

# The MARION MESSENGER

VERNON JUNIOR HIGH

MARION, IOWA

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## Science Students Keep Busy On Projects



Eighth grade science students at work on the weather map are Brad Nielsen and Dave Williams.



Dianne Handkins and Steve Roth are busy with their assignment of staining bacteria in a recent science class, but Jim King seems much more interested in the camera than in the bacteria.



Once upon a time the weather was very nice and one of the seventh grade science classes went on a treasure hunt. The searched-for-treasure was insect specimens. Here they are busily searching out the grassy areas looking for the insects.



Kevin Klopfenstein shows off the insect specimen he found during the recent field trip.

## Student Council Busy On Money Project

The Student Council is again making about \$30 to \$40 a day selling ice cream to the students during the noon hours.

In November, the Student Council will be sponsoring a clothing drive. This is an annual project of the Council. However, the Council also plans to try out some new ideas this year.

Last year the profits from selling ice cream were used for a new sign for the front of the building, some athletic equipment, and a film projector. This is still some money left from last year. Again this year they will spend the money made from selling ice cream to purchase something the the junior high.

Last year the Linn-Mar Student Council visited our school and discussed their ideas with our Student Council. Mr. Steadman, Council advisor, thinks that Linn-Mar will be hosts to our Student Council this year.



Laurence Sills and Mike Jacobs also were busy with slides of stained bacteria.



## Halloween Theme For Dance

The first eighth and ninth grade dance for the year was held Thursday, October 24 in the boys gym. Mr. Barrow's and Mrs. Taylor's homerooms were in charge.

Using Halloween as their theme, they decorated the gym with grinning jack-o-lanterns and other Halloween ideas.

The refreshments were doughnuts and pop. The dance was enjoyed by all those who attended.

## Camera Club

Camera club is presently selling 5 x 7 pictures of football players and cheerleaders for 25¢. The pictures can be purchased in Mr. Vaske's room, Room 307. Mr. Vaske has also requested that all club members pay their 25¢ club dues as soon as possible.

## Meet The Teachers

### MR. MILLER

One of the seventh grade Language arts teachers is Mr. Miller. He graduated from the University of Dubuque, and has had five years of college. He majored in history and minored in English and French.

C.B. Vernon has been his one and only teaching position. He has taught here for eight years, teaching social studies and English for four years and language arts for four years.

Mr. Miller likes good books, movies, Marion Jr. High, TIME MAGAZINE, playing the organ, colored television, fishing, friendly people and Mercury Cougars.

He collects L.P. records. His favorites are Glen Campbell, Petula Clark, Connie Francis, and the "Seekers." He also thinks Jimi Hendrix Experience is pretty good. (How's that grab ya?)

He dislikes rude people, students who don't get their work done, and he doesn't care for Elvis Presley.

### MR. BARROW

Mr. Barrow, who teaches 7th and 9th grade science, began his schooling at a little country school and did not attend any separate junior high school. He attended the Van Buren Community High School. He received his B.S. degree from Iowa State University, Ames, and is presently working on his Masters degree at University of Northern Iowa. Following college graduation he began teaching science at Vernon Junior High.

His interests are just enjoying life, watching sports, and playing bridge. He likes food and he enjoys reading. He dislikes students who always ask "why" when they are given directions.

Mr. Barrow is married; he does not have any children, but he does have several goldfish.

## Open House Held Sept 23 Termed Success

On Monday, September 23, an annual Open House was held at C. B. Vernon Junior High.

During this Open House the parents had an opportunity to visit classes and to meet various teachers. They too learned about the school curriculum from discussions in various classes.

After the parents attended all of the classes, coffee was served in the gym.

About 300 parents attended this event and in Mr. Fowler's opinion it was very successful and he felt that the parents had enjoyed it very much.

## Vacation Day Held Oct. 7

On Monday, October 7, the junior high students enjoyed a day of vacation while their teachers were attending the WaMac Institute in Vinton.

This was the 3rd annual WaMac Institute meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to enable the teachers to discuss mutual education problems.

This meeting was held in two different buildings, the new Tilford Junior High School and the Washington High School in Vinton. The meeting began at 9:00 a.m. and ended at 3:00 p.m. The following towns were represented at the meeting. Vinton, Independence, Manchester, Marion, Maquoketa, Monticello, Anamosa, and Tipton. There were approximately 450 teachers present.

The key note address was given by Mr. Jay Harold Bragg.

In Tipton, the elementary schools also held a WaMac Institute meeting on the same day.

The annual PTA potluck was held Monday, October 28 at the Vernon Junior High boys gym. Approximately 200 parents and teachers attended this meeting. Musical entertainment was provided by the faculty men's chorus. Following the dinner, a film on trick shooting was viewed.

### MR. VASKE

Mr. Vaske, eighth grade science teacher, grew up in Manchester on a farm. He has seven brothers and one sister. He was graduated from the Iowa State University at Ames receiving a BS degree. He received an MA from the University of Iowa.

Mr. Vaske is married and has five children, three girls and two boys ranging from the ages of nine years down to seven months.

He has worked at many different jobs but enjoys teaching the most. He taught at Gilbert Community High School before coming here.

He enjoys hunting, woodworking, collecting rocks and fossils, and photography as leisure activities. He enjoys wrestling most out of all the school's sports.

Mr. Vaske had a closing statement, quote "I am going the students A R C GH T H I N K I N G." (He smiled when he said that.) He also said we had a good group of students again this year.

### MR. DEWEES

Anyone for science? Well! Mr. DeWees is -- any day.

Mr. DeWees is a ninth grade science teacher. He was graduated from Iowa State University at Ames with a major in biology. He has taken six years of college.

Mr. DeWees first taught science at Midland Community Schools. He has been at Vernon Junior High for two years.

Mr. DeWees dislikes students who disrupt class; he likes a student who is a hard worker.

## Dramatics Club Holds Meeting

Dramatics Club is headed by Mrs. Stack, ninth grade language arts teacher, and Mr. Miller, seventh grade language arts teacher. They have held on meeting since school has begun. At this meeting officers were selected for the school year 1968-69. The officers are Becky Downey, president; Debbie Vinson, vice-president; Julie Shontz, secretary; Laurie Sandry, treasurer; and Peg Bowen, program chairman. The club meets once a month.

To be in dramatics club you are required to fill out a paper answering the questions, 1) Why do you wish to join and 2) What do you hope to do in and for the club?

All junior high students are eligible to join. There are 23 seventh grade members, 19 eighth grade members, and 26 ninth graders. Members are allowed one unexcused absence and two excused absences to stay a member.

The Dramatics Club plans to present one play for each grade level during the year.

## What Do You Think?

"What do you think of a witch who wears white socks?" This question was recently asked and the following comments were the answers received.

Jill Moming---GROOVY!?!?  
Debbie Hollingsworth---Out-a-sight  
Jane Stimson---Freaky!  
Van Gillman---real class!  
Mark Burgess--- -1  
Brad Nielson--- Too much!  
Craig Lowry---Turns me off!  
Lynn Evarts---far-out!  
Kristin Walrath---stupid!  
Mrs. Zoerink---Really?  
Mrs. Rowen---oooooh?  
Mrs. Stack---color co-ordinated!





Eighth grade basketball cheerleaders were selected at the beginning of the school year. Girls who will be leading yells at the basketball games are Donna Boyd, Jonni Sue Ford, Debbie Long, Marcia Renfer, and Barbara Maier.

## GRA Off To Good Start

G.R.A. is off to a great start again this year with Mrs. Moore as advisor. Officers were elected and are as follows: Laurie Sandry, presdient; Terri Hopkins, vice-president; Crissa Finn, secretary; Janet Campbell, treasurer, and Peg Bowen, reporter. Five girls each from seventh and eighth grade and three from ninth grade were chosen as recorders with Julie Shontz selected as head recorder. Some fun events planned for the year are the swimming party at Cornell College on October 21. Softball is underway for all of the month of October with ping-pong scheduled for November. Selling candy at junior high football games has become a big success.

Freshman girls are going to try again to get a girls' basketball team started. The girls will really need support as they feel basketball sounds really groovy. Mrs. Moore played post forward in high school scoring her county record of 58 points in one game which was broken only two years ago. So start speaking up with real school spirit.

G.R.A. is really a blast, and the best part is anyone can join.

## We Asked . . .

We asked this question of some of the students and teachers:  
"What do you think the word 'zoroaster' means?"

Unknown to the teachers and students the real meaning is -- A famous Persian religious teacher who lived about 1000 B.C.

- 7th Grade
1. Steve Fish - I think it would mean taking a walk with someone special when there is a full moon.
  2. Kitty Carsner - A new name for money.
  3. Sam Newberry - A cooking utensil.
  4. Wendy Hinker - A new dance.
  5. Cindy Hudson - A new place to live.
- 8th Grade
1. Debbie Hunter - An animal.
  2. Denise Cox - Some kind of Italian food.
  3. Cindy Dippel - When you roast meat on a sword.
- 9th Grade
1. G. J. Tuttrup - Some kind of a disease.
  2. Steve Olson - A new kind of grill for cooking.
  3. Bob Sixta - Something to shoot.
  4. Jeff Schott - Dandle's Motorcycle.
  5. Brade Bates - I'd say but you can't put it in print.
  6. Roger Bailey - Squirrel Land.
- Teachers
1. Mr. Meggars - Something you can eat on Sunday.
  2. Mrs. Rowen - Tge Otu?
  3. Mr. Miller - As I recall, it is the name of a man who founded an ancient religion based on his life and beliefs.

## Messenger Staff

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| Peg Bowen            | Julie Klein          |
| Debbie Newberry      | Joel Jacobson        |
| Peg Kleis            | Ken Murdoch          |
| Debbie Hollingsworth | Cindy Hudson         |
| Connie Van Note      | Kitty Carsner        |
| Jane Stimson         | Antoinette Ratkewicz |
| Julie McCormack      | Pam Olson            |
| Pam Mullenix         | Wendy Collins        |
| Roma Ellwood         | Don Wishniewsky      |
| Dan Steckel          |                      |

Advisor Miss Coleman

# Awards Presented To Football Athletes

## Eighth Wins

The eighth grade football team recorded its first win of the season on October 1 by beating Monticello 27-0. Gregg Anderson, Don Wishniewsky, Gary Bolden, and Jim Bunting all scored touchdowns in this game. Gary Bolden also scored two extra points while Mike Duncan added another one.

## Second Win For Eighth Graders

The eighth grade football team won its second game of the season on October 10 beating Anamosa 28-6. Gary Bolden had three long touchdown runs while Gregg Anderson scored the other touchdown on a two-yard run. Extra points were scored by Steve Rushford, Gary Bolden, and Don Wishniewsky.

## Seventh Downs Manchester

The seventh grade football team accomplished what the eighth grade team didn't do, when they defeated Manchester 8-6 on the home field on Thursday, Sept. 26. Paul Winistorfer scored the touchdown for Marion, and Jim Robbins scored a touch-back.

Marion held their lead and won 8-6.

## Eighth Finishes With 3-1 Record

The eighth grade football team finished out its season on the bright side by beating Prairie on October 17 by a score of 21 to 19. Gary Bolden scored all three touchdowns for Marion on runs of 45, 50, and eight yards. The Indians built up a 21-6 halftime lead, but had to put up a stunning defense in the final few seconds to hold off Prairie.

The team's final record was 3 wins and 1 loss, the only loss being to Manchester in the first game. This record was one of the best put together by an eighth grade team in a few years.



The eighth grade football team is shown in action during one of the four games played during the season.

The following athletes were recently named as winners of emblems and certificates or certificates only as the football season for 1968-69 ended at C.B. Vernon Junior High.

### Seventh Grade:

Emblem and certificate: Albaugh, Gary; Anderson, Alan; Begley, Tim; Davis, Don; Greene, Mike; Hoke, Dan; Jensen, Terry; King, Jim; Knott, Jeff; Long, Rick; McDougall, Tom; Meader, Doug; Moh-winkle, Kevin; Mullens, Richard; Newberry, Sam; Oglesby, Lon; Olson, Randy; Robbins, Jim; Roth, Stephen; Sommer-ville, Chuck; Stotler, Jeff; Venzke, Frank; Ward, Jon; Wells, Randal; Winis-torfer, Paul; Wisheart, Robert; Rathje, Steven, Mgr.

Certificate only: Abben, Steven; Anthony, Tharon; Bell, Gerald; Bice, Tom; Boyd, Wayne; Brown, Mike; Collins, Kane; Davis, Bill; Delaney, Chris; Dippel, Terry; Fry, Doug; Hoffa, Mike; Jacobs, Mike; Jacoby, David; Klopfenstein, Kevin;

Lasho, Steven; Massey, Ray; Maske, John; McElligott, David; Muller, Stephen; Mumm, Leonard; Murdoch, Ken; Netz, Larry; Nidey, Rick; Niles, John; Painter, Don; Prostine, David; Renter, Geoff; Rugg, Mike; Schatzberg, Steve; Sills, Lawrence; Stolze, Stephen.

### Eighth Grade:

Emblem and certificate: Anderson, Greg; Bolden, Gary; Borst, Mike; Bunting, Jim; Draeger, Jeff; Duncan, Mike; Hay, Steve; Harris, Mark; Hess, Mark; Hopkins, Barry; Hutchins, Dan; Johnson, Mike; Jones, Tim; Kilburz, Brad; Knicker-bocker, Kirk; Morgan, Jerry; Morris, Jon; McCue, Glen; Nielson, Brad; Nielsen, Steve; Rushford, Steve; Skilling, Kirk; Wade, Randy; Williams, Dave; Wishnie-wsky, Don; Jacobson, Joel, Mgr.

Certificate only: Brackett, Kerry; Carter, Mark; Davison, Steve; Duncan, Mark; Gott, Mike; Kenton, Scott; Koeppen, Eric; Nelson, Kim; Pedersen, Brad; Pet-ers, Doug; Slater, Rick; Thomas, Eric; Urban, David; Waters, Bruce; Wilkey, Tim.

### Ninth Grade:

Emblem and certificate: Bailey, Rod-ger; Burgess, Mark; Christensen, Max; Ciha, Mike; Clark, Jim; Coker, Joe; Cox, Joel; Ernster, Kevin; Gillman, Van; Jacobsen, Dick; Jensen, Steve; Kelly, Rick; Lancaster, Jerry; Luedtke, Jon; Miles, Kurt; Olson, Jay; Orness, Carey; Schott, Jeff; Skilling, Terry; Wilson, Doug; Winistorfer, John; Mullinex, Steve, Mgr.

Certificate only: Begley, Dan; Hradek, Russ; Kemper, Ken; Olsen, Steve; Shep-pard, Alan; Sumner, Roger; Travis, Mike; Warrick, Scott.



The eighth grade football team pictured above with their coaches Mr. Meggers and Mr. Hoepner compiled a season record of 3 wins and 1 loss. Their only loss was to Manchester.