

The MESSENGER

VERNON JUNIOR HIGH



STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS pictured left to right, top row, Jeff Stolze, Mitch Travis, Mr. Steadman, Dave Nash, Reed Martin, Bruce Hucker; middle row, Dan Wickenkamp, Gaylen Cayler, Bob McDougall, Michelle Mead, Laurie Johnson, Jody Leamer, Pat Swearingen, Teresa Stubblefield; bottom row, Pat Jones, Larry Dippel, Jerry Scott, John Wicke, and Terry Bruring.

Have You Met---

Vernon's New Teachers

There have been no changes in the program, other than the four new teachers on the staff, Mr. Drake, Mr. Schley, Mrs. McGlaughlin, and Mrs. Swanson. Mr. Fowler concluded by saying that he is looking forward to a good year.

C.B. Vernon has a new music teacher. His name is Mr. Drake, and just last spring he graduated from college, the University of Northern Iowa at Cedar Falls, Iowa. So, this is his first year of teaching.

Mr. Drake chose to teach at Marion because he thought Marion had a better system. He likes teaching junior high students or older children because they have better developed voices, and because it's exciting. He would like to stay here at Vernon Junior High for years and years.



Randy Drake

Mrs. McGlaughlin is the new reading teacher for C.B. Vernon Junior High. She has taught in two other districts; in Mediapolis, Iowa, for two years and in Cedar Rapids for five and a half years. She has been a classroom teacher as well as specializing in reading.

Mrs. McGlaughlin enjoys teaching our age group because it's interesting and exciting. This job has another advantage for her in that she only is at school in the mornings and has the afternoon to spend with her two small children. She said there is a big need for reading teachers, and it is her favorite subject to teach.

Mrs. McGlaughlin likes golf as a participant and basketball as a spectator. She was born in Burlington, Iowa.



Mrs. McGlaughlin

When interviewed, Mr. Fowler, principal of Vernon Junior High, said that the year has gotten off to a good start. He was quoted as saying that the kids in the school are real good.

Mr. Schley had these things to say in an interview with him, "I've been at Marion since 1957. Before I came here, I taught math, physical education, and coached high school sports from 1939 until 1957."

"My wife teaches kindergarten at Hoover School in Cedar Rapids. I have three sons, two in Iowa and one in Texas. I also have four grandchildren, who give me my greatest enjoyment," he continued.

Mr. Schley graduated from Lisbon High School, received his Bachelor of Science degree from U.N.I. and received his Master's degree from Drake University. Mr. Schley's main hobby is traveling, and this summer he took a leisurely 7500 mile trip in the western United States. He loves the mountains.



Harry Schley

GRA Officers Elected Tuesday

GRA officers were elected Tuesday, September 21 as follows: president--Chris Horner; vice-president--Patti Tharp; secretary--Wendy Wolmutt; treasurer--Yvonne Pitzer; reporter--Debbie Armstrong; head recorder--Natalee Jackson; 8th head cheerleader--Tierney Oakley; 7th head cheerleaders--Laurie Klein and Keri Petersen.

Homeroom captains for seventh grade are Monica Brodrecht, Glenda Bolyard, Karla Blake, Diane Jellison, Kim Parman, Patti Weber, Jeane Hutchins, Cindy Luebbert, Leah Ann Marg and Lori Schlottback.

Eighth grade homeroom captains are Diane Thomas, Patti Tharp, Pat Offerman, Leslie Andersen, Julie Schultz, Rhonda Hartman, Shelly Jacobs and Natalee Jackson. Recorders are Barbara Hemmingson, Pat Offerman, Rhonda Salven, and Diane Thomas for eighth grade and Diane Dollinger, Theresa Stubble-

Dramatics Club Elects

At the first meeting of Dramatics Club September 21, four people were nominated for each office and the next day voting was done by ballot. Those elected were: president--John Wicke, vice-president--Pat Swearingen, secretary--Laurie Klein, treasurer--Leslie Anderson, and newspaper representative--Patti Tharp.

The constitution of Dramatics Club was reviewed and copies were made available to members. The seventh and eighth grade play presentations were explained.

Casting for the seventh grade play will be in October, and it will be presented in January. Casting for the eighth grade play will be in mid-February, and the play will be presented in April.

Forty Dramatics Club members attended the meeting.

Science Club On Field Trip

The Seventh Grade Science Club went on one field trip this year to Indian Creek. The purpose of this field trip was to catch insects and crawfish. Future field trips will be held where Lincoln School once stood.

There will not be officers for the club this year. The two major goals for the year are to work on projects and to do extra lab work.

Mr. Barrow, club sponsor, said, "The kids can come to the meetings whenever they want." The next two meetings are going to be held on October 11 and November 8. Both boys and girls like the club; it isn't just for boys as some people think. Five people have joined so far, but Mr. Barrow emphasized that the club is open to anyone.

Seventh graders, if you want to have some fun, why don't you join the Seventh Grade Science Club.



Mrs. Swanson assists Rick Davis in study hall

Mrs. Swanson is the new study hall teacher at Vernon Junior High.

Mrs. Swanson had these facts to present in a recent interview with her. "I like traveling, reading, and music. My dislikes are disrespectful people."

She enjoys being active in her church, participating in both Girl and Boy Scout troops, and other child-related activities. Her family consists of her husband Doug and four children--Randy, 14; Jeff, 12; Terri, 11; and Greg, 8. She taught second, third, and fourth grades in the elementary schools before coming to the junior high.

Mrs. Swanson said she enjoys her job being the study hall teacher for all of the students in C.B. Vernon, and she is looking forward to a very good year.

Welcome to Vernon Junior High, Mrs. Swanson.

Student Senate

The first student council meeting was held Tuesday, September 14, 1971. Mr. Fowler and Mr. Steadman are the faculty advisors, and presided over the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the council representatives and explain the activities and duties of the council.

Officers for this year were elected as follows: Bruce Hucker--president; Jeff Stolze--vice-president; and Pat Swearingen--secretary-treasurer.

The council projects for the year were discussed briefly, and the ice cream sales personnel were assigned the day and lunch period they are to sell.

Members of the 1971-72 Student Council are: holdovers from last year--Laurie Johnson and Bruce Hucker; eighth grade homeroom representatives--115-Mitch Travis; 119-Jeff Stolze; 125-Pat Swearingen; 129-Reed Martin; 210-Michelle Mead; 302-Linnie Vincon; 307-John Wicke; and 311-David Nash; seventh grade homeroom representatives: 110-Gaylen Cayler; 120-Terry Bruring; 206-Larry Dippel; 207-Bob McDougall; 208-Dan Wickenkamp; 306-Pat Jones; 308-Jody Leamer; 309-Jerry Scott; and 310-Teresa Stubblefield.

Student Council is an organization for you, and your school's well-being. Take advantage of it. Any problems, ideas or suggestions of the students will be discussed at the meetings. All you have to do is let your homeroom representative know about them.

COMING EVENTS

Oct. 18--Girls basketball practice begins

Oct. 19--Eighth grade football, Linn-Mar, there, 4 p.m.

Oct. 22--NO SCHOOL ISEA CONVENTION

Oct. 25--Wrestling practice begins.

Nov. 4--End of First quarter

Nov. 5--NO SCHOOL - STAFF INSERVICE DAY

Nov. 5--Junior high wrestling-Monticello, there, 4 p.m.

PATTI THARP LIBRARY PRES.

Patti Tharp was elected president of Library Club, and Jeri Brekke is serving as vice-president. Ondrea Fowler is secretary and Diane Dollinger is treasurer. About 50 seventh and eighth graders are members.

Regular meetings are on the second Thursday of each month; up-coming meetings will be held October 14 and November 11. Club members also look forward to a party in November and have discussed having a dance.

Mrs. Schott Is Moving

September 25 we visited with Mrs. Schott in the confines of the office. Perhaps many of you haven't heard, but Mrs. Schott is moving to Montana. They are traveling by car with household items in a van. After their arrival in Montana, Mrs. Schott is going to "just take it easy" for awhile. Then she is "going to take her life in her hands" as she makes an attempt at skiing.

Friends and C.B. Vernon are what she thinks she will miss most, especially after being in the system for 3-1/2 years.

Her advice to the secretary taking her place is, "Have lots of patience, lots and lots of it."

Insect Collection Is Tradition

Once again seventh graders begin the school year with an insect collection. In a way, it is a tradition that seventh graders do this.

A total of 25 insects are to be collected by each student. They received instruction on how to pin each insect. At least two moth-balls are to be included. The collection is to be turned in by 3:10 p.m. October 20.

7th Hold Skating Party

The seventh grade skating party that was held on Friday, September 24, at the Marion Roller Drome was a success. Besides the approximately 150 seventh graders, a lot of the seventh grade teachers also showed up to skate or just watch. We'll all be looking forward to the next skating party to be held sometime in the spring.



8th GRADE FOOTBALL SQUAD--bottom row, left to right, Rich LeHew, Jeff Stolze, Mark Bush, Reed Martin, John Nemeth, John Murdoch, Joe Schupantz, Jay Long, Randy Sheppard, Doug Schuster, Linnie Vinson, and Mitch Travis; second row, Perry Anderson, Curt McMullen, Jim Boyd, Jim Harford, Bart Wagner, Brian Bennett, Steve Crowley, Rick Floyd, Dale Gillespie, Tom Parman, Pat Peterson, Tony Jensen, Mark Crowley; third row, Don Cook, Dave Kincheloe, Brian Larson, Don Ransford, Gary Tatro, Brian Kiburz, Jim Loes, Dave Nash, Mike Jones, John Arjes, Bill Dolley, Alex Johnson and Russ Rae; fourth row, Coach Bruce Taylor, Bruce Hucker, Kevin Lurth, Scott Hansen, Randy Roby, Jeff DeYoung, Brian Pals, Dan Cornwell, Ken Sacora, Ank Kleis, George Moody, Ken Thompson and Coach Mel Meggers.

8th Grade Football On Top!

Marion's eighth grade football squad beat Anamosa on their own field Tuesday, October 5, by a score of 12-6.

Tony Jensen made the Indians' first touchdown with 46 seconds left to play in the first half. He caught a pass from quarterback John Murdoch and sped 22 yards into the end zone. The extra point was not tallied.

Though slow-moving in the first half, Marion really fired up in the second half and kept the Raiders around their own 20-yard line.

Mike Jones intercepted an Anamosa pass that put us deep in the Raiders' territory. Brian Bennett blocked two Anamosa punts and Mitch Travis picked up a fumble which he returned to the one-yard line late in the fourth quarter. This set up the Indians' second touchdown. John Murdoch scored it on a quarterback sneak from 5 yards out.

Coach Meggers said that the defensive line and backfield performed well. At this point, the eighth grade record was 3 wins and 0 losses.

Long runs by Jeff Stolze and John Murdoch highlighted the action on September 28 when the eighth grade A squad defeated Monticello, 22-6.

Stolze had touchdown rambles of 47 and 2 yards and added a two-point conversion. Murdoch contributed a 55-yard romp, and he also made a conversion.

Coach Meggers named Rich LeHew as an outstanding defensive player, but overall he was not satisfied with his team's second-half performance. He added, "We'll have to play better second-half football against Anamosa if we're going to win there."

"A better-than-average team with desire and spirit" is what Coach Meggers called his 8th grade gridiron team (2-0 so far). John Murdoch and Mark Bush quarterback the team with Jeff Stolze, Reed Martin, and John Nemeth at the other back positions. Coach Meggers called his backfield a speedy one.

The defense has given up only 6 points. The coach said they do a better-than-average job. The strength of the team seems to be at the offensive blocking.

The 8th grade A squad successfully opened the season September 21 with a 20-0 defeat over the Manhawks of Manchester. They opened the scoring with John Murdoch scoring from three yards out. Jeff Stolze added the two-point conversion.

Later, Marion scored in the third quarter when Mark Bush passed to Tony Jensen with inches to spare. Jeff Stolze danced 48 yards into the end zone for the final touchdown in the fourth quarter.

On defense Rich LeHew and Joe Schupantz were cited for an outstanding defensive job. The whole defensive squad

did an excellent job holding the visitors to one first down.

Football is a rough sport but not rough enough for Springville as Springville edged a 14-6 victory over Marion eighth grade B squad September 23.

Marion's only score was made by Mike Jones as he went into the end zone on a haul-off to him from the five-yard line. This play was set up by a pass from Brian Bennett to Rick Floyd. Brian threw the ball from the 50-yard line and it was caught by Rick on the 10-yard line. He was finally brought down on the 5-yard mark.

EIGHTH GRADE SCIENCE STUDENTS "STAR GAZERS"

Eighth grade science students spent several evenings "star-gazing" as part of the astronomy unit. Space exploration and weather are also part of this course.

Cheerleading Is For Any Vernon Girl

Cheerleading in Vernon Junior High School is for any girl who wants to participate.

Near the start of the school year, Mrs. Moore calls a meeting of all girls who want to be in cheerleading. Each writes his name down and the names of five other girls she wants to cheer with. Then about a week later the cheerleading schedule was announced.

The cheerleaders do not have uniforms but wear the school colors and try to match with their group. They do get to use pom poms at football games, but not at inside sports because they would rip off and get on the floor and interfere with the game. Cheerleaders also use a drum; it is red and has a gold Indian and Marion on it.

We think we have a very good way of letting anyone who wants to cheer, cheer.

The teams which have led cheers already this fall include the following: Jeri Brekke, Annette Cox, Kathy Herren, Natalie Jackson, Tierney Oakley, and Diane Thomas; Barbara Hemmingsen, Laurie Johnson, Dana Long, Pat Swearingen, Patti Sharp, and Wendy Wolmutt; Jeane Hutchins, Laurie Klein, Laurie Long, Kim Parman, and Debbie Rezab; Diane Dollinger, Julie Draeger, Elaine Johnson, Sue Sillman, and Sue Wienrich; Leigh Larson, Cheryl Lewis, Kathy Olsen, Tracy Netz, and Julie Schneider.



7th GRADE "A" SQUAD--Front row, left to right, Joe McElligott, manager, Dan Ford, Jerry Goehring, Larry Dippel, Dennis Smith, Mike Morgan, Brian Donohoe, Bob Stiles, Larry Klein, Tim Ford, and Pat Jones; second row, Steve Barske, Tim Roth, Kevin McKenna, Gaylen Cayler, Rick Offerman, Jeff Donald, Bob Lane, Dave Witte, Kevin Techau, Troy Hames, and Steve Trumpold; third row, Dave Tillotson, Ken Weltha, Mike Wheeler, Tim Polk, Ty Payton, Tom Borst, Kevin Lamphier, Terry Jackson.

7th Graders Tough To Beat!

The seventh grade game with Monticello on September 28 started with Dave Tillotson kicking a good end-over-end kick to Monticello. The first time Marion had the ball, on the second down Tom Borst ran in for a touchdown. Tim Ford ran in for the extra points.

The second time Marion had the ball, on the first down, Kevin Lamphier made a touchdown. Jeff Donald ran in for the extra points. At the end of the first quarter the score was Marion 16, Monticello 0.

Early in the second quarter, Monticello took advantage of a Marion fumble and ran in their first and only touchdown of the game. However, they didn't make the extra points.

In the third quarter Kevin Lamphier ran in his second touchdown. The score then stood Marion 24, Monticello 6.

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In the fourth quarter Tim Ford ran in Marion's last touchdown. Kevin Lamphier ran in the extra points. At the end of the game, the score was Marion 32, Monticello 6.

The 7th grade A squad got off to a good start this season with a 14-0 win over the Manchester Manhawks at Manchester, September 21. Mr. Brainard credits the win to mostly a rushing game with the team completing 2 out of 3 passes for only 15 yards.

Kevin Lamphier led the Indians with 96 yards out of the 174 total yards. Tom Borst plunged from four and nine yards out for the touchdowns with Bob Stiles adding the extra points.

Tom Borst led the defensive squad with five tackles; second came Kevin Lamphier with four.

Bob McDougall ran for over 70 yards and scored the only touchdown as Marion seventh grade "B" squad defeated Springville 8-0 on September 23. He ran 35 yards on a reverse to set up his 2-yard run.

Russ Blumer was the defensive star as he blocked a punt and also creamed the quarterback twice.

Brian Hoffa scored an extra point.

We Asked... They Answered

We asked, "What do you like best about Vernon Junior High?"

They answered:
Theresa Godar--Everything!
John Nemeth--Nothing!
Susan Gollaher--People.
Patti Weber--Mr. Drake and Mr. Miller
Pam Painter--Mr. Barrow and Mr. Drake
Diane Jellison--Science and music
Kathy Allen--Not having to stay in the same room
Debbie Pool--Girls' Glee, Chorus, and intramurals
Barb Harms--Everything.
Leah Ann Marg--Girls' chorus
Cindy Luebbert--The difference from elementary school.
Tami Newlin--Mr. Drake.
Kay Luedtke--The Teachers.
Bill Carr--The food
Bruce Hoag--Not having to stay in the same room.
Steve Hatcher--The freedom we have.
Don Walton--The sports
Carol Moore--Mr. Barrow and Mr. Drake
Edith Maxey--Mr. Ebertsch.
Todd Pedersen--Tracy.
We asked, "How do you like your EPOT-SOTA?"

They answered:
Julie Balcolm--My what?
Shelly Jacobs--I don't!
Linda Sperry--Got me hangin'.
Jean Fredericksen--Cool, neat, calm, and dry! (Whatever it is!)
Mrs. Borg--About ten pounds too much.
Debbie Breunig--I don't.
EPOTSOTA unscrambled spells potatoes.

Results of Wamac Girls Sports Day

Results of the WAMAC Girls Softball Sports Day held at Marion on Saturday, October 2, were: First place--Vinton; second--Marion; third--Anamosa; fourth--Tipton; fifth--West Delaware; sixth--Independence; and seventh--Monticello. This was one of the six activities days of the WAMAC girls junior high program.

Marion players included Barb Hemmingsen, Natalie Jackson, Shelly Jacobs, Laurie Johnson, Melissa McGowan, Terry McKern, Pat Offerman, Laurie Rich, Diane Thomas, Sheryl Wallace, Wendy Wolmutt, Diane Dollinger, Paula Payton, Lori Schlotterback, Susan Sillman, Lynn Thomas, Carrie Welch, and Twila Berg.



Editorials...

The eighteen-year-old vote has been a long-needed thing for young people. The vote has been so misinterpreted that many people have failed to recognize its power. Sure, a majority use this power but many fail. Some of the people in Congress saw this and they knew that from meeting most of these young people that they could do a responsible, if not better, job with the vote.

The youth of today have long been misunderstood in their stand. The older generation has most often thought that they wanted revolution. These are some of the views I've often overheard. I think that youth want a change, not revolution, and with the power to vote they might succeed.

Hi there! My name's Rhonda, the Rat, and I live under those football bleachers every Friday night. Boy, you guys sure have it great! Buttered popcorn, candy bars, apples, and hot chocolate. I don't have it too bad either, I guess.

I used to think you humans were smart, but how come you drop all that paper instead of eating it? My, it's good! And that confetti sure makes a good bed. My only complaint is those blasted pop cans. Some idiot dropped one last week and gave me a big lump between my ears!

If all that neat stuff will be there next week, I may just bring my family along, so we can sit in the bleachers with you guys! How 'bout it?

ROLLER SKATING PARTY IS HELD

Mr. Cahalan's homeroom was in charge of the 8th grade fall roller skating party at the Marion Roller Rink, Friday, October 1. The party lasted from 3:30 to 5:15. In spite of the small turnout of 62 people, everyone had a great time.

The next roller skating party will be held in the spring.

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