

THE VOX

MARION HIGH SCHOOL MAY 1, 1969



Reading Prom Acceptances - Prom coming Saturday

Marion's girl state chosen

Nancy Jacobsen, a junior from our high school, has been selected as Marion's representative to Hawkeye Girls State. Nancy, sponsored by the Marion American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 298, will travel to the UNI campus where she will spend the week of June 8. As a Girls Starter, --a resident of the imaginary state of Hawkeye, --Nancy will have the opportunity to run for state office in the effort to learn more about state government. Six girls, three from MHS and three from Linn-Mar, competed for this honor. The selection was made upon the basis of the speeches the girls presented for the Legion Auxiliary on Monday, April 21.

U.N. model assembly held

On Friday and Saturday, April 11 and 12, the U.N. Model Assembly was held at U.N.I. in Cedar Falls. Marion High School sent this group representing the Ethiopian delegation which was comprised of Nick Oakley, Terry Meier, Jean Kriegermeier, Monty Marshall, Margaret Boquist, and Lars Heikenstein, and sponsored by Mr. Boquist. Friday's schedule was filled with the first Plenary session. Included in this session were the welcoming events, instructions, and speeches delivered by the various delegations. The opening exercises were followed by committee meetings, where there were discussions of the resolutions submitted by the different delegations, caucusing, and voting on the proposed resolutions. On Saturday, the second and final Plenary session was held. In this session the delegations discussed the resolutions received from the committees and made amendments to the said resolutions. After the discussion there was a continuation of the caucusing and voting on resolutions. The U.N. Model Assembly was brought to a close by a banquet Saturday night, which was held in honor of the delegates. The featured speaker was Dr. George Poagh, a professor from UNI.

Twirp day-dance at MHS

On Friday, April 18, the Sophomore class sponsored a Twirp Day and Dance. According to the rules of the Sadie Hawkins' Day ritual, the girls asked the boys to the dance. Furthermore, during the day the girls did various jobs for the boys and were awarded points. At the end of the day, the points were totaled and the couple obtaining the most points won the enviable "Twirp King and Queen" titles. The crowns were won by Stephanie Ehresman and Steve Wells with the high score of 23 points. The dance was held from 8:30 to 11:30 in the high school auditorium, and entertainment was provided by the Seven Foot Clearance. Refreshments were served.

CONGRATULATIONS to Barbara Huffman

CONGRATULATIONS to Barbara Huffman and Jeanine Tew for being among the ten finalists in the State Spanish contest held in Iowa City, April 19. Barbara Huffman also received a medal for the second place position. There were over 2,000 Iowa students entering the competition in 2nd, 3rd, and 4th year Spanish. From those, 10 students in each year were chosen to participate in the final contest. This was Marion's sixth straight year for winning top honors in the state contest.

F.B.L.A. members attend state conference

On April 11 and 12, Mrs. Henderson and ten girls from Marion High School's F.B.L.A. Chapter attended the State Leadership Conference held at the University of Northern Iowa. Members competed in the following contests: spelling, current event, bookkeeping, novice shorthand, novice typewriting, amateur shorthand, and amateur typewriting. Linda Butler came in third place in Novice (80wpm) Shorthand, Chris Little came in third place in Amateur (100wpm) Shorthand, and Vickie Stick came in third place in Amateur (more than one year) typewriting.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE GIRLS! The weather during the two days was beautiful and the club members enjoyed visiting the different buildings on the campus and also the shops in College Town.

I.A. club to visit Ozarks

On May 31, approximately 12 boys from the Industrial Arts Club will depart on a trip to the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri. The boys will be expected to rough it as they will be fishing and camping out for the duration of the five day trip. Besides stopping at the Lake of the Ozarks, a visit to Bagnell is also being planned. Mr. Woodson and Mr. Cracraft will chaperone the group.

Unsung heroes

It is possible to measure just how well rounded a student is by observing how many hours he spends at school when he doesn't have to be there. Musical and play casts, cheerleaders, our great school band, the editors of our newspaper and yearbook, our athletic teams, Science Fair winners, small music groups, and countless others broaden their horizons by spending extra hours before or after school. These are the kids who go the extra mile, who want to profit from enriching experiences, who develop their talents, and want to contribute to the school and community.

A big hand of applause is deserved by that portion of our faculty and student body, who by giving their due and then some, have made high school more rewarding for all of us.

Spectacular days relived at the prom

Cheerleaders Chosen

A squad of 12 cheerleaders for the 1969 football season was chosen after a try-out session held April 24. These 12 girls are Carol Augustine, Nancy Jacobsen, Carol Flory, Cindy Simpson, Rhonda Carmichael, Julie Meader, Lori Petersen, Becki Kenton, Pam Ford, Julie Kline, Debbie Long, and Jana Grady. Each of the 19 girls who tried out was required to run through a series of jumps and two sets of cheers. The panel of judges, consisting of Mrs. Spores, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Schaefer, Mr. Dollinger, and Mr. Perkins, rated the contestants on the quality of their jumps and cheers as well as on such factors as smile, poise, and clearness of voice. Try-outs for basketball and wrestling cheerleading will be held in the fall.

Students are like that

Students are exasperating at times. It happens in all classes at one time or another. Let's drop in on a few classrooms and listen to possible teacher comments.

Mr. Perkins -- No, a square root is not a vegetable.
Mr. Roger Hanson--Maybe if you would try a little harder, that time figure would rise, at least to a two-digit number.
Mr. Skilling--The trouble started when the settlers paid the Indians only twenty-four dollars for Manhattan Island.
Mrs. Pantini--Maybe if I put it in simpler language. You see there was Ben Franklin and this kite. . .

School is . . .

--getting sick at school during the middle of the winter and having your mother coming to pick you up wearing shorts, white socks and tennis shoes.

Test? What Test?
--being absent the day of a test and returning the next day to find it was postponed until that day.

--walking your girlfriend to every class and getting detention for being tardy for your own classes.
--chewing your gum all day long and getting detention for it in sixth hour.
--being starved for lunch and then find out we're having bean soup.
--having a fire drill while you're taking a shower in gym class
--being 4'10" and getting stuck with the top locker

--typing 80 wpm without looking at the keyboard, and finding out you had the wrong home keys to start with.
--answering all the questions right on a pop quiz, and then having the teacher decide not to take grades.
--having someone pour Pepsi on your history book and having to steam it open.

It's that time of year when a young man's fancy turns to love and a young girl's turns to the anticipation of PROM. Youthful romance will get a boost, thanks to the romantic, enticing effects of a pompous prom. The juniors and seniors of Marion High will get a chance to enter the wonderful world of long formals, white dinner jackets, and fragile flowers, on the third of May, nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

The Junior-Senior Prom this year will be held at the Armair Ballroom. Those attending the Prom will be whisked into an atmosphere of days gone by. This year's theme has been selected from a popular song, "Those Were the Days". The junior class has been busy planning a prom that will surely be remembered by all.

A local band, "The American Legend" will provide music for the festive event. This combo is well known for its ability to create really provocative music. The sponsors of the junior class, who have been adding their artistic talents to the creation of Prom 1969: Miss Larson, Mrs. Pantini, Mrs. Lund, Mr. Boquist, and Mr. Rinas. They have been guiding the ingenious ideas of the juniors, and are helping to make Prom a reality.

Prom is an annual event at Marion High School. Early last fall, the juniors began their magazine sales to raise money for the upcoming event. Various activities have been sponsored throughout the school year by the junior class to secure sufficient funds for a successful prom. It is held every year in honor of the soon-to-be graduated seniors. Invitations have been sent to every senior student, insuring that each individual is properly invited.

Prom is not very far off, and the anticipations of the students will be fulfilled in a few days. We hope that everyone will attend and thoroughly enjoy the atmosphere of Prom 1969. It will create a beautiful memory to be cherished throughout the upcoming years. We hope that you decide to join us in making the evening a romantic, never-to-be-forgotten Junior-Senior Prom.

--missing all your favorite TV programs doing your government and then discovering it wasn't due until next week.
--finishing your geometry assignment just before the bell rings and discovering you've done the wrong problems.
--trying to convince your teacher that your baby brother chewed the cover off your English book
--"Can I hand in this semester term paper tomorrow? I had to work last night and couldn't get to the library".
--having your mother put your name on your lunch sack.

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Ping-Pong champions determined



Joe Andrea sets record 2-Mile run at Tipton Relays

Joe Andrea is the school's first ping pong champ. In an exciting showdown with Lars Heikenstein, Andrea made a fine come from behind effort for the victory. Andrea was down two games to none and won the next three to win the match and championship. A trophy is to be set in the trophy case with Andrea's name engraved with space provided for future ping-pong champs.

Earlier this year the mixed double team of Heikenstein-Fowler beat the Andrea-Wade team in two straight games to win the mixed doubles championship.

Basketball letter winners named

Posting a spirited 86-72 victory over Independence, the Marion Indians ended the 1968-69 basketball season with an 8-11 over all mark. Although lacking experience and size, the Indians continued to gain momentum as the season progressed.

Much of the experience problem should be solved next year as Marion will have the following returning lettermen: Jim Meggers, Greg Morris, Dennis Schmucker, Bob Schueler, Mike Walker, and Mark Witte. Out-going senior letter winners are: Mark Andersen, Joe Andrea, Caron Brown, Stu Ciha, and Tony Crosby.

Marion nine to open season at Linn-Mar

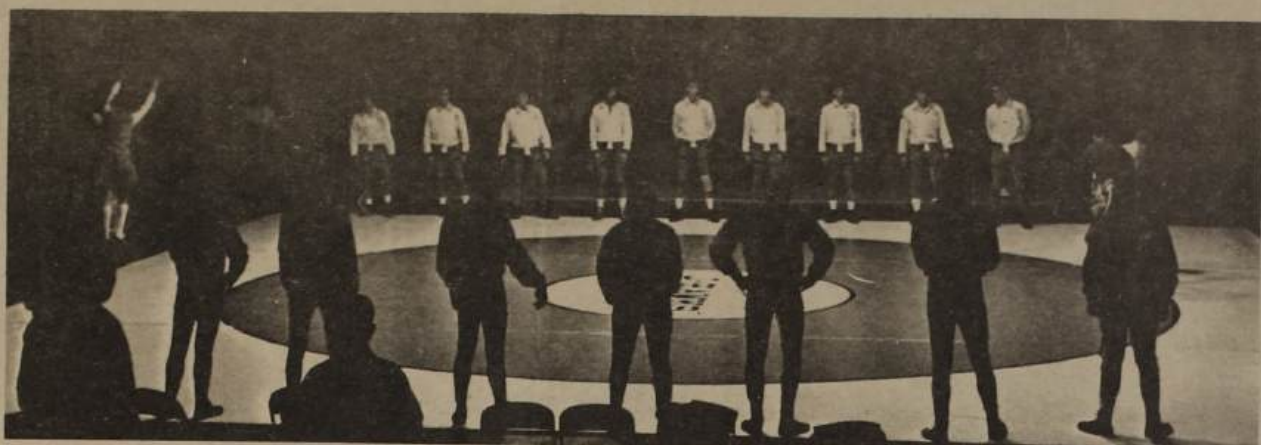
The 1969 Marion High baseball squad will open its season on May 26 with a game against intra-city rival Linn-Mar. The Indians will play an 18 game slate with nine home games on the schedule.

Practice will start early in May for those boys not involved in track or golf.

New head coach Les Dollinger is optimistic about this year's prospects but is quick to add that the success of this year's squad will depend on the senior lettermen and the attitude and desire of team members. There are 10 returning lettermen plus some fine prospects from last year's sophomore team.

Lettermen are: Stu Ciha, Ed Galloher, Gary Hucker, Bruce Klink, Jim Meggers, Ron Renger, Mark Rinas, Allen Risk, John Severson and Jerry Zikmund.

WRITERS...Lars Heikenstein, Jean Bowen, Jean Jacobson, Amy Scheppelle, Nancy Jacobsen, Anita Johnson, Nancy Gott, Debbi Bissell, Greg Waite, Jerry Hopkins, Jim Snodgrass, Mary Seng, Vicki Stick, Debbi Jacque, Pat Lahue, Pat Hass, Penny Beck, Susan Moyer, Karen Hanson, Pat Davis, Janet Archibald, Virginia Oakley, Dawn Lowry, Lori Peterson, Karen Mulford.



Wrestlers prepare for action.

The track season is now well underway and the squad has had a few very fine performances. Joe Andrea battered the old 2-mile run record of 10:44.7 by more than 27 seconds at the Tipton Relays. Joe had established the old mark himself last year. Jerry Zikmund is quickly closing in on the shot put school record he set last year at 49'10". At the Tipton relays Jerry won the open shot put event with a 48'8" toss and a few days later won the Viking relays with a distance of 49'3". He may set a new record of over 50 feet soon. Chuck Reilly whirled the discus 133'2-1/2" in a triangular meet for his personal high; Reilly is even improving to such an extent that Mike Hebert's record may be in jeopardy.

Alan Moorhead seems to be improving in the hurdles and the 100-yard dash men, sophomore Rick Rane and junior Tom Yuva, are moving very well. Rane turned in a 10.5 time in a recent triangular meet, one-half a second off the school record, with Tom Yuva right behind him.

Rick Danford is approaching the 20 foot mark in the long jump; while Greg Morris, a new entrant in this field event, managed to cop second place in a triangular meet right behind Danford. Bob Schueler and Terry Meeks show equal ability in the high jump and are aiming toward honors in this event.

The two-mile relay team of Ward, Anderson, Luedtke and Jim Davis is looking good and are not far away from the time they need to take first place in the big meets.

In the 220 Rick Danford showed a terrific effort against long legged Ken Wennekamp of Monticello in a triangular. Rick finished second a step behind Wennekamp but showed great poise all the way. The 880 relay is another top showing event for Marion with the team of Rane, Morris, Danford, and Parks. This team possesses a lot of talent and will be worthwhile to watch in future meets. Also, Kevin Schott is showing the potential to break the 440 school record of which he is now a co-holder.

Marion also has two fine pole vaulters in Roger Rollins and freshmen Van Gillman. These two appear to be well-matched in ability and provide good depth for the team.

The track squad, because of bad weather, hasn't really had the opportunity to get the necessary practice underfoot to get well underway. Nevertheless, in a triangular meet held here on April 22, Marion and Maquoketa tied with 76 points apiece, while Monticello lagged behind with 31 points.



WOULD YOU BELIEVE...?



Ping-Pong mixed doubles competition



Senior-Faculty Game



JERRY ZIKMUND



RICK DANFORD