

The Messenger

Vernon Junior High School
October, 1973

Birthdays of the MONTH

Happy birthday to the following students who will have birthdays in the coming month!

October 25--Brad Albaugh, David Nolte
October 26--Debbie Jencks, Kelly Matthews

October 27--Matt Moeller
October 28--Lisa Bumbarger
October 29--Terri Hebert
October 31--How about that! No witches!
November 1--Bruce Winch
November 2--Mike Bushman
November 4--Sherri Arnold, John Slay
November 6--Sara Laschansky
November 7--Scott Dirks
November 8--Rick Palmer
November 9--Traci Grussendorf
November 10--Steve Schone, Leisa Cree
November 11--Renee Barth
November 13--Janeen Machen, Mark Erickson, Mark Vasey
November 14--Debbie Colton, Emie Robbins, Todd Price
November 16--Gary Hines
November 19--Pat Pollock

November 20--Debbie Shultz,
November 21--Diane Mahoney, Josie Burkart

We also send our best wishes for many more happy years to these students who have already had their birthdays this fall: Lynda Allen, Cheryl Bogard, Teri Daugherty, Judy Hall, Dennis Lathrup, Brad Eichorn, Kari Williams, Tony Mundorf, Julie Steckel, Mark Tore, Diana McPherson, Sarah Bennett, Doug Spinler, Cary Smith, Emmy Sostak, Dawn Moser, Andy Jones, Greg Albaugh, Randy Harms, Patty Kolesik, Lori Long, Terri Lovell, JoLeah Bems, Joni Balcom, Anne Ames, Jill Carpenter, Kevin Raue, Noel Smith, Debbie McCleary, Brenda Long, Rick Van Dolah, Kevin Herren, Bob Knapp, John Freese, Jill Domer, Doug Stancel, DeWayne Schminkey, Cheryl Anthony, Travis Arnold, Teresa Cracraft, Kathy Klaypatch, Melissa Rogers, Phillip Smith, Jeannette Zeigher, Bart Dolley, Tom Vernon, Kim Kemp, Patty Painter, Connie Janzan, Jill Cram, Zack Miller, Steve Turner, Lori Lambert, Glenn Lovell, Laird Jones, Scott Henderson, Lee Larson, Jackie Martin, Tim Stephan, Cami Kemp, Jim Peterson, Jeff Hoover, Mary Beth Ewing, Melissa Bahm, Jackie LeClere, Jeff Brokaw, Melinda Bahm, Jeff Barnhart, Leslie Crowley and Diane Winch.

Director Turns Chorus On

I predict for 1973: Miss Riemenschneider the talented director of our 8th grade chorus, has tuned us in and turned us on to being the "Best Chorus in Linn County."

The 8th grade honor chorus officials are Joy Carstens, president; Vivian Klopfenstein, vice-president, and Paula Pitzen, secretary.

In 7th and 8th grades we have 130 girls in Girls Glee Club, 70 singing troops in 8th grade Honor Chorus, and too, 65 Troop singers in 7th grade chorus!

Vernon's Music Man--Schultz

The Music Man for C.B. Vernon Junior High, is George Schultz. He has things for his Jr. High Band that you wouldn't believe!

This year's Pep Band will make their debut on October 16, when the 7th grade plays Linn-Mar.

There will be three concerts this year, the Christmas Concert on December 10, the Winter Concert on March 12, and the Spring Concert on May 9.

Sometime in February there will be a contest for 6-9 Grades. He will also choose 8th Graders for an Honor Band.

Mr. Schultz always keeps us on our toes. This spring he'll have us out on the playground MARCHING!

Hopefully, we will be starting a Music Club before Christmas. You can belong to the club only if you are in chorus. We will be Christmas caroling and visiting nursing and children's homes in the next year.

Our Christmas concert will be held on December 10 at 7:30. It will be a combo with the band. We hope to give you a little bit of yesterday's Christmas mixed in with a song of joy today!

We also will be having small groups singing for open house and will be working hard on our spring concert. That's all for now from the vocal music department at C.B. Vernon.

Sing-Cerely Yours.



As you probably know Miss Riemenschneider is our Vocal Music teacher. Before she came to the one-and-only C.B. Vernon Junior High School she taught at Rockwell City Junior and Senior High School for 7 years. She went to school at the University of Northern Iowa. She said that the faculty is very helpful and friendly. She also thinks there's a lot of potential for music groups in the students.

Dance Set Oct. 26

Even though at the sound of the word "dance" you may feel ill, this year the Halloween dance will really be extra-stupendous. It will be held on Oct. 26 right after school until 5:15.

The dance will be presented by the Student Council. The Council unanimously voted that this dance be informal. There will be a 25¢ admission charge. Ice cream will be sold throughout the dance for 10¢.

So come, and bring your Alka-Seltzer. Try it, you'll like it.

Camera Club Sells Shots

The Camera Club has already sold a lot of pictures. The club members themselves take the pictures and help develop them. They take the pictures of softball and football players and all the other sports, and then some of other clubs! These pictures are usually sold for 50 cents. Therefore, as you see, you will be getting a great deal for every picture you get! The Camera Club is really enjoying themselves.

Since Camera Club members take the pictures for the Messenger, we give them many thanks for their fine work.

On Thursday, September 27, the seventh and eighth grade students at C.B. Vernon Jr. High and teachers were honored by appearance of the Sun Players. The Sun Players are a married couple. They have been married 40 years. They are from Indigola, Iowa.

After the show was over I went up on stage and asked the Sun Players why they enjoy doing their acts for people. They answered, "We like to make people laugh. It's good medicine for them." I'm sure all our students and teachers enjoyed the show of the Sun Players.

We Asked

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

They answered:
Cathy Sheaffer--Everything!
Connie Janzan--Nothing.
Barbara Zimmerman--The people
Sarah Thorpe--Math and Mrs. Simpson
Karen Park--The boys
Joanne Hotz--The boys
Diane Kesselring--Home Ec
Veronica Bruce--I don't like anything about any school.

We asked, "Do you think Spiro Agnew made a wise decision when he resigned as Vice-President of the United States?"

They answered:
Steve Schone--Yes, because he would have been caught anyway. Besides, it is better for his future.

Emmy Sostak--I think he should have stayed in office and taken the penalty like any other citizen.

Cary Smith--No, because it would be better for our country.

Lou Ann Spain--Yes, because he was going to get caught anyway.

Dave Decker--Yes, because he shouldn't have taken the United States' money.

Frank White--Yes.

Kim Ryan--I'm glad he did because he would have been thrown out anyway.

Mark Klopfenstein--No, because he ran for vice-president and won and should have stayed in.

Jordan McAreavy--Yes, because it started to affect the family.

Kelly Mathews--Yes, because he made a fool of himself by avoiding his taxes.

If anyother person would have done it, he would spend time in jail, and not have a suspended sentence.

Cheryl Barker--Yes, because he didn't pay his taxes in 1967.

We asked, "What is the weirdest costume you have ever worn for Halloween?"

They answered:
Kristi Craft--Alice in Wonderland
Scott Henderson--A Hindu monk
Laurie Landis--A rabbit
Mike Ryan--A rhino
Brenda Hauck--Cinderella
Matt Moeller--Dude man
Willette Harrigan--A negro
Glenn Lovell--Cookie man
Wendy Sievers--A two-headed monster
with Joy Carstens
Dave Decker--A car
Lori Freilinger--Raggedy Ann
Shawn Bolden--A Martian
Mark Klopfenstein--A pumpkin



Student council members are front row, from left, John Redford, Bob Johnston, Ron Parker, Toney Weber and Ron French; Second row, Tami DeWoody, Jan Kincheloe, Barb Hames, Brad Albaugh; Third row, Kevin Jacoby, Kathy Welsh, Laurie Van Gorp, Robbie Adams, John Schindler; back row, Jeff Detling, Mike Ryan, Scott Oglesby, Greg Albaugh, Larry Atwater, and Principal John C. Fowler.

Student Council Elects Officers

The Jr. High Student council met for the first time on Sept. 14. The purpose of this meeting was to elect officers. Scott Oglesby received a majority in the presidential election and Greg Albaugh won the election for vice-president. There was not enough to elect a secretary-

treasurer so a special meeting was held the following Monday, and Tami DeWoody was elected secretary-treasurer by the council.

The council had its first regular meeting on October 1. The council decided to sponsor a Halloween dance to be held Friday, October 26.

Waldo's a Smash with Bugs

It was a routine day at the junior high, and Charlie Checkblaster and his buddy, Waldo Wiskbroom, were on their way to science class.

"What do ya think the teacher will make us do today, Charlie?"

"How the heck would I know, you dummy!" exploded Charlie.

"Sorry Charlie, what ya so uptight about?"

"Oh, I don't know, just don't bug me."

As usual they bummed into class just one second before the tardy bell rang and sat down.

"Today's assignment, class," started Mrs. Hingesqueak, "is to make a bug collection of 25 insects. It will be due in three weeks."

"Ugh!" said Charlie. "Hey, Waldo, go see if you and me can work together."

"Okay, Charlie."

Charlie and Waldo were granted permission to work together, so after school they went to work.

"Hey, Waldo, I know where there's a field we can catch millions of bugs."

So, each day for two weeks they went and caught bugs until they finally had 25.

"Okay, Waldo, we've finally got all of our bugs. Now go to your house and kill 'em using a killing jar. I'll be over in about ten minutes to see how you're doing."

Charlie went home long enough to make a box to mount the insects in, then went

back to check on Waldo. When he reached Waldo's house he saw him out in the driveway banging on the concrete with a glass jar.

"What are you doing?" asked Charlie in a puzzled tone.

"I'm using the killing jar."

"You mean that you're banging away at the insects, you mean you're smashing 'em," stuttered Charlie. "You mean. . . Ugh, I feel sick."

"Well, you told me to do it," said Waldo.

"But you're supposed to. . . Oh, forget it," sighed Charlie. "This insect collecting is for the birds."

"I know!" said Waldo. "Let's go uptown and buy a box of rubber bugs for it. The teacher will never know."

The day the collection was due, they handed it in fully confident that they would come out ahead. At the end of the day this message crackled over the intercom: "Will Charles Checkblaster and Waldo Wiskbroom please report to Mrs. Hingesqueak."

When they got to the room, Mrs. Hingesqueak had their collection on her desk.

"What do you want ma'am?" asked Charlie.

"Charles and Waldo, would you explain why your collection consists of 25 flies that all squeak when you squeeze them?"

"Well, you see," began Charlie, "Waldo and me were collecting bugs when sud-

denly. . ."



Weather girls Patti Kolosik and Joan McCalmant put up daily weather maps in the science classrooms.

The 8th grade Science Club is off to a great start! Mr. Vaske and his students that are in the science club plan to do many things. One thing that they plan to do is go on a field trip and many other pleasurable things. There are quite a few people in this group but if you hurry now you might be able to get in. This is a very interesting club so hurry now and join!



7TH "A" FOOTBALL TEAM, coached by Mr. Brainard.



8TH FOOTBALL TEAM, coached by Mr. Taylor & Mr. Meggers



7TH "B" FOOTBALL TEAM, coached by Mr. Cahalan.

Indians Find Grid Success in '73

The 8th grade Indians opened their season Sept. 18 against Manchester here. The first quarter ended in a scoreless tie. It went to 12-6 at the half, and the final score was Manchester 21-Marion 19. Steve Ransier thrilled the crowd with a 40-yard touchdown run.

The seventh graders started the season with a smashing victory when they toppled Manchester 42-0. The half-time score of 28-0 held until near the end of the fourth, when Brad Albaugh intercepted a Manchester pass and ran 80 yards for the final touchdown. He and Brad McAreavy, who made two touchdowns, were outstanding players. Albaugh said he could not have made the 80-yard run without the great blocking support he had.

Marion's 8th grade B squad lost to Springville's 8th graders on Sept. 20. Marion kicked off to Springville to start the game. Craig Thomas, defensive half-back, played very well. Final score was Marion 0, Springville 27.

Marion 7th grade B squad beat Springville 8 to 0. The only score came in the second quarter when Tom Turner made a six-yard touchdown. The coach commented that Springville was bigger and stronger but our young men were faster and had desire to win.

The Marion eighth grade A squad trav-

eled to the Panthers' home field on Sept. 25. The first TD of the game was made by Monticello on a blocked punt play which was run in for the TD. The extra point attempt was good. Monticello then kicked off to Marion. Again Marion had trouble moving the ball and was forced to punt again. Then the gun sounded for the end of the first half with the score Marion 0--Monticello 8. Marion kicked off, and Monticello returned the ball to the 50. Then Monticello fumbled the ball and Marion recovered. Atwater completed a pass to Greg Albaugh for Marion's first TD. The extra point attempt was run in by Steve Ransier. In the fourth quarter Monticello completed a pass for the last TD of the game. The final score was Marion 8--Monticello 14.

The Vernon Jr. High Seventh grade A squad again wiped out its competition, the victims this time being the Monticello Panthers, Sept. 25. On the second down Steve Schone, quarterback, took the snap and ran around the right end to score a 70-yard touchdown. Again there was a fumble, this time regained by Marion. The final score was Marion 24-Monticello 6. We had 5 first downs; they had two. Coach Brainard said he felt the outstanding players were Steve Schone, Jordan McAreavy, Cary Smith, RJ Warner, and Brad McAreavy.

In the 8th grade Marion-Anamosa game on Oct. 2, the final score was for Anamosa 20-0. Greg Stolze and Steve Ransier made the game exciting when they intercepted three passes.

The 7th graders had another great victory over Anamosa, 22-0. Three outstanding players were Jordan McAreavy, Cary Smith, and Steve Schone. Jordan McAreavy ran 80 yards for a touchdown, but Marion got a penalty for clipping and it didn't count. Mr. Brainard commented that even with all of Marion's penalties it still was a good game.

On Oct. 3, here, Marion's 8th grade B squad played a great game against Vin-ton, beating them 20-12. The points were made by a 50-yard run by John Peterzalek, a 10-yard run by Dennis James, and a 4-yard run by Rick Hall. The extra points were made by Rick Hall. Coach Taylor

said, "We did a good job on defense, and this was the first time we were able to move the ball on offense."

Marion 7 B squad played at Manchester on Oct. 4 with Manchester winning 6-0. Exciting moments came when we held them on their 7-yard line for four downs and when Wickham intercepted a pass and ran 22 yards. Coach Cahalan commented that it was a very good team effort from all our units.

On Oct. 9 the Marion 8th grade A squad got its first victory, defeating Prairie 36-12. Our first TD came when we blocked a Prairie punt and Jeff Barnhart fell on the ball in the end zone. Steve Ransier, Greg Albaugh, and Randy Harms each added points for Marion. All the boys on the team got a chance to play and all played a good game.

The 7th A squad beat Prairie for their fourth straight victory. The final score was 38-14. Cary Smith, with high yardage of the night, scored two touchdowns and an extra point. Steve Schone had three TD's and two extra points. Brian Wiest and Jordan McAreavy made an extra point each. RJ Warner caught a 30-yard pass and ran 55 yards before being tackled at the 3-yard line. Outstanding tackler of the game was Steve Sands.

On Oct. 8 the 8th grade B squad won their second game against Prairie, 8-0. Dennis James scored Marion's touchdown from 10 yards out and also added the conversion. John Peterzalek completed two passes. The backs did a good job running considering the rain and the muddy field.

The 7th grade B squad went down in defeat to Prairie by a score of 22-0. They made five first downs while Marion had only two. The rain storm made playing difficult.

The 8th grade A squad lost to Linn-Mar on Oct. 16. Linn-Mar opened with two fast touchdowns for a score of 16-0. But Steve Ransier scored after breaking away from three or four tacklers. Then in the third quarter Larry Atwater hit Brian Bush for a touchdown. Late in the fourth quarter Linn-Mar scored to make the final score 22-12. On the same night the B squad played a scoreless tie with Linn-Mar.

The 7th grade A squad defeated Linn-Mar

on Oct. 6, 26-0. Touchdowns were made by Brad McAreavy, Steve Schone, Mark Klopfenstein, and Rion Herren, but Coach Brainard said everyone played well.

The 7th B squad also defeated Linn-Mar by a score of 17. Coach Cahalan said, "It's hard to pick outstanding players because we had so many boys that did a good job. I like the game. We played 45 boys, and I think everybody did a good job. We ended our season with two wins and two losses. Considering that we played two A teams, I think we had a very good season."

Think Halloween

Halloween is just around the corner, and a lot of kids and adults are getting ready, not necessarily for the same thing.

There are good and bad sides to Halloween.

On the good side, you can get candy and/or trick-or-treat for UNICEF and feel good about it. Many kids do both of those things.

Parents must be ready for both of these things with a bowl of candy and a bowl of change.

On the fun side for some teen-agers is TPing and soaping windows. Many kids go out littering trees, houses, cars, and street signs with toilet paper, soap, rotten eggs and tomatoes. Most adults do not see the "fun side" of this since after Halloween parents don't want to go outside the next morning in fear of what they may see.

Then there are those who think of Halloween as a time to shoot candy bars full of drugs or medicine. To this I suggest that kids should take paper and pencil and keep track of who gives you what.

All in all Halloween is a semi-exciting semi-dangerous, and very fun time of the year.

To The Editor:

There seems to be some question to the statement that says: Sports make up a good part of our education. You bet it does! Sports helps us to have better body coordination. Sports helps us keep fit and to have good sportsmanship. Sports helps us to release our emotions, and it helps us to stay active.

Why, if it wasn't for sports, there wouldn't be nearly as much competition and competition makes the world go around.

Yes, sports surely are needed in everyone's education. It's everyone's job to see that it is.

By Mike Woodson

We are printing this month a "letter to the editor" written for social studies. We will continue to do this from time to time, but we also invite any of our readers to put his ideas about a current issue into writing and bring it to Room 110 for consideration for printing in the Messenger.

MESSANGER STAFF

8th GRADE

Pat Wilson
Robbie Adams
Mike Freilinger
Mona Faur
Cary Cullen
Sheila Clark
Doug Murray
Becky Boysen
Vivian Klopfenstein
Kraig Luzum
Julie Enneking
Debbie Shultz
Greg Pollock
Richard Courtney
Geri Tritle
Leslie Crowley
Lorene Long
Dave Norris

7th GRADE

Steve Godar
Ralph Gorton
Jane Maxey
Zack Miller
Carrie Lighty
Jill Cram
Wanda Crowder
Randy Johnson
Kim Kemp
Cami Kemp
Janice Kincheloe
Lynne Roby
Jane Huber
Larry Lake
Tracey Pollock
Jenny Palmer

Letters Awarded

Vernon Junior high football awards were earned by the following students.

SEVENTH GRADE:

Letters and certificates--Brad Albaugh, Jeff Alderson, Steven Armstrong, Travis Arnold, Bruce Bennett, Eric Bisinger, Shawn Bretthauer, Steven Carter, Mark Chalmers, Dick Chamberlain, Rick Cooper, Dave Decker, Greg Hebert, Alan Heeren, Rion Heeren, Tim Henderson, Kevin Herren, Danny James, Jerry Kirk, Mark Klopfenstein, Noel Koepfen, Bruce Kyllingstad, Darrell LeClere, Brad McAreavy, Jordan McAreavy.

Craig Michaelson, Randy Mork, Anthony Mundorf, Larry Offerman, Steven O'Neill, Jim Ottaway, Ron Overton, David Plond, Todd Price, Scott Rouse, Steven Sands, Steven Schone, Cary Smith, Steve Turner, Tom Turner, Tom Vernon, R.J. Warner, Frank White, Brian Wiest, Managers, Tom Wicke, Mike Zalaznik.

Certificates only: Mark Alderson, Jeff Brokaw, Mike Bushman, Ken Dede, Mark Duncan, Dan Fluckiger, Joe Greene, Scott Huebener, Robert Knapp, Bret Knockle, Don Loes, Steve Luzum, Mark McGovern, Don Milburn, Ronnie Parker, Paul Petersen, Jim Peterson, Mike Pollock, Jeff Robbins, Brad Roehr, Craig Rothmeyer, David Schneider, John Scott, Russ Swearingen, Mark Vasey, Bob Weber, Ken Wickham, Joe Williams.

EIGHTH GRADE:

Letters and certificates--Robbie Adams, Greg Albaugh, Larry Atwater, Jeff Barnhart, Brian Bush, Mike Freilinger, Larry Grekoff, Floyd Knapp, Lee Larson, Glen Lovell, Matt Moeller, Doug Murray, Greg Nolte, Scott Oglesby, John Peterzalek, Steve Ransier, Chuck Robbins, Mike Ryan, Greg Stolze, Randy Tietjen.

Managers, Pat Godar, Phil Smith
Certificates only--Den Cerney, Don Cerney, Mark Erickson, Jim Frazier, Bob Fye, Gary Gislason, Dick Hall, Alan Hallock, Randy Harms, Scot Henderson, Bruce Huebener, Mike Hunter, Kevin Jacoby, Dennis James, Craig Luzum, Rick Palmer, Mike Pals, Greg Pollock, Kevin Raue, Ernie Robbins, Kevin Skinner, Doug Stancel, Craig Thomas, Bruce Winch, Dave Wolmutt, Steve Yeater.

Girls Lose to Springville, Take Third

After being postponed because of rain, Marion finally got to play girl's A and B softball teams against Springville, Oct. 8.

At the Legion Park the B teams started off, with Marion losing at the end with the score Springville 16, Marion 12. Then Marion A squad tried their luck, but they too were defeated with a score of Springville 10, Marion 6.

Marion girls participated in the WaMac Softball game. The teams that were playing were Monticello, Maquoketa, West Delaware, Springville, Marion A, Marion B, Indians A, Indians B. First place went to West Delaware, 2nd place Springville, 3rd went to Marion A, which was coached by Mrs. Moser and Mr. Shultz.



GIRLS' SOFTBALL TEAMS