

The MESSENGER

VERNON JUNIOR HIGH Thursday, March 11, 1971

Students Named To Jr. Hi Honor Roll

The following names were placed on the honor roll for the second quarter. We congratulate all of those students who achieved this honor, and we encourage many more to work to achieve this honor during the coming quarters.

SEVENTH GRADE: Anna Ackley, Leslie Andersen, Debbie Armstrong, Julia Balcom, Brian Bennett, Joan Blommers, Joanne Brokaw, Tamara Cerney, Julie De Woody, Bill Dolley, Kim Flugga, Nancy Fye, Theresa Hall, Susan Hallock, Julie Hansen, Rhonda Hartman, Jay Hebert, Barb Hemmingsen, Steven Herreid, Chris Horner, Natalie Jackson, Dana Jeffrey, Tony Jensen, Cheryl Joice, David Kinchloe, Scott Larson, Pat Lembke, Brian Madeson, Mark Manbeck, Brian Marks, Melissa McGowan, Terri McKern, Curt McMillen, Michelle Mead, Marsha Milbach, David Nash, Tierney Oakley, Cindy Oxley, Sue Ryan, Ronda Salven, Linda Sperry, Pat Swearingen, Lynette Tanner, Patty Tharp, Julie Tietjen, John Wicke, Karen Williamson, and Wendy Wolmutter.

EIGHTH GRADE: Linda Allen, Jennie Balcom, Jennifer Barnes, Kim Blake, Dean Bliss, Chris Boots, Sindie Bruring, Frank Camp, Sheryl Campbell, Cheryl Carstens, Ron Crouse, Karen Folkers, Paul Garlinghouse, Duane Goehring, Mike Grady, Brenda Hicks, Dale Johnson, Phyllis Johnson, Nat Kleis, Paige Klingler, Wendy Marshall, Mark Morgan, Valerie Paul, Connie Power, Jane Risk, Jim Rundlett, Tyler Salven, Claudia Schorle, Kim Skilling, John Snyder, Charles Vernon, Cindy Vesey, and Ken York.

NEW PROGRAM TERMED SUCCESS

The Student Council is working closely with Mr. Fowler and Mr. Steadman in making the new noon recreational program a success. It is important that everyone back these efforts in order that the program cannot only continue but perhaps even expand. Let's all do our part in making this noon program a success.

What Is "Love"?

From the day called Valentine's Day we usually get the idea of the word "love." To most people love means an awfully lot. But then there are others who indeed are all evil and don't believe in it at all. They think its just another one of those things that just come and go.

Well, we do have to realize one special point about love, and that is that some people have it and other just don't quite get the hang of it. Almost everyone knows Cupid, the little love god. He represents a child with wings at the age of 6 or 7 years, armed with a bow and a quiver full of sharp arrows and whoever is struck by one of these arrows promptly falls in love.

If you're one of those kids that just doesn't quite get the hang of this thing called "love" maybe this year will be your lucky year and you'll get struck by one of the little arrows. You just might have some luck! On the other hand, if you're one of those persons who wants someone else to get hit by the arrow write to:

"Dear Cupid, Lost Angels, Heaven and maybe that one special person you have your eyes on will just happen to get hit this time around.

P.S. Hurry, arrows are limited!!!! Order your quiver NOW!

Ebertsch Joins Jr. High Teaching Staff

Mr. Ebertsch is a new teacher at Vernon Junior High having joined us at the beginning of the second semester.

Mr. Ebertsch had these facts to present in a recent interview with him. "I like pleasant people, basketball, reading, broccoli, lemon meringue pie, lasagna, and chocolate cake. My dislikes consist of obnoxious people, cars that won't run, fruitcake, and mincemeat pie."

His favorite hobbies are catfishing in the summer and golfing, but he enjoys many hobbies.

His family consists of his wife, Julie, and two children, Laura 2, and Chris 1. He grew up in Oelwein, graduating from Sacred Heart High School. After graduating from high school he attended King Point Academy in Long Island for two years. He then went to Coe College parttime. He enlisted in the army and served at Fort Lewis, Washington, in 1966-67. He returned home and returned to Coe, graduating with a BA degree in mathematics last December.

Mr. Ebertsch's travels consist of going



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to 22 foreign countries, the East and West Coasts, and New Orleans (Gulf Coast).

Mr. Ebertsch is the new seventh grade mathematics teacher. He began his teaching duties the beginning of the second semester. Mr. Ebertsch is also the sponsor of the Electronics Club which was recently begun.

Band Earns Honors At Vinton Festival

Students from Marion's 6th, 7th, and 8th grades won 53 blue ribbons in 33 events, 26 red ribbons in 22 events, and 1 white ribbon at the Grade and Junior High Band Festival sponsored by the Northeast Iowa Bandmasters Association. The festival was held at Vinton on Saturday, Feb. 27.

Seventh and Eighth grade blue ribbon winners were: Cindy Vesey (2), Mike Benedict (2), Sheryl Wallace (2), Doug Jessison (2), Christy Boots (2), Brenda Hicks (2), Julie DeWoody (2), Sue Ryan (2), Chris Horner (2), Tim Carter (2), John Arjes, Scott Larson, Leslie Anderson, Mark Morgan, Brad Hutchins, John Edwards, Duane Goehring, Julie Schultz, Wendy Lembke, Cheryl Carstens, Claudia Schorle, Julie Tietjen, Cheri Joice, Julie Hansen, Tierney Oakley, Rhonda Hartman, Karen Williamson, Barb Hemmingsen, Lynette Tanner, Paul Garlinghouse, Wendy VanNatta, Doug Harford,

Jennie Balcom, Wendy Wolmutter, Steve Knapp, Ken York (2).

Red ribbon winners were: Bruce Hucker (2), Jane Risk (2), Pat Swearingen (2), Denise Hunt, Mark Morgan, John Arjes, Steve Knapp, Cheri Joice, Brad Hutchins, Leslie Anderson, Duane Goehring, Candis Warnke, Claudia Schorle, Jeanne Peters, Denise Ransier, Rhonda Hartman, Karen Folkers, Jim Hradek, Jennifer Barnes, Kathy Lewis, Linnie Vinson.

How's Your Do Q?

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Fine..... Congratulations!

But an Intelligence Quotient (I.Q.) is of little value unless your DO QUOTIENT matches it.

Done anything lately worth mentioning?

Valentine Dance Well Attended

On Friday, February 12, the annual Valentine's Dance was held. The dance was held from 3:45 until 5:15 and a large number of students attended.

The homerooms which prepared for the dance were 125, 302, and 110. Music, decorations, refreshments, and cleanup

were handled by committees from these homerooms. The gym was decorated with cupids, streamers, and hearts, in the traditional Valentine colors.

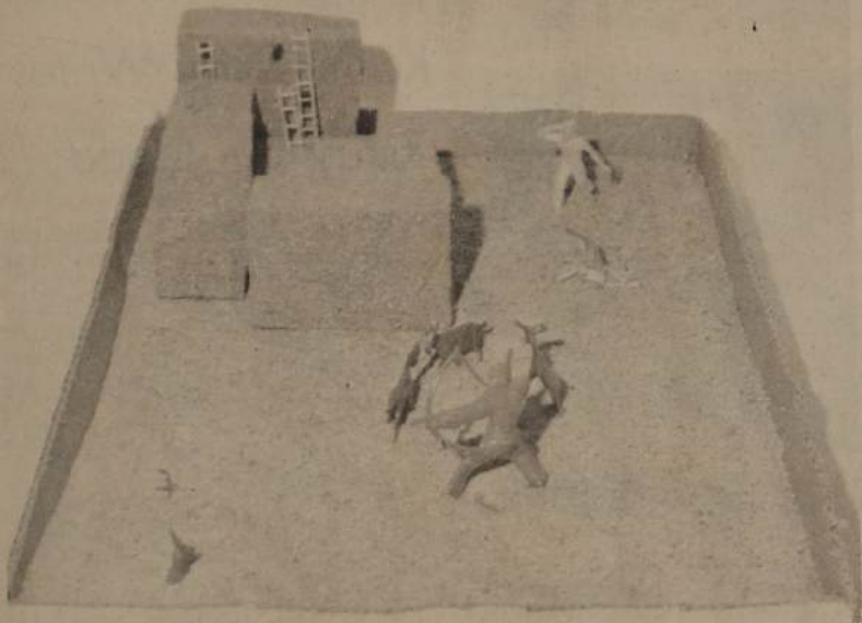
Refreshments consisting of punch and Valentine cookies were served about 5 p.m. All those attending thought it was a pretty good Valentine Dance.



It took a while but eventually at the Valentine Dance the dancing did begin. A few of the brave couples are shown above.



The annual Valentine Dance was held on Friday, February 12. From the looks of this picture you would think only girls attended the dance. But the picture is misleading. . .the boys were all on the other side of the room.



Shown are two models which were prepared by eighth grade students as a project for a social studies unit. The models were prepared by John Snyder and Chip Hildebrand. Chips model is the one with the human figures and depicts Pueblo construction; Johns model shows a bark house.

Notes From Band Room

A couple of notes from the band room. The band festival held at Mt. Vernon on February 27 was attended by many junior high students. More information of this festival and the students participating will be available for the next issue.

The band concert will be held on Thursday, March 25. The songs that will be played at the concert will be Boridine Theme, Concerto Americana, Highlights from West Side Story, Burst of Trumpets, Escort of Honor and Soliloquy.

PTA Fun Night Held Jan. 21

On Thursday, Jan. 21, C.B. Vernon Junior High had a fun night when the 7th and 8th grade boys and girls played their mothers and fathers in basketball.

The fathers versus sons portion of the evening was good except the boys didn't win any games. John Murdoch's father provided some laughs with his wig.

The scores of the evening for the fathers and sons were as follows: Seventh grade boys versus their fathers saw the fathers winning 23-18. The eighth grade boys versus their fathers again saw the fathers winning 29-18.

A large crowd attended the Fun Night and we look forward to it again next year.

That same evening at about 8:30 the 7th and 8th grade girls set out with great concern, effort, and enthusiasm planning to whip their mothers (in a game supposed to be basketball) and raise their season record to 1-0.

Although great shots, superb ball handling and tremendous teamwork were shown by the girls they fell in defeat to their mothers 14-6 in five quarters of action-packed play.

The mothers, on the other hand, were (from the student's viewpoint) clumsy with the ball, slightly out of shape, had poor form in shooting, and seemed to just get a little lucky (!) when tossing the ball through the hoop.

But though it goes, and the retired veterans of basketball (our mothers) won fair and square (or did they win because of Mrs. Moore and Mr. Brainard as referees?) Whatever the REAL results reveal, there was a very good turnout, everyone had a good time, and enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

DRAMATICS CLUB

The eighth grade division of the Dramatics Club met February 16. Fifteen members were present. Four plays were put up for discussion and from this group two plays were selected. Reading copies of these two plays have been sent for.

Casting of the plays will be next week. Mr. Miller will direct.



Joe Parker and Don Ransford are shown above with the trash can which they decorated in the art room and presented to Mr. Fowler for the school. The trash can is to be used on the playground. Roger Wickham also helped paint.

GRA Bowling Results Listed

GRA bowling has now been completed and the results of the last day are as follows: In 7th grade high game winners were Patti Tharp, first with 139, Karen Williamson second with 134, Pat Swearingen third with 122, Shelly Jacobs was 4th with 117. There was a tie for 5th place between Pattie Tharp and LeAnn Hinker, each with 116.

The 8th grade high game winners were Joan Bunting, first with 160, Sindie Bruring, second with 143, Jill Archibald, third with 128, and Diane Augustine fourth with 122. There was a three-way tie for 5th place among Nat Kleis, Diane Augustine, and Janice Schneiter, each scoring 121.

The high series winners were Joan Bunting 295 and Patti Tharp 255.

After the last bowling intramurals, scores were compiled and the high game in 8th grade was won by Denise Hunt with 212 points; in 7th grade the first place winner was Missy McGowan with 166 points.

The homeroom winners in 8th grade were 125, first, 129, second, 119, third, 115, fourth, 302, fifth, and 6th place 307. Seventh grade homeroom winners were 207, first, 206, second, 310, third, 309, fourth, 110, fifth, and 308, sixth.

Now that bowling is over the girls have started on basketball. Right now they are just practicing. A game was scheduled with Linn-Mar on February 22, but this was cancelled due to the weather. March 5 the girls play Springville on our home court, then on March 15, Linn-Mar will be played here.

Homeroom intramurals will start sometime in March, so support your homeroom.

WORK BEGINS

The various chorus groups are planning a spring concert and now have all the music for that. Work is beginning on the various concert numbers.

In vocal music classes the students made instruments and they are now on display in the music room.

What Can I Do?

I'm sure that girls in junior high and senior high have found it hard to show their abilities in sports. Since there have been no given sports, either competitive or non-competitive, for girls except G.R.A., they have little opportunity to gain the advantage of competitive sports.

I know girls willing enough to work toward this goal, not just for playing's sake, but to show their school's talent, that has been hidden behind an iron-curtain that the boys have built up. (No offense boys).

Basketball, for example, is a popular sport among girls. Girls find basketball fun and competitive from what little they have experienced.

We urge parents, girls, and boys alike to aid us in achieving this goal toward which we are working.



Eighth grade basketball action is pictured above.

SPORTS

MARION TAKES TWO FROM MANCHESTER

The seventh grade cagers racked up two victories over Manchester on Feb. 11. The "B" squad kept its unbeaten string going by running it to a 5-0 record. The "A" squad upended a powerful Manchester for its third win up against two losses.

In the "B" game the final score was Marion 42 and Manchester 25. Tony Jensen fired the Indians with 15 points while John Murdoch racked up 12 points. Other scorers included Mark Bush with 7, Brian Kiburz, 4, and Brad Ciha and Jeff Stolze each supplied 2 points.

In the "A" game the final score was Marion 24 and Manchester 19. Mitch Travis and Mark Crowley knocked in 6 each while John Wicke and Bill Dolley had 5 markers and Monte Pedersen added 2.

Congratulations on a couple of fine games.

Record Is 3-0

The seventh grade "B" squad extended its record to 3-0 by beating Anamosa here with a 31-28 score. John Wicke's 16 points led the Indians. In the "A" game Anamosa edged out Marion 37-36. John Murdoch's 13 points led the Indians while Tony Jensen added 10 points. The loss left the "A" squad with a 1-2 record. The Indians next travel to Monticello seeking a revenge from an earlier 47-43 loss.

EIGHTH BB SEASON RUNDOWN

The Vernon 8th grade cagers battled Manchester on their home court Feb. 11.

The "B" game's final score was Marion 43, Manchester 49. Leading the Indians scoring was Neal Sumner with 12, Gary Fickel 9, and Steve Mahoney and Tom Stalkfleet, both with 6. Adding to the cause was Mark Moeller and Randy Weeter with 4 each and Charles Vernon and Mike Ford with one each.

The "A" game ended with Marion the victor. The final score was Marion 54 and Manchester 41. Pouring in buckets for the Indians were John Barkdoll with 17 points, and Tim Burgess with 16. Mark Morgan provided 11 points, Monte Krehbiel, 6, and John Snyder, 4.

The 8th grade "A" squad lost its third game of the season, losing to Anamosa on January 28 by a score of 54-69. Leading the Indians in scoring was John Barkdoll with 18 points, and Mark Morgan with 14. Tim Burgess added 7 and John Snyder 5. Also aiding the cause was Neal Sumner with 4, and Monte Krehbiel, Mark Gerds, and Mike Ford with 2 each.

The Indians "B" squad played January 28 in the Indians' gym against Anamosa. The final score was 42-43 in favor of Anamosa. Leading scorer was Neal Sumner with 18 and Jerry Jacque following with 10. Adding points were Steve Mahoney with 5, Gary Fickel with 4, Mark Moel-

ler with 2, Charles Vernon, 2, and Dave Moore, 1.

The 8th grade Marion Indians basketball team opened their season January 14 against Monticello and were defeated 47-36. The boys who scored in this game were Tim Burgess, 12, John Barkdoll with 8, Mark Morgan with 7, Monte Krehbiel with 6, and Mark Gerds with 3.

The eighth grade Marion Indians defeated Monticello 74-24 on February 8. Coach Brainard commented that they played fine hustling defense.

The leading scorer was Monte Krehbiel with 22 points, followed by Tim Burgess with 17, Mark Morgan, with 14, John Barkdoll with 8, Neal Sumner with 6, John Snyder with 3, and Mark Gerds and Mike Ford with 2 each.

The eighth grade "B" squad was defeated by Monticello 32-13. High scorer was Neal Sumner with 8 points, Steve Mahoney and Mike Ford each with 2, and Tom Stalkfleet with 1.

Kathy Ryan Writes Essay On Blood

The following article is an extra credit report written by Kathy Ryan for her seventh grade science class.

"Hi, I'm a red blood cell. I live in your body. In your body you have five other important cells, the Muscle Cell, Bone Cell, Skin Cell, Nerve Cell, and one other kind of Blood Cell, that's white. Do you know that a drop of your blood contains millions of us Red Blood Cells. Well, enough about you.

I'm real small, red, and shaped like a disc. I specialize in carrying oxygen. Us Blood Cells stick together and get oxygen in the lungs. We then carry it to all other cells in your body. We're a bright red when we leave your lungs, but after we give the oxygen, we're dark red.

You may ask how it is possible to change colors? Well, inside each of us, we have this reddish stuff called hemoglobin, which in turn has iron inside it. Hemoglobin enables us to pick up oxygen. In your lungs, hemoglobin combines with oxygen; therefore, the oxygen-laden cells turn bright red. And we're just the opposite when we give the oxygen away. We turn dark red. Well, that's mainly what my life is all about.

LIBRARY CLUB HOLDS MEETING

The Library Club held a meeting on February 11. The meeting was held in the study hall. It was decided that another pin sale will be held. It was also decided that a pin slogan contest would decide the lettering on the new pin.

Coming Events

March 10 - Athletic Club meeting at 3:15 p.m.
March 11 - Library Club meeting 3:15 p.m.
March 23 - GRA meeting 7:45 a.m.
April 1 - Seventh grade skating party 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.
End of Third Quarter.