

Miss Podolsky Competed In Many Sports



ROBIN PODOLSKY

(Courtesy of Mrs. Thornton)
Miss Podolsky was a student teacher during the first quarter. She is from the University of Iowa and has been teaching under Mrs. Thornton in the area of physical education. She also helped coach the Junior High gymnastics team.

Miss Podolsky is originally from Highland Park, Illinois, where she participated in many sports in high school--gymnastics, volleyball, swimming, and track. She had run her own summer gymnastics day camp in Highland Park for three years. She was on the Kent State University gymnastics team and then the University of Iowa gymnastics team, where she was captain last year.

At present, Miss Podolsky is student teaching at Madison Elementary in Cedar Rapids and helping coach the Washington High School gymnastics team. She will finish college this spring. Her further ambitions are to teach p.e., coach gymnastics, and take additional studies to someday become an athletic trainer.

Judy Luse Is President Of Library Club

(courtesy of Mrs. Raasch)

The Library Club has met three times this year. At its first meeting on September 8, officers were elected. The president is Judy Luse; Krista Wilson is vice-president. Serving as secretary and attendance-taker is Julie Schultz.

The second meeting was held on October 13. Attendance was taken, and a discussion was held on what to do for a fund-raising project this year. This discussion was continued at the November 10th meeting. A vote was taken, and the majority voted to sponsor a dance. Mrs. Raasch has arranged for March 16th to be the date.

So far there are 36 seventh graders and 49 eighth graders active in Library Club this year.



Clarese Boswell (IPBN Specialist) Talks to Mrs. Raasch About the Use of Educational TV.

The Messenger

Pumpkin-Carving Contest Was A Big Success!

Bill Black

Recently, for Halloween, Room 133 had a pumpkin contest. The object of this contest was to carve and/or decorate pumpkins imaginatively in order to win prizes. The entrants were Lisa Hradek, Darren Vigen, Bill Black, Delilah Olson, Theresa Kalous, Mike Burbach, and Bob Jacoby. The first prize winner, Lisa Hradek, won a gem-coated chocolate boat cake. The second and third-prize winners, Darren Vigen and Bill Black, each won a chocolate boat.

Lisa Hradek, the first-prize winner, carved her creation, adding a wig for hair and a hat on top. It might have been called a "vacationer". The

eyes, with candles in them, were covered by glasses. In its mouth's grin was a cigar.

Second-prize winner Darren Vigen created a sailor pumpkin. The eyes were buttons and the eyebrows felt. These were stuck on to create the face.

Bill Black carved his entry. It was made to look like a pirate. One eye was carved and the other a patch. It had a fluffy cotton-ball beard.

The contest was headed by Mr. Williams, Mr. Miller's student teacher. Mr. Williams and Mr. Miller obtained the prizes. Each entrant who was not a winner received a consolation prize.



Entrants in Pumpkin Decorating Contest.

Did you know that. . .

Chris Beam and Tracy Ensley

Did You Know That:
Lori Ampey has 40 trophies in karate? She is a green belt. She got third place at the Grand Nationals in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She was fifth in the nation last year, and sixth this year.

Amy Donald got a first in summer playground; she received a decathlon trophy?

Carmella Darrah and Cathy Hardin won trophies on the 12th of November for solos in a guitar contest sponsored by Bodicker School of Music?

Bob Colton got a first place in the 440-meter relay and a third place in the 400-meter dash in the Wamac last school year? He also received a decathlon trophy in summer playground.

Chris Beam won 16 ribbons at the 4-H fair this summer? Eleven are blue, and the other five are red.

Mike Stickney won a first in the 4-team 200-meter relay, a second in the 800-meter relay, and a fourth in the high jump at the height of 4'8" at the Wamac last school year?

Tracy Ensley has thirteen trophies from

horse shows, and over one hundred ribbons in all?

Renee Kane got a first in flute solo and a first in flute trio last year?

15 Members In Collectors And Hobby Club

(courtesy of Mr. Steadman)

The Collectors and Hobby Club met in October to see a tape and slide presentation titled "The Romance of Stamp Collecting." The program was supplied by the Philatelic Foundation of New York City. Mr. Steadman and fifteen club members attended.

The November meeting will be a combination meeting dealing with stamps and coins.

All students are invited to attend any of the club's forthcoming meetings.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS. . .

Tammy Johnston

SEVENTH

- 1--Lisa Canavan, Tina Gesswein
- 4--Eric Johnson
- 5--Scott Wilson
- 7--Jimmy Berns
- 8--Randy Holm, Tammy Barron
- 11--Molly Barker
- 12--Renee Kane
- 17--Jordanna Zimmerman
- 18--Renee Knapp
- 19--Rich Watson, Teresa Landuyt
- 25--Michele Mehlberger
- 31--Mike Benkusky

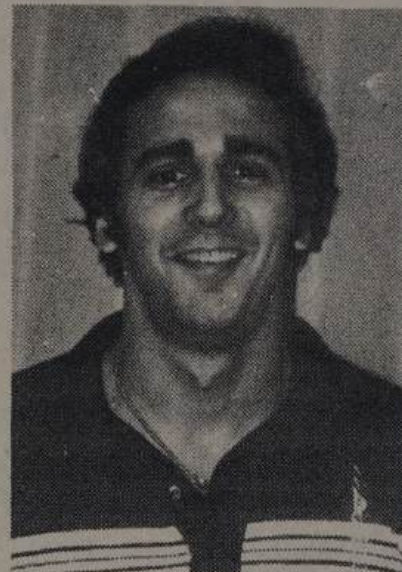
EIGHTH

- 3--Allen Stow
- 14--Kris Turner
- 20--Lori Hucker, Donna Weltha
- 23--Dave Cook
- 25--Lisa Hauser
- 28--Chris Potter, Terri Reddick

TEACHERS

- 10--Mr. Dolinaj
- 27--Mr. Eygabroad
- 28--Mr. Parks

Mr. Williams Is Life-Long Marion Resident



MR. WILLIAMS

Mr. Williams is a life-long resident of Marion. He went to elementary school at Lincoln Elementary. He went to junior high right here at C.B. Vernon! He graduated from Marion High in 1973.

Mr. Williams is student teaching here with Mr. Miller, where he will be until December 16. Mr. Williams also coached defensive backs on this year's 1977 varsity football team.

When asked what he liked and disliked, he answered that he loved athletics, music, and James Bond novels, and disliked brussel sprouts, rude people, and having to wait in long lines.

Mr. Williams' hobbies are sports and music. He plays guitar and sings professionally in the Cedar Rapids/Marion area, but he quickly states that he'd never consider making music his career because he'd rather teach and coach than sing.

Editorial. . .

Chris Hardin (Associate Editor)

We have already had one quarter of school, and it really looks like the seventh graders and all new eighth graders have found their way around; they all look like they're enjoying it.

Congratulations! Let's hope the rest of the year goes that way, too!

Dramatics Club Participated In JC 'Haunted Farm'

Kathy Pollock

The Marion Jaycees put together a "Haunted Farm" at the Tom Costello farm north of Marion for Halloween. Bob Bast and Art Jones came to the Junior High and asked the people in Dramatics Club if they wanted to participate. There

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were about fifteen people who took part in this activity. Marion High and Linn-Mar took part on Saturday and Sunday nights. Our night was Friday, and we made between \$50 and \$100. (Miss Ebersole plans to try to get Bob Bast to do a makeup demonstration for Dramatics.)

The following are people who participated:

Witches: Janelle Roby, Susan Wacker, Wendy Vigness
Ghoul: Kathy Pollock
Goblins: Yvette Cree, Yvonne Cree, Rhonda Butterfield

Ghosts: Cindy Evarts, Sue Blick
Hookman: Mike Lembke, Jerry Parker
Haunted Harvester: Marc Pollock, Bill Reed, Dave Luzum
Grim Reaper: Louis Kucera
Mole People: Pam Miller and Jeff Anderson

People were taken through the "Haunted Farm" on a hayrack. Along the way the different characters performed in dim light. Miss Ebersole was on the first hayrack and thought it was "very spooky." Congratulations to you Junior High people who helped in this community activity.



7th Girls' Basketball with Coaches Eygabroad & Campbell



Mr. Brainard, Mr. Zrudsky & 8th Grade Girls' BB

7th & 8th Girls' Basketball Results

Chris Wilkinson

8th "A" against Manchester; Kos 14, Weber 8, Mork 8--lost 37-32 in overtime

8th "B" against Manchester; Bennett 4, Blick 2--lost 23-6

8th "A" against Independence; Weber 19, Busse 17, Mork 14, Grishaber 1, Ellis 1, Kos 2--won 54-30

8th "B" against Independence; Ellis 2, Miller 2, Bennet 2, Potter 2, Grishaber 6, Offerman 2--lost 23-16

8th "A" against Anamosa; Busse 6, Mork 22, Weber 6--won 34-17

8th "B" against Anamosa; Blick 2, Madren 2, Bennett 2, Offerman 5, Grishaber 2--lost 22-14.

7th "A" with Manchester; Frasher 19, Knapp 2, McAreavy 2, Grussendorf 4, Ampey 4, Donald 2--won 33-27

7th "B" with Manchester; Von Ahsen 1, Antons 2, Miller 2, Schultz 4--lost 19-10

7th "A" with Independence; McAreavy 10, Frasher 2, Grussendorf 2, Knapp 4--lost 25-20

7th "B" with Independence; Arjes 6, Kane 2, Donald 2, Ottaway 2, Schultz 2, Antons--lost 19-17

7th "A" with Anamosa; McAreavy 6, Donald 10, Barker 2, Grussendorf 9, Pitzen 2--won 29-27

7th "B" with Anamosa; Antons 4, Von Ahsen 2, Kane 2, Ampey 2--lost 17-10.



7TH GRADE WRESTLING SQUAD

Wrestling

(Courtesy of Mr. Cahalan)

The scores of the first two wrestling meets were (1) Monticello 80-Marion 61, and (2) Marion 90-Anamosa 72. In the December issue of the newspaper will be individual statistics of these and future meets.

Important Coming Events

Wrestling--Dec. 1 Prairie; Dec. 8 LM; Dec. 12 Central; Dec. 15 Manch.; Dec. 19 Ind.

Girls' BB--Nov. 29 LM; Dec. 6 Monti;

Dec. 13 LM; Dec. 20 Vinton (8th)

Dec. 12--Band and Vocal Christmas Concert, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 16--Assembly, 2:20 p.m.

Dec. 21--Christmas dance, 3:45-5:15.



8TH GRADE GRAPPLERS

We Asked...They Answered!

By John Godar

I asked several of our staff here at Vernon what the most unusual thing to happen to them in the past year was. Later Mr. Miller asked others. Here are their answers:

Mr. Morgan--The changing of the noon cycles when we go out to play softball

Mr. Eygabroad--Getting Ron Dennis in my math class

Mr. Schley--Moving into a new home for the first time in 18 years

Mr. Campbell--The unusual weather this summer

Mrs. Raasch--Getting my M. A. this year, or my trip to Acapulco

Mr. Steadman--My motorcycle accident

Mr. Tesar--Matt Hefel spilled coffee on me two days in a row

Mrs. Chadek--I was called to teach a class of mushroom and edible plant hunting

Mr. Miller--when I was driving to Cedar Rapids, a hit-and-run driver struck and damaged my car

Mrs. Staehle--Having John McDougall and Greg Barnhart in my 6th hour class (Giggles and Chuckles)

Ms. Silver--The commercials the kids gave were very good

Mrs. Tanner--I got a full-time job

Mr. Vaske--I sent a daughter to college

Mrs. Dunn--I went on a six-week trip

Mrs. Grimm--Taking up golfing

Mrs. Jacobs--Being a golf medalist

Mrs. Read--Went tubing on the Apple River

Miss Podolsky--Student teaching

Mrs. Carlson--Summer house painting

Mr. Fowler--A 120-yard 9-iron shot for an eagle on a par 5 hole at Anamosa

Mrs. Borg--The greatest thing that happened was that I got my first grandchild

Mr. Cahalan--Sold my house and had no place to move to

Mrs. Thornton--Started teaching here Miss Ebersole--Buying my new car, or receiving a basketball hoop and backboard for my birthday.

Mr. Shultz--Our fishing trip to Minnesota

Mr. Taylor--The change back to teaching 7th grade

Mr. Parks--The arrival of our second child

Mrs. Wood--The chance to move onto the acreage we've been wanting

Mrs. Clauson--Our trip to Wisconsin

Mr. Meggers--Our 14-8 win over Prairie in 8th grade football

Mr. Brainard--Seeing Todd Twachtman score 5 touchdowns in one game.

Mr. Gaede--My appendicitis attack

Mr. Gillen--All the repair work seems to wait and pile up at lunchtime

Mr. Dolinaj--Watching our students do well in the spelling bee at Tipton last year

Mrs. Fatka--Flying to Florida last Christmas with my daughter

Mr. Williams--Swimming out of the Media Center when all of the girls cried after Old Yeller was shot

Mr. Simmons--My trip to Mexico City and Acapulco

By Carolyn Winistorfer

I asked several people, "Who's your hero?"

Cindy Henry: Burt Reynolds

Karen Regal: Mr. Williams

Greg Hapgood: Gristle Goat

Mike Skilling: Hulk

Doreen French: Chicken Man

Mr. Morgan: General D.D. Eisenhower

Chris Wilson: Mr. Tesar

Hope Warren: Mr. Dolinaj

Cindy Everts: Under Dog

Kelly Grishaber: Captain Cave Man

Allen Rouse: Mr. Meggers

Lonnie Jones: Mr. Vaske

Rene Kane: Captain Cave Man

Michele Mehlberger: King Kong

Lori Pitzen: Burt Reynolds

Glenda Madren: Robert Redford

Mike Lembke: Linda Carter

Mr. Williams: Captain America and

Bluto's dietitian

Curt Hall: Hulk

By Kathy Pollock

I asked the staff what their favorite hobby or interest (outside of school) was. I thought you might like to know what they do in their spare (?) time.

Mrs. Wood: horses, sewing, oil painting, and working crosswords

Mrs. Fatka: needlework and swimming

Mrs. Raasch: reading fiction books and working crosswords

Mrs. Clauson: reading, playing the organ, bicycling, and sewing

Miss Ebersole: sewing, needlework, shopping, and spending money

Mrs. Carlson: sewing, shopping, keeping plants, drawing, and decorating

Mr. Williams: football, basketball, and softball

Mr. Miller: stamp and coin collecting, swimming, health spa, reading, movies, and drawing

Mr. Campbell: fishing, sports, and music

Mr. Eygabroad: sports

Mrs. Staehle: sewing, needlepoint, and shopping

Mrs. Borg: golf and bridge

Mr. Morgan: woodworking and camping

Miss Podolsky: snow skiing

Mrs. Thornton: volleyball in the winter, and tennis in the summer

Mrs. Dunn: reading, playing softball, and working crosswords

Mr. Fowler: playing golf

Mrs. Tanner: playing the organ

Mrs. Read: tennis

Mr. Tesar: golfing

Mr. Vaske: woodworking and hunting

Mr. Parks: polishing rocks

Shelly Finley and Lisa Reed

We asked, "What would you do with a basket of suetoe?"

Deanne Schlemmer: Throw it away

Mr. Taylor: Sell them for a profit

Ms. Silver: Give them to my sick horse, and maybe he'd get better

Harold Odean: Burn them

Lee Washburn: Wash with them

Frank Reynolds: Shave off Mr. Dolinaj's moustache with them

Miss Podolsky: Demonstrate to the 8th grade girls how to use them

Dave Cook: Stick it in Mr. Cahalan's ear

Mr. Dolinaj: Flush it down the toilet

Tracy Engel: Feed them to my sister

Mrs. Carlson: Put it on a worksheet and give it to my 6th hour class

Karen Netz: Bury it

Terry Henry: Put it in the garbage disposal

Kevin Atkinson: Feed 'em to my brother

Mr. Williams: I'd give 'em to Bruce Marolf, Rich Arnold, and John Imgrund, and maybe it would calm them down a little

("Suetoe" is toupee mixed up.)