high school. He has been very active throughout all four years of high school. Brandon has been involved in

football, track, wrestling, basketball, FFA, and FCA. Sports are one thing that Brandon says he is going to miss the most.

When he is not occupied with school activities, Brandon can be found spending time boating around Twin Lakes. If school has taught Brandon anything, it is how to get

along with different types of people. He advises younger students to work hard, and it will pay off in the long run. Although we all know Brandon is a talker, he didn't have a whole lot to say about his post-graduation plans; he was just looking forward to graduating and making a living.



Vanessa Squier

by Aspen Ellis

This fall, Vanessa plans to attend the University of Iowa to major in business marketing and minor in graphic design. Throughout high school, she was very active in a range of activities. Vanessa has been in softball for four years, football and basketball cheerleading for three years, golf for two years, and track, cross-country, and individual and group speech for one year.

As a senior, Vanessa joined the SCC FFA and is the dance team manager. Her favorite high school memory is going to State basketball and cheering on her sister. After high school, she says she's going to miss all of her friends and the sports. She's going to miss waking up to go to dance team or being with her high school friends.

"It is hard to imagine that we're all going off in different directions," says Vanessa.

Miss Anderson, a former teacher, gave Vanessa the best advice, which is that everybody has a story, so don't judge them by a glance. Vanessa's advice to underclassmen is to "not get caught up in drama; it's only four years of your life. It goes fast. Have fun and enjoy being a kid."



Megan Ukena

By Myk Schoop

Megan Ukena is a senior at South Central Calhoun. She plans to go to Morningside College after high school and swim. She wants to get her BSN degree, and she will eventually become a traveling nurse. Her favorite high school memory is going up to the square after the tor-

nado and getting good food. She will miss being so young and not having to worry about so many life decisions the most.

Megan likes to ski, longboard, and participate in sports in her free time. She is involved in band, jazz band, vocal, Jazz choir, mixed Patriots, rotary interact, swim, track, and National Honor Society. If Megan could travel any-

where, it would be everywhere. Her dream is to travel while working. Megan's advice for underclassmen is, "don't wish life away waiting for some day. Life goes way too fast already. Live life to the fullest and live in the moment."



Matt Toms

By Cade Carstens

Matthew Brady Toms is a senior at SCC and once he graduates, he will be going to college. He still has yet to determine where he will attend college. During his four years of high school, he played golf, baseball, soccer, and football for one year.

Matt's best high school memory was in Mass Comm when Tyler Wagner smashed fingers in a window.

Matt is going to miss his friends the most when he leaves. Like most seniors here, he is looking forward to being on his own. In ten years, Matt sees himself

living around here and working.

Matt's favorite pastimes are playing video games and going hunting. Matt would like to travel to Montana sometime in his life. Matt's advice to underclassmen is to do your best and work hard.

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Jazz Band—Continued from Page 1

Recently, the choir sang for a study group in Rockwell City. Four songs were prepared: “Bring Me Little Water, Silvy”, “Mayberry”, “Non Nobis”, and “Home.” In both “Home” and “Mayberry”, there were solos. The soloists were Nic Englin, Hannah Seil, Anna McChesney, Makayla Patterson, Mitchell Clark, and myself. The performance was at the Methodist church during school on November first. A fun time was had by everyone involved.

Jazz choir can help with characteristics such as self-discipline due to the early morning practice schedule. This is an activity that everyone should try, because it’s a good experience to have in your high school years.



Student Reviews

The Flash

By: Seth Stamp

“The Flash” is a DC Comics tv show on the CW and Netflix. The show is now in its third season, and it seems to be becoming more and more popular with each season.

“The Flash” focuses on Barry Allen, the titular character, as he and his partners race to stop crime in Central City. The hero faces many threats, including attempts to destroy the city or even the Flash’s own timeline. The show keeps you entertained with short, one episode long stories, with a bigger story interwoven throughout the season for suspense.

“The Flash” is joined by other superhero shows on the CW, including “Arrow” and “Supergirl”. The other shows do crossover episodes combining multiple heroes and shows in one or two episodes.

“The Flash” uses the gray area between science and sci-fi to entertain the viewer with fictional ideas based in scientific background. The show is a must see for and DC Comic fans and for anyone who enjoys long, suspenseful, action packed TV shows.

Stranger Things

By: Lindsey Sweeney and Cody Schumacher

In the beginning of 2016, Netflix released a new original show entitled “Stranger Things.” It starts with a young boy, Will, heading home from a friend’s house when he sees something terrible. Nearby in a government lab lurks a terrible secret.

Lucas, Mike, and Dustin are distraught by the disappearance of their good friend. While searching for him, they encounter a girl, Eleven. The three boys and their new friend go through a whirlwind of adventures in hopes of finding Will and getting him home safely.

In the eight short episodes, you become fond of the characters and are invested in their lives, which keeps you watching. “Stranger Things” is very different from other shows on the air right now, especially considering it is set in the eighties. The first season has a story that is told in a clear way, with appropriate timing. The sense of mystery combined with horror and humor keeps the audience captivated. Sneak peeks of the next season have viewers on the edge of their seats in anticipation.





Teacher Feature . . .

Mr. Francis

By: Caleb Reiss and Mariya Streck

Mr. Francis decided to be a teacher after he spent a few summers at a community recreation league for baseball. He was coaching and enjoyed all of it, especially when the kids accomplished what they set out to do. He wanted to be a teacher, because the kids make each day interesting.

His favorite memory of high school was having success in sports at the state level. It's exciting to him to see students having fun competing and succeeding in their activities. His advice to students is to follow your passion and do your best every day.

In his free time, Mr. Francis enjoys following the Iowa Hawkeye sports, coaching, and spending time with his family.

Mrs. Davis

By: Cody Schumacher

Mrs. Davis has been teaching for nineteen years total. She has gone back and forth from teaching and home schooling her own children, but once they both graduated, she is teaching for good now. Mrs. Davis' favorite topic to teach is biology, and her inspiration is the students. When asked if she always wanted to teach, she responded enthusiastically, "Yes!"

Mrs. Davis said, "student success is most memorable to me, whether it is academic, art, athletic, music, speech, or vocational." She says her first year was hard, and it was the most time consuming. When asked if ten years ago she thought she would be here now, she said she hoped so, as that was always her goal. She says the best things from students is them being excited about learning or being excited about class. If she was not a teacher, she would want to be a doctor. Her advice for students and new teachers is to do your best at not only being a student or teaching, but to do your best in life.

Mrs. Davis has always been one of my favorite teachers. She's energetic and eager to teach. She is a great role model for other students and me. Mrs. Davis has been a great influence in my life, and I wanted to say thank you from not only me, but everyone that you have ever taught.