

The Messenger

Christmas Dance A Success

By Tracy Cullen and Lisa Ampey
About 200 students attended the Christmas Dance Dec. 21. Twelve teachers also attended.

Students from all homerooms furnished the records. Ms. Silver was in charge of the music, and Mark Miller introduced the songs.

Mrs. Tanner was in charge of organizing the dance. The homerooms and teachers involved in preparations were: 206, Mrs. Tanner; 310, Mr. Taylor; 306, Mr. Parks; 208, Mrs. Chadek, and Mrs. Thomson.

The decorations included Santa and his reindeer, snowflakes, and a village with an electric train.

The ladies involved in serving refreshments were Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Beam, and Mrs. Stuelke.

The Christmas Dance

Mrs. Chadek's Room's Christmas Scene for the Dance



Mystery People At Vernon Jr. High

By Lisa Reed and Shelly Finley
We interviewed three people of Vernon Junior High. We have listed their likes, their dislikes, and some of their interests. Can you guess who they are?

Our first mystery person hates to see people fighting. This person's favorite color is red or blue. He/she likes listening to hard rock tunes, and favors the TV show "Three's Company." This person likes the Vikings football team, and likes Fran Tarkenton. This person does not own a pet, but would like to own a collie. This person loves steak and lobster.

Our second mystery person dislikes math, social studies, and science. But on the other hand, he/she enjoys language. Favorite color is blue, and likes are Burt Reynolds and Tony Curtis. He/she enjoys riding horses and the television show "Three's Company." This person owns a dog. His/her favorite foods are hamburgers and French fries. This person is very tall and has blonde hair.

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Junior Detling

Our final mystery person's favorite color is green. He/she likes math, and likes Roger Staubach. He/she collects coins. His/her favorite TV show is "Three's Company" (pretty popular, huh?). He/she has a dog (poodle). This person loves pizza (who doesn't?). This person also enjoys sports such as football and basketball.

Do you think you know who they are? To see if you're right, check the next edition.

Student Council Notes

By Wendy Stuelke

October 12, 1977: The meeting was brought to order by president Dave Luzum. Junior Detling was absent.

New business was brought up about the dances. A dance was scheduled for Nov. 20.

Volleyball and ping-pong will be included in noon intramurals.

Dave Luzum closed the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

November 15, 1977: The meeting was brought to order by Dave Luzum at 12:14 p.m. Gary Henry and Darrall Wiley were not present.

New business was brought up concerning the purchase of three more water coolers and new basketball hoops.

Wendy Stuelke, Cindy Evarts, and Junior Detling were placed on the committee for refreshments at games.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m. by Dave Luzum.

November 22, 1977: The refreshment committee gave a report that 36 candy bars could be purchased for \$5.60 and 20 packs of gum for \$2.50. It was decided to have four kinds of candy bars and gum.

Junior Detling and Laura Kos were asked to represent the Student Council at Vernon Building Council meetings.

President Dave Luzum adjourned the meeting at 12:37 p.m.

Indian Spirit Singers Went To Crestview

By Robin Ridenour

On Dec. 23, at 10:25, the "Indian Spirit Singers" went to the Crestview Nursing Home at South 15th and Grand Avenue here in Marion.

The Indian Spirit Singers are: Debbie Anderson, Kim Anderson, Sue Blick, Susan Carter, Cindy Cory, Debbie Eastridge, Shelly Finley, Cindy Henry, Glenda Madren, Cindy Pals, Becky Potter, Lisa Reed, Karen Regal, Robin Ridenour, Kris Turner, Hope Warren, Cathy Webber, Donna Wel-

tha, Chris Wilson, Debbie Young, Carolyn Winistorfer, and Jody Werner. The singers were all dressed in yellow tops and red pants.

They sang the following songs: "Song of the Littlest Angel," "Give It Away," "Marshmallow World," "Ain't He Sweet," "Feelings," "Jolly Old St. Nicolas," "Up on the Housetop," and "Holly Jolly Christmas."

The quartet group, consisting of Jane Trimble, Sue Soden, Coleen DeWees, and Marie Frye, sang "Oh, Holy Night," "Calypso for Christmas," "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," and "Yellow Bird."

The people at Crestview seemed to enjoy the singing and Christmas spirit.

The bus arrived back at Vernon at 11:15.

February Birthdays

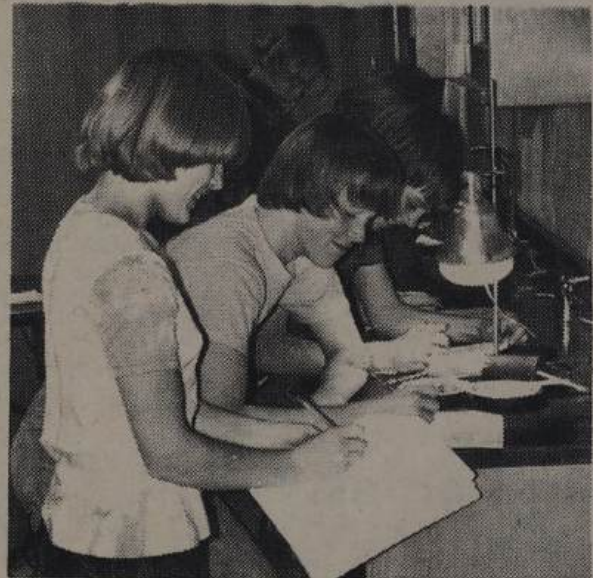
By Deanne Schlemmer and Delilah Olson

Feb. 1: Tony Whitlatch

Feb. 4: Karen Keith and Susan Wacker

Feb. 8: Toni Grussendorf

Feb. 9: Judy Luse and Rick Jurgens



Future Scientists (?) in the Science Lab

Dramatics Club Meeting

By Judy Luse

A Dramatics Club meeting was held on Dec. 15. Fifty-six members of the club are recorded. The sponsors this year are Miss Eversole and Mrs. Carlson.

Officers were chosen and the final results are as follows: President-Doreen French; Vice-president-Michelle Klopfenstein; Secretary-Judy Luse; News Correspondent and Treasurer-Dave Luzum.

Some topics that were discussed were as follows:

1) In January the 7th grade will be choosing a play to present.

2) Some members helped in the Jaycees' "Haunted Farm" and raised \$81.01 for the club.

3) The possibility of going to a Cedar Rapids Jefferson or Washington high-school production was discussed.

4) Also discussed was the possibility of a party at the end of the school year.

(The seventh grade members of the Dramatics Club have chosen a one-act comedy, "The Capricious Pearls", to be performed on Feb. 23 at the high school. The cast will consist of four boys and nine girls, to be selected in one week.)



A Pair of Country Boys at a Recent Assembly



8th Chorus Performs at the Christmas Program



Chris Returns Over the Net

Boys' Basketball Results

January 12:

Marion 50--Monti 23 (A)
M. Stickney 12, M. Skilling 6, D. Bliss 2, S. Butz 6, L. Jones 4, G. Barnhart 6, E. Huhndorf 6, D. Chapman 6, and J. Koeppen 7.
Marion 22--Monti 10 (B)

M. Lembke 2, J. Christensen 2, J. Moser 4, T. Stake 5, R. Gruwell 1, D. Luzum 6, and J. Anderson 2.

Spelling Contest

By Chris Wilkinson

On Dec. 21, at 8 a.m., the Jr. High preliminary spelling contest was held. Eighth graders met in Room 152 with Mr. Dolinaj and Mrs. Staehle. Seventh graders met in Room 151 with Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Tanner, and Mr. Miller. These students were given a 50-word test.

The following 7th graders became semi-finalists by scoring high on the 50-word test: Dawn Neve, Eric Johnson, Jim Berns, John Imgrund, Lisa Clark, Mike McCalley, Andrea McAreavy, Pam Jellison, Mike Decious, and Kris Sweeney. These 8th graders went to the finals held on Jan. 9: Jonathan Tanner, Frank Reynolds, Dave Cook, Greg Hapgood, Chris Potter, Kathy Wilke, Jenny Martin, Coleen DeWees, Lori Hucker, Deanne Kyllingstad, Amy Binner, Melissa Brannaman, and Randy Smith.

In the January finals, two finalists were determined at each level. These finalists will participate in the Wamac spelldown at Vinton. Seventh finalists were Jim Berns and John Imgrund, with Dawn Neve as alternate. Eighth finalists were Coleen DeWees and Amy Binner. Dave Cook became alternate.

Good luck to these people in the Wamac and later spelldowns.

We Asked...They Answered!

By Rich Arnold

You all know of the "Super Bowl." You also know that Dallas won it, 27-10. I asked during the week before the game what team people favored.
Mr. Tesar: Denver
Miss Ebersole: Denver
Mr. Taylor: Denver

Dec. 13--8th Grade
Marion 41--Linn-Mar 13 (A)
L. Busse 19; B. Mork 10; S. Bennett 10; W. Stuelke 2.
Marion 12--Linn-Mar 9 (B)
C. Webber 8; R. McKenna 4
Linn-Mar 18--Marion 14 (C)
C. Wilson 6; L. Ampey 2; S. Blick 2; G. Madren 4
7th Grade:
Marion 28--Linn-Mar 20 (A)
A. McAreavy 8; A. Donald 10;
M. Klopfenstein 6; T. Grussendorf 4.
Linn-Mar 21--Marion 11 (B)
L. Pitzen 5; R. Kane 4; D. Antons 2
Marion 14--Linn-Mar 10 (C)
T. Landuyt 4; M. Miller 2; J. Schultz 4; D. Neve 4.

Dec. 19--8th Grade:
Monticello 26--Marion 25 (A)
L. Busse 6; B. Mork 15; W. Stuelke 4
Marion 19--Monti 15 (B)
D. Young 2; C. Webber 11;
K. Grishaber 6.
7th Grade:
Monti 42--Marion 21 (A)

Marion 21--Monti 19 (C)
B. Strempke 8, A. Rouse 6, B. Anderson 2, J. Anderson 3, and S. Ottaway 2.

January 13:
Marion 52--Monti 8 (A)
T. Twachtman 12, S. Panek 16,
D. Peyton 2, D. Klein 8, K. Mahurin 2,
J. Seeman 8, M. Benkusky 4, and M. Cracraft 2.

Marion 26--Monti 2 (B)
B. Marolf 4, B. Julian 2, T. Bolyard 2, S. Painter 4, J. Nolz 2,
M. Hughes 4, K. Freilinger 4, and G. Parker 4.

Marion 25--Monti 6 (C)
B. Rogers 6, G. Chalmers 4, J. Detling 2, S. Foege 1, P. Taylor 2,
M. Decious 4, J. Rutan 4, and S. Bizek 2.

Yearbook Sales

By Kathy Pollock

As you probably know, Mrs. Staehle and the yearbook staff are selling yearbook subscriptions for the year '77-'78. Briefly, the book will consist of pictures of activities and sports, teachers, students, and candid. There will be forty pages; the book will be delivered in late May. As of Jan. 6, \$108.00 had been collected.

There are two seventh graders on the staff: Dawn Daves and Pam Miller. The fourteen eighth grade staff members are: Melissa Brannaman, Cindy Cory, Doreen French, Heidi Helgens, Deanne Kyllingstad, Judy Luse, Jenny Martin, Rene McKenna, Kerri Meyer, Janice Miller, Karen Regal, Cathy Sondag, Wendy Stuelke, and Jane Trimble.

7th & 8th Girls' Basketball Results

C. Frasher 3; M. Klopfenstein 2;
T. Grussendorf 8; L. Pitzen 4;
A. Donald 4
Marion 14--Monti 9 (B)
P. Arjes 2; J. Ottaway 2; R. Kane 4;
T. Landuyt 2; L. Pitzen 4.

Marion 15--Monti 11 (C)
D. Antons 4; W. Von Ahsen 4;
J. Schultz 3; K. Turner 2; J. Zimmerman 2.

Wrestling Roundup

Marion 81--Iowa City Central 39
King Pin--Jason Nolz :56
Other pins: Louis Kucera :59;
Dave Peyton 1:29; Jerry Parker 1:59;
Jeff Seeman 2:15; Jeff Christensen 2:31; Randy Smith 2:40; and Todd Twachtman 2:45.
Other wins: Kurt Freilinger 13-0;
Curt Hall 7-0; Dean Chapman 16-4;
Chris Jacoby 6-0; Mike Gross 13-0;
Bret Ramsdell 8-1; Gary Henry 11-6;
Jim Sueppel 8-0; and Andy Cox 3-2.

Manchester 78--Marion 55
King Pin--Larry Geistfeld :35
Other pins: Jamie Maage :55;
and Jerry Parker 1:45.
Other wins: Craig Kemp 4-1;
Andy McAreavy 2-0; Jeff Christensen 2-0; Jeff Andersen 8-2; Harold Odeen 1-0; Louis Kucera 4-0; Andy Cox 5-0; Jeff Seeman 8-0; Todd Twachtman 7-0; Curt Hall 4-0; Tim Bolyard 6-0; and Randy Smith 7-0.

Linn-Mar 102--Marion 63
King Pin--Allen Rouse :20



The Girls Mix It Up

Other pins: Todd Twachtman :59; and Randy Smith 1:38.

Other wins: Jamie Maage 5-0; Bob Jacoby 7-2; Jeff Christensen 3-0; Chris Jacoby 9-0; Kurt Freilinger 4-2; Kirk Mahurin 5-4; Jeff Seeman 3-2; Jeff Rutan 3-0; Dean Chapman 9-5; Tim Bolyard 7-2; Curt Hall 4-0; and Butch Longerbeam 7-0.

Ties: Roger Gruwell 0-0; Bret Ramsdell 0-0; Bob Julian 2-2; and Steve Panek 2-2.

Final Point Standing for 1977 (top 18): Jeff Seeman (31) 7-1; Todd Twachtman (30) 6-0; Tim Bolyard (27) 6-0; Curt Hall (23) 7-1; Chris Jacoby (22) 5-1; Kirk Mahurin (21) 4-0; Kurt Freilinger (18) 5-0; Jeff Christensen (15) 5-1-1; Randy Smith (15) 5-2-1; Allen Rouse (13) 3-1; Jamie Maage (12) 4-1; Roland Appleby (12) 2-0; Dean Chapman (10) 5-2; Gary Henry (9) 3-1; Karl Raue (9) 4-2; Bret Ramsdell (7) 3-1-1; Jeff Rutan (6) 2-1; and Bob Julian (6) 3-2-1.



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