

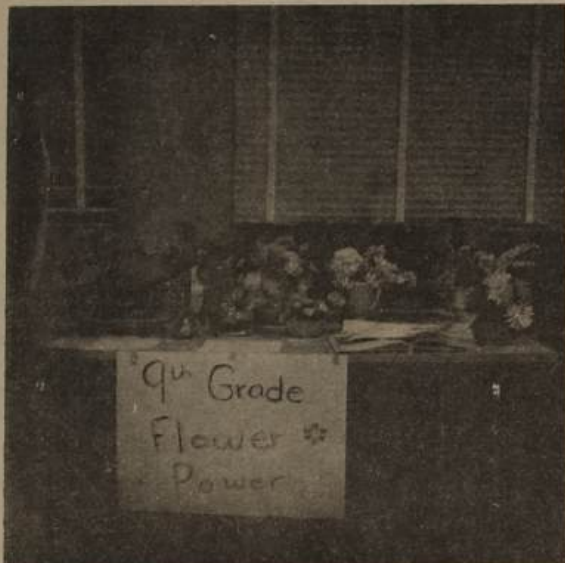
The MARION MESSENGER

MARION JUNIOR HIGH

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Projects displayed at PTA Open House



A variety of items were on display for the annual PTA open house held at Vernon junior high Monday, April 21. Many science projects, clothing construction and flower arranging projects were exhibited.

Science Club has Fair entrants

The seventh grade Science Club is working on their projects. The last meeting of the club was held on April 15, 1969.

Four members of the eighth grade Science club entered the Eastern Iowa Science Fair. These were Debbie Brecht, Bob Huffman, Doug Morris and Debbie Wickham. Debbie Wickham received an honorable mention.

Debbie Brecht's project was testing Ivory Soap to see if it was really cheaper than the so-called "cheap" soaps, such as Trend, etc. She found that Ivory was cheaper because it washed more dishes for the same amount of soap.

Bob Huffman found the heat center of Marion by taking isotherms of Marion for several months.

Debbie Wickham tested ESP and Doug Morris tested the accuracy of the Farmers Almanac.

Ninth grade Science club had two members entered in the Science Fair. Their last meeting was held April 15, 1969. This was their final meeting.

Band to hold final concert

The Vernon Junior High school band is going to be very busy this spring. The final concert of the school year will be given on May 13.

Many eighth and ninth grade students will be participating in the high school concert and the solo and ensemble event on April 26. Those students include Nancy

Griffin, Debbie Vinson, Bob Hemmingsen, and Roma Ellwood, clarinet quartet; a saxophone quartet consisting of Marcia Renfer, LeAnn Weltha, Marcia Palas, and Frank Venske; a trumpet trio consisting of Steve Potter, Jon Derflinger, and Ken Kemper; and flute solos by Jana Grady and Laurie Sandry accompanied by Debbie Snyder.

Oration contest

The annual Civic Oration contest will be held at Vernon Junior high for seventh, eighth, and ninth grade students on May 1. The topic for this year's oration is "Family Unity and Changing Times" and it deals with relationships with your family.

Students participating in the contest are Sarah Thorpe, Kevin Klopfenstein, Pam Mullenix, Lynda Vandenberg, and Karen Bond, all seventh graders; Debbie Brecht, and Gwen Barnes, both in eighth grade, and Debbie Newberry, Jana Grady, Anita Jones, Bob Sixta, Diane Ward, Jill Hunt, and Peg Bowen, all ninth grade students.

Dramatics Club plan for final party

With the third and final Dramatics Club presentation for the year just completed, the Club is now planning for their end-of-the-year party to be held in May. The party is to be a pizza party held at Shakey's Pizza Parlor.

Each year the Dramatics Club is res-

ponsible for three one-act plays, a seventh grade production, an eighth grade production, and a ninth grade production. Being in a play is a new experience for many cast members. They find that they have to work hard, but much pleasure is derived. The plays are directed by Mr. Miller and Mrs. Stack, advisors of the Dramatics Club.

Track begins

With the school year coming to a close in a few short weeks, the last of the year's sports, track, begins.

Four meets are scheduled this year. The first, the Marion Invitational, set for April 19 was rescheduled because of bad weather. This meet will now be held on April 29. Second is the WaMac Conference meet at Tipton, Dubuque Relays is third on the list. This will include many schools from both Iowa and Illinois. The last of the track meets is the Prairie Relays set for May 17.

The track teams are coached by Mr. Brainard, seventh grade, Mr. Meggers,

Vernon lists third quarter Honor Students

The following junior high school students have been named to the third quarter honor roll at C.B. Vernon. Our congratulations to these students.

SEVENTH GRADE

Alan Anderson, Mary Andrea, Shelley Arjes, Sheryl Barton, Eric Baur, Tim Begley, Laura Bell, Denise Bennett, Lin Berreth, Karen Bond, Phyllis Claypool, Wendy Hammond, Dianne Handkins, Marjory Hansen, Laurie Hicks, Dan Hoke

David Jacoby, Terry Jensen, Gail Johnson, Kim Johnson, Susan Kincheloe, Kevin Klopfenstein, David McElligott, Connie Mentzer, Susan Milbach, Stephen Roth, Jill Sandry, Chris Shurtz, Pam Swearingen, Sarah Thorpe, Sandy Wade, Randy Wells, Paul Winistorfer, Franklin York, Mark Zeigler.

EIGHTH GRADE

Joanita Barlow, Gwen Barnes, Gary Bolden, Paula Chesley, Janet Gallagher, Mike Gott, Nancy Griffin, Steve Hay, Bob Hemmingsen, Teresa Himes, Bob Huffman, Mike Johnson,

Brad Kiburz, Jay Ledvina, Ellen Livingston, Debbie Long, Barbara Maier, Doug Morris, Kim Nelson, Steve Nielsen, Pam Olson, Brad Pedersen, Jodi Petersen, Antoinette Ratkewicz, Marcia Renfer, Connie Schnell, Julie Taylor, Tawnya Tew, Randy Wade, Don Wishniewsky,

NINTH GRADE

Peg Bowen, Janet Campbell, Jim Clark, Deanna Feddem, Adrienne Ford, Judy Grishaber, Debbie Herdliska, Terri Hopkins, Jill Hunt, Dick Jacobsen, Sheryl Jacque, Steve Jensen, Laurie Johnson, Connie Larson, Jerry Long, Susan Mangold,

Kurt Miles, Paula Orcutt, Steve Potter, Julie Shontz, Terry Skilling, Mike Travis, Debbie Vinson, Becky Wenndt, John Winistorfer, Mike Wood, LaDonna York.



Sloppy Joe Day, April 1, was followed by an after-school dance. Casual costumes were plentiful and colorful on the dance floor.

Tuesday, April 1, was Sloppy Joe Day. For the girls the costumes ranged from dresses to jeans, white socks and Dad's old shirt. For the boys it was wigs, no socks, cruddy jeans, shirt tails hanging out, and messed up hair.

After school, a dance was held sponsored by the Spanish club. During the dance several Spanish classes got together and sang "Henry VIII" in Spanish. At the conclusion of the dance refreshments were served.

eighth grade, and Mr. Hoeppner, ninth grade.

SPANISH CLUB PLANS TRIP TO ST. LOUIS

The Spanish Club is planning a trip to St. Louis June 13-14. While in St. Louis, they will visit the Spanish Pavilion, St. Louis Arch, go to a baseball game, and go to the St. Louis zoo.

To raise money for this trip, they sponsored the Sloppy Joe Dance and sold candy.

'Miss Twiddle & The Devil' Is Presented By 9th Grade



Mrs. Simons, the landlady, played by Anita Jones watches disapprovingly as Emmy, the maid, played by Julie Klein is caught watching television instead of dusting. Sleeping in the chair, as usual, is Mr. Humperdinck, a tenant, played by Russ Hradek.



Tenants shown above relaxing at the boarding house are Miss Marchbanks, who is enjoying her own brew -- dandelion wine, Miss Plum and Mr. Dooley, who is helping Miss Plum with her knitting. They were played by Kathy Power, Laurie Johnson, and Roger Sumner. Still in his usual position is Mr. Humperdinck.



The devil, Nicholas Q. Nicholas, played by Mike Wood, and his assistant Harry, played by Les Warner, strongly emphasize to Miss Twiddle what will become of her unless she changes her sinful ways. Janet Campbell played Miss Twiddle.



The devil made his point, and Miss Twiddle, in apology, returns Miss Marchbanks dandelion wine. Watching this unusual turn of events are the "devil" and Emmy.

Approximately 400 parents, friends, brothers and sisters, and other interested persons attended the annual PTA spring open house held Monday, April 21 at Vernon Junior High School.

The seventh grade chorus began the program by performing two selections. The first was "The Carnival of Venice" which is a rondo based upon well known tunes. Their second selection was "Step to the Rear." The chorus was accompanied by Karen Bond and Mrs. Taylor.

A clarinet quartet, Nancy Griffin, Debbie Vinson, Bob Hemmingsen and Roma Ellwood presented "Caprice for Clarinets."

Following the musical portion of the program, the ninth grade production of "Miss Twiddle and the Devil" was presented. The play was introduced by Steve Olson. Cast members included Janet Campbell, Kathy Power, Laurie Johnson, Anita Jones, Julie Klein, Mike Wood, Les Warner, Roger Sumner and Russ Hradek. Student directors were Julie Shontz and Becky Downey. Mr. Miller was director.

Following the program, the classrooms were open and visitors were free to view displays.

A seventh grade science fair was held in conjunction with the open house.

Cheerleaders practice

Eighth and ninth grade girls have been participating in cheerleading practices at the high school. Twelve football cheerleaders will be chosen this spring, with twelve basketball and eight wrestling cheerleaders being picked next fall. Attendance at practices pays off in points for G.R.A. members. A minimum of 200 points, earned in various ways, is required of any girl planning to go on the all-day outing, presently set for Saturday May 10.

Swimming parties are being held Friday, April 18, and Monday, April 28, for a 60¢ fee. Volleyball intramurals began Tuesday, April 22, and the girls' track meet is scheduled for the 19th of May.

Library Club on field trip

Thirty-seven members of the Library Club, accompanied by Mrs. Zoerink, Mrs. Pumroy, and Mr. Hoepfner, went on a field trip Tuesday, April 8.

They toured the University of Iowa library. There they saw the reference

room which included encyclopedias of all languages. They also saw phonograph materials, and the newspapers in foreign languages.

Following their tour of the library and dinner at Todd's Indian House, they toured Dobbs Book Bindery in Cedar Rapids. There they saw how old covers of books are removed and how new covers are put on.

The tour began at 8:30 and they arrived back at the junior high about 2:30.

Magic Doors

"Doors are interesting. They open and close." These are seven, simple, little words expressed in two sentences. They may be simple, but they have a very special meaning.

Doors are such an everyday part of our lives that we rarely give them much thought. Just when we bump into them or they stick when we wish to pass through. Yet the more we think about them, the deeper grows their meaning.

The doors through which we choose to pass determine to a very great extent, the kind of people we will become. Which door will you choose? The one to failure or the one to success? You would certainly take success. But how can this be achieved?

We are expected to prepare for the future by doing our best in the present, namely school. The door can be opened if we acquire all the knowledge we can, learn to live with others, and learn to use good habits. Don't stand behind closed doors.

There are many kinds of doors. To name a few, we immediately think of school and college doors, library and

church doors, doors to gambling houses and bars, barn doors, bank doors, hospital doors, and prison doors. Besides all these are doors of homes, factories, business houses, and stores through which we pass constantly in and out, out and in. Which ones will you walk through?

Yes, doors are interesting. They open and close. And the doors we open and close each day decide the lives we live.

WHAT IF. . . .

SCOTT was a PATIO instead of a DECK?
STEVE was a WHALE instead of a FISH?
DOUG was BAKE instead of FRY?
DAVID was a HUNTER instead of a FISHER?

SUE was WEAKLY instead of HARDY?
JIM was a PRINCE instead of a KING?
JEFF was a BOW instead of a KNOTT?
ROBERT was PLEASANT instead of MOODY?

SAM or DEBBIE was an OLDBERRY instead of a NEWBERRY?
JIM was LOSS instead of PROFITT?
GEOFF was OWNER instead of RENTER?
CHUCK was WINTERVILLE instead of SUMERVILLE?

SANDY or RANDY could SWIM instead of WADE?
MELANIE had FENCES instead of GATES?
MIKE still WANTED instead of GOTT?
STEVE was OATS instead of HAY?
DEBBIE was a FISHER instead of a HUNTER?

SUSAN was a ROAD instead of a LANE?
DEBBIE was SHORT instead of LONG?
STEVE was BOLD instead of MEEK?
JANISE or JILL was EVENING instead of MORNING?
TAWNYA was THREE instead of TEW?
DAVID and JULIE were RURAL instead of URBAN?

ADRIENNE was a CADILLAC instead of a FORD?

CINDY was a MOUNTAIN instead of a HILL?
JILL was FOUND instead of HUNT?
BECKY was COME instead of WENNDT?
TIM was a PREMIER instead of a ZAERR?
BRUCE was DULL instead of WITTE?

YES, WHAT IF?

WE ASKED. . .

WE ASKED. . . "What does the word Tacuedoin mean?" and "What would you do with it?"

THEY ANSWERED. . .

Linda Gollaher -- it's a hotdog
Kane Collins -- I think it is a name for a pretty girl
Julie McCormack -- Take me to it --
Lisa Jensen -- bubble bath
Matt Terronez -- it's a worm
John Niles -- eat it
Bob Wisehart -- something you would throw away
Mrs. Simpson -- I'd share it with my homeroom
Paula Orcutt -- I think you made it up
Colleen Linn -- You've got me hanging
Chris McMillen -- that's where it's at
Steve Barton -- a Mexican fly in some chili
Dale Oliphant -- Think it out
Bob Sixta -- a piece of chocolate
Debbie Newberry -- very interesting; but what does it mean?

TACUEDOIN is really EDUCATION scrambled.

Meet the Teachers

MR. DONALD

Mr. Donald, our vocal music director, is a very nice person to get to know a lot better.

When he was asked what he liked best about all of his seventh grade classes, he said, "Many show enthusiasm to sing."

He said he dislikes kids who lack enthusiasm. He feels a small group of unenthusiastic students can really hurt the enthusiasm of a class.

His favorite hobby is fishing; his favorite subject to talk about is jokes because he likes to tell them.

He enjoys teaching because he enjoys watching students mature.

Mr. Donald is married; he and his wife have four children. They are Jeff, 10; Mike, 7; Amy, 3 and DeAnn, 1-1/2. Mrs. Donald is a homemaker.

Previous to coming to Marion to teach, Mr. Donald taught all grades of music in Martelle and in Dike. This is his second year in Vernon Junior High.

MRS. ZOERINK

Mrs. Zoerink was born in LeMars, Iowa, and started her education at the Merrill Grade School which she attended in kindergarten through eighth grade. For grades nine and ten she went to school at Mountain Lake, Minnesota. She graduated from LeMars High School.

To learn to be a librarian, she went to the University of Northern Iowa, majoring in Library Science and geography.

Her family consists of her husband, Dennis, herself, and a pekingese named Buffy.

Her interests are sewing, swimming, and horseback riding. She also likes to travel because her husband works for United Airlines.

Mrs. Zoerink was born under the sign of Leo, and when she dies she would like to donate her eyes to an eye bank.

MR. ROUSSELL

Mr. Roussell was born in Dubuque and he attended school through high school graduation in that city. Majoring in music, he attended the University of Dubuque for two years. He transferred to the University of Iowa, taking his final two years of work there. As a University of Iowa band member, Mr. Roussell and his fellow band members, toured some European countries and Russia.

Mr. Roussell is married; they are the parents of a baby son, Paul. Their family also consists of a dog named Hogan.

His main interests are sports, specifically water sports. His hobby is practicing his trombone.

Mr. Roussell does not appreciate lack of respect, such as talking in band. He feels the band members should appreciate the meaning of band, to work together for something great. This is Mr. Roussell's second year as band director for Vernon Junior High.