



MARION HIGH SCHOOL
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Some Comments On Dress Code

By Susan Moyer

This article is written solely for those who happened to be trapped in a cave or something the day the new dress code came into effect and therefore did not hear about it.

The new rules are as follows:

1. Girls may wear dress slacks during the cold months of January, February, etc. (although this writer has seen a few pairs of blue jeans in the halls lurking about.)

2. Boys may wear dress boots. (I still don't think anyone is clear on what is meant by "dress" boots.)

3. Boys don't have to wear belts which is not too drastic a change, since a lot of them haven't since they were in junior high.

4. Sideburns may come down to the earlobe which is a big relief for the girls.

To the dismay of most of the boys (those with eyes anyhow) skirt lengths have drastically changed which proves that old adage that girls don't dress for boys, but dress to impress other girls.

All in all the new dress code has proved very satisfactory and timely for girls when the chill factor got down to 60 degrees below zero.

Report From Student Senate

By Debi Jacque

The Cedar Rapids schools have asked Marion High School to participate in a project to try to get the theater managers to lower their movie prices. First a representative from all Cedar Rapids and Marion High Schools will meet with the theater managers in an attempt to lower prices.

If this does not work, we would like the help of all our students in participating in a boycott. This means that everyone should refuse to pay the high movie prices and not go to the theaters until the prices are lowered. To make this plan effective it is necessary that we have everyone's participation.

REMEMBER-We will only boycott if the managers and the schools can't come up with a compromise. The boycott will not be for a while yet so you can go to the shows NOW!

Editors Attend Meeting

Four editors from the Vox attended an intra-school journalism meeting on January 12. Its purpose was the discussion of common problems by the editors of the various school newspapers. Representatives from Linn-Mar, Regis, and Jefferson were also present.

The editors got off to a fine start by sharing each others questions. A frequent question asked was "What's the Vox?", and "How's the corn doing out on the farm, Marionites?"

With tongue-in-cheek, the Marion four listened patiently while members from Jefferson discussed such areas as defying the administration to catching robbers in the school parking lot.

All in all, the group accomplished quite a lot. The next meeting will be held in February, and Linn-Mar school will be the host.

F.B.L.A. Meet

On January 13, FBLA met in Room 7. Mrs. Sue Nelson, a court reporter for a local judge, talked on court reporting.

The girls discussed the FBLA convention that will be held in April in Cedar Falls. The girls can compete in the various categories: typing, bookkeeping, vocabulary, spelling, and current events. More will be discussed about the convention later on.

Plans were also discussed about an upcoming dance that FBLA is sponsoring on February 6. The theme of the dance is Valentine's Day.

FTA Program On Workshop

By Roxanne Kucera

At the January meeting of FTA, Marilyn Von Behren provided the program. Marilyn participated (last summer) in a high school workshop in Evanston, Ill. It was called "Critical Thinking and Education". There were 165 young people but she was the only one from Iowa.

Marilyn indicated to the group that sessions of work, discussion, and lectures were highly stimulating. There were also many evening activities planned to take advantage of culture in the Chicago area.

Marilyn said there were very fine friendships and contacts made with other students participating in the workshop. She recommended this kind of experience for any other student who might wish to participate.

Home Ec. Activities

By Roxanne Kucera

In Home Ec. the first year students have just finished making salads. Third year students are starting to put together wool outfits, and the seniors are studying dating and courtship.

Students Works In Anthology

Each year the students of the English Department have a chance to enter poems in the National High School Poetry Press Contest. This year Marion High School has six winners.

The three seniors are Jo Anne Hunt, Linda Meffert, and Sandy Stotler. The three sophomores are Peg Bowen, Jana

Grady, and Bob Sixta. Congratulations to these winners.

Their poems will be appearing in a book entitled "Young America Sings", and anthology of high school poetry, a copy of which will be kept in our library.

Scenes Off Stage & On At Quill Show



Why Cheat The Band

Just out of curiosity's sake, I would like to know how many students at Marion High School have ever listened to the band. I would wager that very few have.

Marion High School has a great band. The talented musicians have labored long and hard to reach their present status. What do they get in return? A few giggles from unsophisticated youngsters who do not appreciate good music.

When was the last time you attended one of their band concerts? Let me see . . . was it three years ago, or can't you remember?

I think it is time that the members of the band got the recognition they deserve. The Athletic department is well-recognized. But what about the band? It always seems to be taken for granted.

I would suggest that everyone start supporting the Marion High Band, and start to attend its concerts. It's not every school that has such a fine music department as Marion High.

So from now on, don't giggle everytime the band performs. Listen to their music and what it has to say. I'm sure you won't regret it, and you just might bring a little culture into your lives.

Entertaining, original, outstanding. . . these are but three of the words that fittingly describe the 1970 Quill Show.

Acts in the show ranged from the singing of some of the popular songs of the decade to slapstick comedy skits. A combination Mexican-Spanish theme was present in several of the acts including the Spanish Fleas, and Jean and Teresa, who surprised their audiences by singing "Scarborough Fair" in Spanish.

There was also a skit centered around an obnoxious waitress who, in the end, was rewarded with a pie in her face.

Dave Williams did an outstanding job singing an old Beatle favorite, "Yesterday."

But no Quill Show would be complete without the traditional Senior Girls Chorus Line. Dressed this year as black bunnies with white tails and ears, their performance to "Lady Godiva" demanded an encore.

The Quill Show is an annual benefit put on to raise money for the school year book. But money isn't the only thing gained from a show like this. Countless memories are added to every member of the audience as well as to the performers themselves.

The Quill staff would like to express its appreciation to all those who helped to make the show the success that it was. Hats off for a fine production and an excellent performance.

CLASSROOM SCENE OF CONVENTION



Smoke Signals

By Sam Begley
WRESTLING

Without a doubt, Dennis Oliphant has developed into one of the finest wrestlers in the area, perhaps one of the best in the state at 98 pounds. At this writing he is 16-0 on the season. If Denny reaches the goals of an undefeated season and state ranking he would probably be the most singular outstanding grappler in the history of Marion High School Wrestling. Marion has an additional fine forte of wrestlers on the squad that include Bob McCue, Ken Trout, Rick Danford, Steve Kray, Chuck Reilly, and Dan Borst. The list goes on and on as a fine tradition of wrestling is beginning to crop up, develop, and prosper throughout the entire wrestling program at Marion. At this writing the WaMaC meet was coming up. Forecasts included a strong Marion showing with a big contention for the team championship in addition to some excellent individual showings.

BASKETBALL

Varsity games have been exciting, close, and not lacking for a lot of action. Marion has battled very hard and has won, as the good team does, the close ones. Marion has won two overtime games recently 72-65 over Maquoketa and 77-72 over Manchester on road games. The varsity has also topped Anamosa 76-71. Dennis Schmuecker had a big game against Maquoketa with 37 points. Schmuk hit 16 of 19 from the field, making some spectacular moves and shots. Mark Witte is the squads best jumper at 32 inches off the floor and it really adds something to his picturesque jump shot. Jim Meggers has developed a great outside shot that is very consistent. Charlie Knudsen was the big star in the Manchester game and led a "bench brigade" that instilled confidence throughout the entire squad knowing it has depth. The sophs are becoming better all the time. They lost a close one (48-44) to Maquoketa but then beat both Prairie and Manchester.

VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball intramurals have started in night sessions, but they haven't made public their results. Ping-pong is on the slate for upcoming events.

GRA

Competitive basketball for girls has started. Now that their exhibitions season has started and ended in a squeaker loss to Maquoketa (41-27), the girls are ready for tournament play. Good Luck, girls.

Coed bowling is on the next schedule of events and will continue on into the second semester.

Band News

While the Freshmen stayed home, the rest of the Marion band traveled to Independence to participate in the Wamac Band Festival January 17. There were two bands, a Senior band and a Sophomore-Junior band. We practiced about four hours and at 7:30 we got together for a concert. Three members of our band were selected to play in the Honor Band at Iowa City. These people are Bryan Thayer, Eric Schnell, Bill Mordorst and Paul Wright, Jr. These people deserve our congratulations.

Records From Student Senate

Here is a list of the records the Student Senate has donated to the school to be played during lunch hours. Students are invited to bring records of their own to be played over the intercom system.

Marion High School Record Collection

1. The Vogues' Greatest Hits
2. The Greatest Hits of Erie Burdon and The Animals
3. The Rascals' Greatest Hits
4. Dennis Yost and the Classics IV
5. The Mamas & The Papas-16 of their Greatest Hits
6. The Beatles
7. Bookends/Simon & Garfunkel
8. Creedence Clearwater Revival
9. Rolling Stones-Through the Past, Darkly
10. The 5th Dimension-Stoned Soul Picnic

THANK YOU

I would like to use this opportunity to say thank you to all of the Marion High School people who have done

By Ryan Tew

Marion opened their home game with Anamosa with a flashy offense and a fine defensive performance. The Indians seemed to score every time they got the ball while jumping ahead 27-13 in the first quarter.

Dennis Schmuecker hit two jumpers early in the second period to increase the Marion lead to 31-13. However, this was the largest advantage the Indians gained during the game. Anamosa came back with a strong second quarter to show they are capable of coming back.

The Blue Raiders' rally at the close of the half brought them within striking distance at 41-35. The second half showed neither team able to gain an advantage for long although Anamosa closed the gap to 60-56 when the third stanza ended.

Marion held on in the final period to win the game 76-71 and gain revenge for the losses of last years' team to Anamosa's co-champion squad.

Wrestling News

By Ryan Tew

Prairie's wrestling team, fourth in the state last year and a contender again this year invaded the Marion gym on January 13. Although the Hawks were very impressive, the Indians' grapplers were able to win some of the lighter weights.

Dennis Oliphant increased his string of consecutive victories and gained his second pin of the season while giving Marion a 5-0 lead. Denny has now won 15 straight matches since placing 3rd in last year's state meet. Bob McCue followed with a pin in the third period. Ken Trout and Steve Kray lost decisions by three points, but Rick Danford won a 2-0 decision giving Marion a 13-6 lead after the first five weights. Then Prairie began to show its strength in the heavier weights.

Pins by the Hawks in the last three matches put the meet away and gave Prairie a 37-13 win.

The Little Hawks also won a victory over Marion's JV team 34-14. Glen McCue, Tom Bowen, Carey Omess, and Gary Bolden scored wins for Marion.

Manchester scored a win over Marion's wrestling team on January 16, 34-15. Dennis Oliphant pinned his opponent and Rick Danford gained a 5-0 decision over the 123 pounder from Manchester. The

Indians then suffered a long dry spell before 185 lb. Chuck Reilly added a pin with ten seconds left in his match. Ken Trout drew with his opponent at 115 lbs. to round out Marion scoring. Marion's record in dual meets now stands at 3 wins and 4 losses.

The Indians next contest is the WaMaC conference meet. Dennis Oliphant and Chuck Reilly were winners last year and will be contenders again this year.

Bob McCue, Rick Danford, Steve Kray, John Walton, and others may be counted on to put up an effective challenge for a conference championship.

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so many wonderful things for me during the past ten days.
Maria Teresa Alonso

Basketball News

PRAIRIE

A third quarter Prairie rally stole the lead from Marion in the Indians' third non-conference game of the season. The Hawks grabbed an early advantage and held on until the last two minutes of the first half. Then Jim Meggers began a spree of perfect corner shots which helped Marion to a 28-26 halftime lead.

Jon Brase scored seven straight field goals to aid the Hawks in the third quarter Marion tried to start a comeback several times in the second half, but the Indians attack never regained the lead.

Brase led the Prairie team to their fifth win 71-61, but was supported by Gibney with 16 and Waite with 11. Marion's scoring was balanced with 20 from Meggers, 13 from Greg Morris, and 10 by Mark Witte.

MANCHESTER

Marion's reserves helped spark a comeback victory at Manchester with a blazing fourth quarter attack. The Indians outshot Manchester 28-16 in the final period to send the game into overtime. Then Dennis Schmuecker continued Marion's surge by scoring all six overtime points to defeat the Manhawks 76-72.

Early in the contest the home team threatened to run away with the game as Ryan Miller led the surge to a 22-7 first stanza score. The second and third quarters were fairly well balanced although the Indians cut Manchester's advantage to 12 points in preparation for the final rally.

The last moments showed Mark Witte splitting the nets with two free throws to crop the Manchester lead to 69-68. Paul Dyer hit a free throw to set the stage for Charlie Knudsen's last second goal following a rebound.

The Indian attack was led by Greg Morris' 20 points followed by Mark Wittes' 17, Meggers' 13, and Knudsens' 12 with his 17 rebounds. Miller was the games high scorer with 34 and Harbaugh added 12 to the Manhawks' score.

BB Time At GRA

It's basketball time in G.R.A. and every Monday and Thursday evening you can see energetic young ladies running up and down the courts after the elusive ball.

The more dedicated girls in G.R.A. have gone out for Girls Competitive Basketball. In the Starry Elementary gym these girls undergo rigorous training, perfecting their skills in passing, dribbling and shooting.

In the exhibition game against Maquoketa, the Squaws lost in a narrow squeaker (41-27) to the Cardinals.

Soon the Squaws will begin actual tournament play against LaSalle, Mt. Vernon, Prairie and Linn-Mar.

Below is the Squaws' Jr.-Sr. lineup.
"D.D." (Double Dribble Meader
"Streach" Kenton
"Rover" Robbins
"GG" (Groovy Guard) Hansen
"Hotshot" Jacobsen
"P.P." (Pitter Patter) Price
"Gunner" Christiansen
"Wandering" Ward
"Sebe" Sebern
"Vicious" Van Note
"Killer" Kleis

The Squaws are coached by the Vince Lombardi of the basketball court - Coach McLeod.

Calendar

Jan. 29--End of Semester
Jan. 30--In-Service Day--NO SCHOOL
Jan. 30--BB, Vinton, 6:30 p.m. T
Jan. 31--BB, Benton Community, freshmen, 8:30 a.m. T; BB Benton Community JV, 10:45 a.m. T; WR, Independence 6:30 p.m. T.

Feb. 3--WR, Linn-Mar, 6:30 p.m. T
Feb. 6--BB, Maquoketa, 6:30 p.m. H
Feb. 6--WR, Anamosa, 6:30 p.m. T
Feb. 7--WaMaC speech meet at Independence; B B, Linn-Mar, freshmen, 9 a.m. H; BB, Linn-Mar, JV, 9:30 a.m. T
Feb. 9--WR, Alburnett, JV, T
Feb. 10--BB, Linn-Mar, 6:30 p.m. T
Feb. 10-11--AA and A Wrestling Sectional
Feb. 13--BB, Anamosa, 6:30 p.m. T
Feb. 14--BB, Vinton, JV, 9:30 a.m. T

Feb. 16--BB, Kennedy, JV, 6:30 p.m. H
Feb. 16-17--AA Wrestling District

From The Files

2-4-6- YEARS AGO

WINTER, 1968--Julie Martin won the Betty Crocker Award. Honeymooners in the Quill show were Mr. England and Mrs. Fenwick along with Mr. Skilling and Mrs. Pantini. Cindy Brackett, Jo Ann Hunt, Jana Ketelsen, and Nancy Jacobsen had their poems published in a book "Young America Sings". Margaret Boquist and Linda Lint also had their prose writing published in the anthology. Both soph and varsity BB teams were in top contention for WaMaC championships.

WINTER, 1966--Band members selected to All-State Band were Bonnie Potter, Julie Hahn, Gary Warner, Mary Sue Wright, Mary Lee Hahn, and Craig Horner. Nancy Gibney, George Svoboda, Junie DeVera, and Pete Garlinghouse assumed duties of some city offices on Youth Appreciation Day. Linda Duckett was the MHS correspondent to CO-ED Magazine.

WINTER, 1964--The Quill show was produced on a nightclub type format. Judy Rasmussen was Marion's Winter Sports Queen. Some of the members of the Debate Squad were Cathy Clossen, Gary Bruenig, Larry Stookey, Pete Garlinghouse, John Stiffin, Danny Whitmore, and Dimitri Vulectic, Dennis Crouse, Caral Kemp and Connie Clossen.

"The Valiant" Will Be School Play

"The Valiant," a one act play by Hall and Middlemass, has aroused a lot of curiosity and interest from a lot of people. This play has the following characters: Dennis Fish as "James Dyke," Less Warner as "Father Daly," Dave Nees as the "Warden," Terry Foster, as "Josephine Paris," Ron Johnson as the jailor, and Lance Alexander as the attendant. The Valiant's stage crew chairman is Steve Mullenix and Rita Robbins is the student director. The crew consists of Anita Jones, Gwen Barnes, Loma Kucera and Elizabeth Frye.

There is also a play reading by Thornton Wilder called "The Happy Journey." Both of these plays were presented on January 24 in Pleasant Valley at the Iowa High School Speech Association. They will also be presented February 13 in Cedar Rapids, at Washington High School Festival or February 14 at the WaMaC Festival in Independence, or at the Kohawk speech contest held at Coe college.

Original orations were given by Dave White and Larry McPherson. Dave Nees acted as a radio speaker, Gary Hoag and Ryan Tew gave extemporaneous speeches.

Nearly 305 students from 33 schools in Iowa, Illinois and Nebraska participated in the two-day event.

Excellent ratings were received by Dennis Fish and Mary Lee Carr. All speakers showed improvement over previous contests.

As Mrs. Swinton says, "I am very encouraged by the continuing development and enthusiasm of our speakers".

Feb. 20--BB, Manchester, 6:30 p.m. H

Feb. 21--BB Prairie, JV, 9:30 a.m. H

Feb. 23--Basketball Boys Sectional
Feb. 24--BB Independence, 6:30 p.m. H

Feb. 25-26--Boys Sectional Basketball
Feb. 27-28--State Wrestling Meet District Speech Contest.

Spanish Club

Initiate Fund

Program

The students of the Spanish club initiated a fund raising campaign for their trips to Mexico by selling gifts for Christmas. These consisted of plastic Christmas trees, to be used for decoration, telephone books, diaries and photo books and cook books. All in all a profit of several hundred dollars was made.