

## Varied styles step

up the pace on the dance floor as students and their guests wiggle their hips, wave their arms, and tap their feet. **1)** Alif Umari, Foreign Exchange student at Davenport Central & sophomore Reagon Guy; **2)** junior JJ Pierce; **3)** senior Leland Houston, junior Tyler Cosner; **4)** junior Juliet Bond, senior Andrew Willet, junior McKenzie Bauer; **5)** sophomore Kielanie Sanders, junior Grace Lomelino.



**Hot temps, hot gym, hot feet at HoCo**

## Securing the boutonniere,

senior Coral Dillie cautiously attaches the peach rose wrapped in a shiny silver ribbon to senior Rudy Juarez's suspenders. "North dances are always fun and if they're not then you went with the wrong people," said Dillie. Photo by Emily Jones



**Prior to entering** the dance floor, freshmen Cristal Baker and Phoebe Burkholder visit in the gym lobby as they attend their first homecoming dance.

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## Hawaiian Paradise leis it on in hot gym



### Aloha ambiance frames,

2016 graduate Selena Cuevas and senior Anna Shiltz as they take a break from the stifling dance floor in the coolness of the gym lobby. "Even though it was hot in the Big Gym, with the music and all, I had a cool time," said Shiltz. Photo by Liz Kriston

Not only was the Hawaiian theme hot, but the big gym was roasting as dance guests swayed, jumped, and wiggled to the beats of the DJ.

"Oh, I was so sweaty on the dance floor. I rolled up my dress shirt sleeves, opened the collar, pulled down the suspenders, and ditched my tie to be more comfortable in the heat," said senior Leland Houston.

One of the popular places to cool off was by the huge fan in the gym lobby by the concession stand.

"Girls let the breeze blow their skirts and guys let the cool air go up their shirts," said Mascot Victor E. Wildcat as he watched from the coat check area.

In a survey of 50 dance attenders, 38 reported that the major improvement for the dance would have been some air conditioning because overall they agreed that the

dance was much better than in the past, even the music choices.

Though there were three huge, high-powered fans, custodian Rita Long said, "Since there is no air conditioning available, our vents recycle the hot air."

"Even though the gym was very hot, 500 of our students had a good time and the DJ did a good job with the variety of music selections," said Associate Principal Mike Orfitelli.

With a twist of humor, senior Darius Green said, "The dance and the gym were almost as hot as me."

To explain the effect of the heat, junior Tyler Richardson said, "It was so hot that my girlfriend had to tell me to wipe my face off."

To sum up the heat, sophomore Haley Haussmann thought she was "going to melt."



### 2017 Homecoming Court

**Front row:** Kaitlyn Sparbel, Morgan Johnson; **Row two:** Coral Dillie, King Arif Saliu, Queen LaMya Lam; **Row three:** Rudy Juarez, Jared Beck; **Back row:** Derek Randolph, Darius Green, Kelsi Massengale. Photo by Mark Mess