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## Favorite Holiday Foods

By Zach Streyffeler

The Holidays are a time for family and friends to come together and share lots of holiday traditions and holiday foods. Many families have their favorite dishes that they prepare every year as part of their family tradition. After talking to several students and faculty, the majority said turkey and stuffing were their first choice of favorite foods to have, followed by hot, fluffy mashed potatoes and gravy. When asked about their favorite dessert during the holidays, pie with a simple candy recipe, peanut butter balls, that many of the people I talked to said they loved making and eating cookies and candies, but down to my Mom, who has taught us how to make them so we can make them with our kids.”

With the holiday season just around the corner, make sure enjoy not only the food, but family as well

## M St. M runs over LHF

By Zach Streyffeler

For the last 31 years, The Living History Farms has hosted their annual cross country race. Some runners take the run more seriously and try their hardest to do their best. Others dress up in funny costumes and run just for fun. None-the-less, each year the runners' limits of endurance are put to the test on the winding trails that take them up and down steep, slick, muddy hills, across dangerous corn fields pitted with rocks and holes, and across the muddy creeks of icy waters. Runners must also be prepared for any weather conditions. This year it seemed most were grateful for the mild temperature, considering that last year it snowed during the race. Over the last five years M St. M has put together a team of runners to run the race to show their school pride. This year's 19 member team was headed and coached by teacher Caleb Hales who has ran the race for the last 7 years. sliding down the muddy hills.”

This year both Caleb Hales and team member Carrie Wood agreed that the most fun part of the race was “getting to run through the creeks.”

Carrie, who's been running the race for the last 5 years since the original Team Jordan, stated, “It's always a blast getting to see all the funny costumes people wear and seeing people

Hopefully next year more students decide to participate to continue the tradition and its school spirit.



MstM Runners power up a muddy hill.

# M St. M out shoots opponents

By Emily Hutchison

With a pre-season ranking of number two and nine letter winners returning, the talent is still there. "The team is very strong this year with lots of depth especially in the guard position." said Coach Alexander.

To prepare the girls for this season, Coaches Jed Alexander and Tim Baker had the girls doing double practices. "We had double practices for three days to ensure that the girls were in shape and to prepare for our

first game," said Coach Alexander. The teams only senior, Carrie Wood, had this to say, "They [the practices] created a bond between all the players by seeing each other and working together from 5:30 pm.



Sam Norris defending during 2009 State Basketball

With all this extra practice, "The loose to defending State Champion, Springville, in the semi-finals. At the games played so far this season, the Lady Blue Devils have proved the girls to be victorious. With victories over Exira, Eddyville-Alexander, Blakesburg, Indiana, Twin Cedars, many of Wayne and Earlham, you know, the Lady Devils look last year's team had a tabulous season.

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## Which present?

By Pat Conner

When you think of the month December, you think of the holidays. The best part of the Holidays is the gifts, whether receiving or giving them. There are many kinds of gifts to give, ranging from electronics to animals to food, and for that one person who is just hard to shop for, there is always the gift card to their favorite store. If you have someone that enjoys electronics, some ideas for that person

might be

1. iPod
2. Laptop
3. Adobe Photoshop
4. Cd's
5. DVD's

If you don't have a person who likes electronics, you could get them a pet. The three best pet ideas at MstM were.

1. Dog
2. Pony

3. Monkey
- For those of you



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who like to eat or drink, the food category consists of

1. Cake
2. Candy
3. Coffee
4. Gift card to McDonalds

If you read this article and still don't like your options, you can also use the worlds best source for ideas: the internet.

# Quoteables

What is your dream gift?

**No School**-Cory Harding, 7th

**Taylor Lautner**-Halley Mann, 12th

**Play Station 3**-Emma Ferin, 9th

**Summer all year around**-Shannon Snyder, 11th

**'64 Red Mustang Convertible**-Mrs. Angela Davidson, Teacher

**Private Jet with island**-Autumn Harper, 12th

**Robert Pattinson**-Emily Hutchison, 12th

**Yellow iPod**-Kelsey DePauw, 9th

**Pink VW Bug**-PJ Estell, 11th



**Nick Ferin** is the son of Tom and Elaine Ferin of the Southside of Des Moines, IA. Nick has played baseball for four years, golf for four years, basketball for four years, and football for one year.

Nick's future plans are to attend Buena Vista and play baseball. Nick's most memorable moment is getting out on the field and playing high school baseball.



**Michael Deming** is the son of Rod and Mary Deming of St. Marys, IA. Michael has participated in wrestling for four years and drama for one year.

Michael's future plans are to attend DMACC to major in Criminal Justice. Michael's most memorable high school moment is being student of the month his Junior year .



**Catlin DePauw** is the daughter of Jim and Brenda DePauw of Wick, IA. Caitlin has participated in dance for four years, band for four years, drama for four years, football cheerleading for three years, speech for three years, VP of the Student council for two years, basketball cheerleading, and chorus for one year.

Caitlin's future plans are to go to Nebraska Christian College for general studies. Caitlin's most memorable high school moment is getting a division one rating at state dance for their Kick Routine.



**Kati Gehringer** is the daughter of Steve and Jolene Gehringer of St. Marys, IA. Kati has participated in volleyball for four

years, track for three years, chorus for three years, wrestling cheerleading for two years, NHS for two years, drama for two years, basketball for one year, softball for one year and student council for one year.

Kati's Future plans are to attend DMACC for two years and then transfer to a four year college for a degree in marketing or advertising. Kati's most memorable high school moment is Volleyball camps in Ames and Cedar Rapids.



**Haylee Gehringer** is the daughter of Marty and Christie Gehringer of St. Marys, IA. Haylee has participated in volleyball for four years, football cheerleading for four years, basketball for three years, track for one year, softball for one year, and baseball manager for one year.

Haylee's Future plans are to attend Grand View and major in Graphic Design and Fine Arts. Haylee's most memorable high school moment is going to state basketball her Junior year..

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