

The MARION MESSENGER

Marion Junior High School

Marion, Iowa

February 2, 1967

Training School Panel Highlights PTA Meeting



The boys' gym floor became a dance floor floor when the annual Christmas dance was held after school on Monday, Dec. 19, for the eighth and ninth graders.

Honor Roll Mrs. Steadman Now Teaching Social Studies

SEVENTH GRADE

Mark Brandt, Terry Buhr, Jim Clark, Kim Collins, Luann Culbertson, Deanna Feddem, John Flory, Adrienne Ford, Jana Grady, Debbie Herdliska, Diane Hoffa, Jill Hunt.

Dick Jacobsen, Sheryl Jacque, Laurie Johnson, Joyce Lanning, Sue Mangold, John Mann, Gayl Messerly, Jane Nidey, Paula Orcutt, Steven Potter, Melton Prouty, Susan Rick, Laurie Sandry, Julie Shontz, Jane Smith, Debbie Snyder, Debbie Vinson, John Winistorfer, LaDonna York. Kurt Miles and Janet Campbell.

EIGHTH GRADE

Joan Bennett, Thomas Bowen, Diane Davis, James Gorman, Karen Hansen, Tim Hein, Monica Held, Mike Hess.

Ken King, Rae Ann McLean, Wendy Miner, Mary Beth Mobbs, Steven Moorhead, Susan Moyer, Lori Peterson, Nancy Sebern, Melodie Smaby, Ken Stalkfleet, Pam Wheeler.

NINTH GRADE

Julie Andersen, Linda Bahr, Patty Beadle, Sam Begley, Margaret Boquist, Kathy Clearwaters, Dallas Courtney, Carol Flory, Dave Handkins.

Nancy Jacobsen, Jana Ketelsen, Connie Orcutt, Dennis Schmuecker, Marilyn Winch, Chuck Cropp, Eileen McDonnell, Sandy Sparenborg, Bryan Thayer, Tom Yuva.

Coming Events

Feb. 2--8th grade basketball, Anamosa, there, 4 p.m.

Feb. 4--9th grade basketball, Benton Community, here, 9 a.m.

Feb. 9--7th and 8th grade basketball, Monticello, here, 4 p.m.

Feb. 11--9th grade basketball, Iowa City Central, there, 9 a.m.

Feb. 14--Valentines Dance for 8th and 9th grades 4:00-5:15 p.m.

Feb. 16--7th and 8th grade basketball, Manchester, there, 4 p.m.

Feb. 18--9th grade basketball, Iowa City SE, here at 9 a.m.

Feb. 21--Mid-quarter progress notices mailed today

Feb. 23--PTA Founders Day Banquet

March 7--Assembly program "Traveling the Globe with Tom Grimm"

March 17--End of third quarter.

Seventh Grade Play Given For Three Performances



The seventh grade play cast presented three performances of "Say Uncle." Cast members shown above are left to right, Janet Campbell, Dan Handkins, Gayl Messerly, Mark Brandt, Les Warner, Becky Downey, and Joyce Lanning.

The seventh grade play was held in Lincoln auditorium for three performances, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. The Thursday, Jan. 26 performance was given for the Dramatics club, the Friday assembly was given for the student body, and the performance on Saturday evening was given for families and friends.

The play, "Say Uncle", was directed by Mr. Miller. Cast members included Gayl Messerly as "Betty Lou", Becky Downey as "Connie", Mark Brandt

as "Wilbur", Dan Handkins and Joyce Lanning as "Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell", Janet Campbell as the teacher "Miss Burke", and Les Warner as "George Smith".

There was no stage crew for the play this year. Make-up crew consisted of Julie Kirzek, Julie Shontz, Peggy Bowen, Deanna Feddem, Diane Hoffa, and Connie Van Note. Julie Shontz was the announcer, Julie Klein was girls' stand-in, and Connie Van Note was prompter.

Band . . .



Band Room Condemned! Not really. The sign was found in the band room while some remodeling was done during Christmas vacation. An office was built in the band room and the room was brightened with some new paint.

VERNON JUNIOR HIGH BAND STUDENTS IN COE BAND FESTIVAL

Five Vernon Junior High School band students were recently selected to play in the

Coe Band Festival held Saturday, January 28. The students are Dave Ward, ninth grader, and Tim Hein, Jan Renfer, Nancy Sebern, and Paul Wright, all eighth graders.

January 23, 1967, the junior high P.T.A. meeting was held in the boys' gym. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Handkins presented two vocal numbers accompanied by Mrs. Bean, vocal music teacher.

The program for the evening consisted of a panel of four parolees from the State Training School in Eldora. The four boys who were on this panel were:

1. Ron who is 18 years old, has been in and out of training school three times, is now working, has enlisted in the army, and is still on parole.

2. Mike who is 17 years old, has been in and out of training school twice, is no longer on parole, and has enlisted in the army.

3. Jim, who is 16 years old, has been in and out of training school only once, now on parole, lives with his family.

4. Don who is 17 years old, has been in and out of training school two times, no longer on parole, lives with his family at home.

Some of the acts which brought these boys to the attention of officials and eventually placed them in Eldora were skipping school, forging checks, stealing cars and running away from home. The main thing these boys stressed was do your best in school, but no matter what don't drop out.

The discussion was led by Mr. Galloway who is or who has been these boys' parole officer.

The minimum age for boys at Eldora is 12 and maximum age is 17. Average age for most boys at Eldora is 15-16 years.

A large group of parents and students attended this meeting.

Basic Skills Tests

Given January 18, 19

Wednesday January 18 and Thursday January 19, Basic Skills tests were given to the seventh and eighth graders. These were given to the students so they and their teachers will know how they stand among other students in their grade.

These tests cover the basic skills--math, punctuation, vocabulary, spelling usage, capitalization, and work study skills.

Basic Skills tests are given in grades third through eighth.

WAMAC CONFERENCE BAND FESTIVAL HELD SATURDAY

The WaMac Conference Band Festival was held in Monticello Saturday, January 14. All ninth grade band students, 23 in all, participated in this. A 400 piece band was formed composed of 9th and 10th grade students, and a 300 piece band was composed of students in the 11th and 12th grades. Rehearsals were held Saturday afternoon, with a concert being presented on Saturday evening.

Messenger Sports



New eighth grade cheerleaders shown above are top row Rae Ann McLean and Pat Davis, front row, Nancy Sebern and Robin Cason.

MARION FROSH WIN TWO OVER TOUGH MANCHESTER

The B freshmen basketball team had a tough time winning its game, but the A team won with ease when the squads played here against Manchester Jan. 21.

The B team won 41-34, but not before they had to go into an overtime when the score was deadlocked 33-33 at the final buzzer. However, John Parks poured in 8 points during overtime to pull out a Marion victory.

The story of the A game was the opposite of the previous game. A pressing Marion attack gained them a quick lead and their defense was surprisingly effective as the score was 24-1 at the half. Marion played just as well in the second half and the final score was 56-18.

A TEAM	B TEAM	
Schmuecker 19	Parks	26
Morris 10	Wells	8
Odean 8	Handkins	3
Schueler 7	Camenisch	2
Wells 5	Walker	2
Handkins 3		
Walker 2		
Parks 2		

IOWA CITY EIGHTH DEFEATS INDIANS

The Iowa City Central eighth grade team defeated the Marion Indians on the home floor January 12. Marion led 12-9 at half time. Final score was Marion 21, Iowa City 30. Scorers for the Indians were Collins, 4, Jensen, 6, Martin, 2, Witte, 8, Holly, 1.

MONTICELLO 8TH DEFEATS MARION

Monticello defeated Marion in an eighth grade contest played January 19 in the Monticello gym. Monticello led at the half 19-15. Final score was Monti 42, Marion 30. Scoring for Marion were Collins, 9, Jensen, 7, Meeks, 4, Witte, 6, and Klingler, 1.

SEVENTH GRADE INDIANS DOWN IA. CITY CENTRAL

The seventh grade Indians defeated Iowa City Central 37-30 in a contest played January 12 in the Indians' gym. Marion led at half time 21-17. Leading scor-

ers for the Indians were Van Gillman, Dick Jacobsen, and Terry Skilling, each scoring 8 points. Gillman and Steve Cash fouled out in the final quarter.

BENTON COMMUNITY HANDS FRESHMEN A&B DEFEATS

The Marion freshmen couldn't stand up to Benton Community basketball squads when the teams met at Newhall Jan. 7. The B team lost 36-15 and the A team barely missed victory by a score of 35-34. Marion had better board strength and that's where the majority of their field goals were obtained. However, Benton Community proved their skill as outside shooters; most of their field goals being made outside of ten feet from the basket.

A TEAM	B TEAM	
Schmuecker 10	Parks	7
Morris 9	Yuva	4
Schueler 6	Camenisch	2
Meggers 5	Wells	2
Hucker 4		

FRESHMEN WIN OVER VINTON IN A&B GAMES

The Marion A and B squads won both games against Vinton when the freshmen played at Vinton Jan. 14. The A team won by a score of 44-22 and the B team won 29-17. The Marion squads proved their superiority as in both games they jumped out to quick leads and maintained them easily with no big threat from the opposition.

A TEAM	B TEAM	
Meggers 5	Camenisch	16
Morris 7	Whitmore	6
Hucker 4	Begley	4
Yuva 8	Wells	2
Schmuecker 20	Stanford	1

SEVENTH GRADE DEFEATS MONTI PANTHERS 32-25

The seventh grade basketball team defeated the Monticello Panthers 32-25 in a contest played January 19 in Monticello. High Indian scorer was Van

Gillman with 9 points. Other scorers were Mark Burgess and Chuck Loula, each with 7, Steve Cash, 6, and Dick Jacobsen with 3.



Up it goes! Steve Wells(10) gets into action in a Saturday morning ninth grade basketball game.

G.R.A. Standings

TERRI HOPKINS IS FIRST IN G.R.A. TRAMPOLINE TESTS

Of the 61 seventh grade girls who participated in G.R.A. trampoline intramurals, Terri Hopkins came in first with 55 points. Julie Klein and Laurie had 48 Johnson came in second and fifth. Julie had 54 points and Laurie had 48. These three winners are in home room 207, and they helped it to place first among the other home rooms. Julie Shontz of home room 209-A came in third with 51 points and Adrienne Ford of 308 placed fourth with 50 points. Julie and Adrienne were first in their home rooms along with Paula Orcutt of home room 206, Janet Campbell of 310, Debbie Moore of 209-B and Diane Ward of 110.

1. Terri Hopkins--55 points
2. Julie Klein 54
3. Julie Shontz 51
4. Adrienne Ford 50
5. Laurie Johnson 48

FRESHMEN TRIM MONTICELLO EASILY

Against one of their toughest opponents, the Marion freshmen won both A and B games by seemingly easy figures. The A team won 58-42 while the B team also won 41-25 when the Monticello squads came here to play on December 17. The two teams played equally except Monticello didn't have good scoring luck. A good tight defense prevented Monti from coming in closer to the basket, and as a result they were forced to shoot a lot from the outside. The scoring was quite well spread out among Marion players as is shown:



Bill Montgomery demonstrated his wrestling ability in the meet with Anamosa.

G.R.A. Holds Meeting Jan 17

G.R.A. held a meeting January 17 at 8 a.m. in the girls' gym. The following topics were discussed.

Bowling intramurals will soon begin. Some teams will bowl all games at the Marion Bowl. It will cost them 70¢ per night for two games. The teams choosing to bowl two weeks at the alley and two weeks at the gym will pay only 10¢ per person. There will be a bake sale all four Fridays in February.

The point system was discussed and accepted unanimously. There has been good response at the intramural participation. The girls were complimented for sitting orderly in a pep club group at the games. The meeting ended at 8:20.

BOWLING STARTED FOR GIRLS

Bowling Intramurals have started for the girls. 120 girls participated in this activity. There are two leagues. League one will bowl at the Marion Bowl each Monday starting January 30 and ending Feb. 20. League two will be bowling at Marion Bowl two weeks and in the girls' gym two weeks. Team and individual awards will be given.

ATHLETIC CLUB WILL ATTEND WRESTLING MEET

At the last meeting of the Athletic Club the group decided to attend the Big 10 wrestling meet at Cornell College in February. In March they plan to attend a baseball game at Cornell. Athletic Club is open to any boy receiving a letter in any sport at Vernon Junior High.

Are you looking for a good book? Ninth graders suggest:

Death Be Not Proud by John Gunther

Cheaper by the Dozen by Mark Gilbreth and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey

Shane by Jack Schaefer

Born Free by Joy Adamson

The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane

Eighth Moon by Sansan

The Moon Spinners by Mary Stewart.

Editorial . . .

Were your report cards for this quarter filled with low grades? If they were you probably weren't too proud, especially if you know you could have received B's or A's. If you tried hard and your grades were still not the best, that is nothing to be ashamed of. Yet, maybe you wonder, "Why don't I get higher grades when I know I'm trying hard?" But, are you really trying hard? A good student usually has morals by which his school life is governed.

Listed below are some of those morals. Look at them, live by them, and see what your grades are next quarter.

Good students: act pleasantly, cooperate with school regulations, speak clearly and correctly, dress appropriately, have good manners, participate in school activities, develop good reputations, avoid undesirable companions, contribute to class discussions, ask and answer questions frequently, listen attentively, take notes carefully, write legibly and neatly, have good work habits, budget study time, control interferences (as radio, TV, telephone, etc.) apply the laws of learning, get interested in every subject, try to understand, not just memorizing, do their own work, avoid cramming for exams, but review systematically and at regular intervals, take on special assignments, and last, but not least **READ**.

Remember, students, you could and should get good grades.

"Top Ten" Given By Stalkfleet

By Ken Stalkfleet

1. "Rotten Grapes" by the "Raisin Sons"
2. "Wipe Out" by Pledge and his Dust Cloths"
3. "Not Your Steppin' Stone" by the "Pebbles"
4. "Wild Pig" by the Bucking "hams"
5. "A Place in the Sun" by the "Sunsports"
6. "Our Four Legged Friends" by the "Animals"
7. "The Kings Heaviest Singers" by the "Kings" ton" Trio
8. "Take Me Back" by the "Orphans"
9. "Coming Home Soldier" by the Daughters of the American Revolution
10. "Summer Breeze" by the "Hurricanes".

CLUB MEETS

The second meeting of the Spanish Club was held December 1 at 3:45 p.m.

At the previous meeting election of officers was held. Officers are Nancy Jacobsen, president; Cathy Clearwaters, vice-president; Carol Flory, secretary; and David Handkins, treasurer.

Plans for the rest of the year are:

FEBRUARY:
Match Game
Spanish students (teams) participating

MARCH:
Sports and games from Spanish-speaking countries

APRIL:
Pan-American Day
Student from Cuba or Ecuador

MAY:
Elections (next year's officers)
Adjournment for year

This is the first year for Spanish Club. The group is sponsored by Mrs. Pumroy.