

MARION HIGH SCHOOL  
Thursday, March 26, 1970

## Films Shown For Classes For Drug Week

We are in the midst of "Drug Week"—a 2 week long attempt to show students the terrifying dangers of the use of drugs. Films are being shown in American Studies I and II classes, and jr. and sr. English and World Literature classes. The films being shown are: "Drugs & Driving", "The Riddle", "Hooked", "Drugs & the Nervous System", and "LSD".

The purpose of this week is NOT to lecture to students about the use of drugs, but to show the facts and let the students draw their own conclusions. The discussion is led by the students and not teacher-oriented.

The members of the Vox staff hope that each of you gain some insight into the drug dilemma by participating in "Drug Week."

## Business Leaders To Enter State Events

Members of the Marion High School Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America will be sending delegates to the 24th annual state leadership conference to be held on the campus of the University of Northern Iowa April 17 and 18.

Members from the local chapter will be competing against other Iowa chapters to represent Iowa at the National Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania June 10-12.

Members representing this chapter in the various competitive events are:

Spelling Relay: Barbara Glass, Carol Holub, Norma Burhart

Creed Oration: Bev Milbach  
Novice Shorthand--80: Jackie Yuva, Pat Ruggles  
Novice Shorthand--90: Chris Schoop, Carol Seng  
Amateur Shorthand--100: Linda Butler, Peggy Coleman  
Amateur Shorthand--110: Sandy Sparenberg, Diane Mangold  
Novice Typewriting: Anne Jacobs, Beth Ford  
Amateur Typewriting: Pat Haas  
Business Knowledge, Current Events, General Information Contest: Eileen McDonnell, Beth Ford, Karen Mulford.

## Editorial

### COURTESY

Webster says courtesy is "gracious politeness". In Marion High School there is a definite lack of it. Recent incidents where Marion students showed obvious disrespect seem to indicate that some students no longer possess qualities of "gracious politeness".

I feel that the disrespect and uncourteousness that is present is not inborn. Young children in a classroom are more attentive than a (supposedly) mature high school student. It is a trend of the day to go against the establishment whether it be the school as a whole or individually in a classroom.

An example of the rudeness displayed by our student body was at the Kirkwood Choir assembly.

A member of the chorus said that the entire chorus felt like walking out. They were all humiliated and would never return it was said. It would be interesting to see how many students would enjoy preparing a concert and presenting it to a group of unappreciative children that would laugh in their face.

Maybe this situation will improve. Call it discourtesy or apathy it is still an ugly and disgusting thing to be witness to. Students may develop some respect for authority and actually show some courtesy but I think it will come only when they wish to be respected themselves.



Kirkwood Chorus Entertains at MHS

## Band Holds Spring Concert

By Dave Handkins

On March 13, the band had their spring concert with quite a few people attending. The audience was entertained with a variety of different pieces. The band started out with "Old Comrades" and "Nabucco" and then for a change of pace, the stage band played a number called "Carnaby Street." "Incidental Suite" and "Festivo" were included in the repertory. At the end as an encore, the percussion ensemble played Tom Davis' arrangement of "Greensleeves".

Band members are devoting quite a bit of attention to their groups as they get ready for the State contest on April 3 and 4.

On March 14 some groups went to Iowa City to receive criticism. They received some needed help and hopefully are on their way to a first.

The band really has a challenge in trying to equal last year's record of 36 firsts. Right now most groups are a little rusty, but as they come down the "straightaway" they will undoubtedly reach their goal.



Qualitative Analysis Class. . . Does Randy Stiffin have the Magical Touch?

## Contest Set For April 3

A Vocal Music State Contest featuring solo and ensemble work will be April 3 and 4 at Anamosa.

Connie Burkhart, Anita Jones, Jean Kriegermeier, Elizabeth Frye, Karen Mulford, Diane Ward, Dave Hankins, Margaret Boquist, Dave Ward, John Parks, Jeff Preston, Gary Burkhart, Randy Wade and Mike Nash are some of the people going. Also quartets, sextets, and other small groups are competing. We wish you Lots of Luck and a plaque.

Some of the music students sang for the Lions Club on March 24.

And the Boys and Girls Glee Club will sing for the PTA at Open House on the night of April 9.

## Art Teachers Meet

By Loma Kucera

Last fall the WaMac art teachers met and discussed the idea of a Traveling Art Exhibit. This idea was accepted and 15 art projects in the various media in which the school was working were gathered and started on their way through the eight WaMac schools.

We have already had some really good art exhibits from some of the WaMac schools. So keep your eyes open and see Vinton's Independence's, and Marion's greatest artists.

## Career Day Is April 4

The fourth annual Health Careers Day will be April 4 at St. Luke's hospital. Activities will include guided tours of the hospital so that boys and girls can see the more than 100 job classifications. Lunch will be in the main dining room as guests of the hospital.

Each student will attend two 70-minute seminars chosen from a field of fourteen. Specialists will explain requirements and rewards of these career classifications.

An informal hour, with refreshments, will close the day with seminar leaders on hand to answer any further questions.

If YOU are interested in a health career, pick up a registration form from your counselor.

## Courtney 2nd; Tew 8th In Physics Test

Two Marion High school seniors were recently honored for their outstanding performance on the 1970 Drake University Physics Prize Examination. On February 6, Dallas Courtney and Ryan Tew took the examination, which was offered to all physics students in Iowa high schools. They were both recently notified of the results of their performances; Dallas finished second in the state earning a \$200 Drake tuition award, and Ryan finished eighth receiving a \$100 Drake tuition award.

Congratulations, boys. Nice work!

## Girls VS. Boys? ? At Marion High

Feature, if you will, sixteen Marion High School senior girls dressed in T-shirts, gym shorts, and tennis shoes and all carrying a basketball. Now, imagine fifteen Marion High school senior boys dressed in T-shirts, gym shorts, and tennis shoes and all wearing mittens. Such was the setting for the senior girls versus the senior boys basketball game on March 17.

Now feature, if you CAN, the male members of the Marion High School faculty dressed in skimpy T-shirts, skimpier gym shorts, and tennis shoes, galloping around the basketball court in an attempt to prove their superiority over the KLWW Dirty Dribblers. Such was the setting for the Marion High School Faculty versus the KLWW Dirty Dribblers basketball game.

Jump balls, free throws, hook shots, lay ups, and desperation shots were common elements in both games, which were refereed by fair and impartial officials.

In the first game, Coach Knutsen's girls (the underdogs of the match) pulled a near upset as they tied Coach McCleod's boys, 40 to 40.

In the nightcap, Coach Boquist's boys (?) displayed surprising agility and endurance as the team (composed of such hot shots as Smith, Knutsen, and Dollinger and such rebounders as Taylor, Pantini, Kramer, and Skilling) handily defeated their worthy opponents, 67 to 44.

All in all, it was a fun night for everyone, although the day after witnessed several people walking around with aching muscles.

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Between the time Julius Caesar introduced leap year in 45 B.C. to correct the calendar and the late 16th century, the calendar gained about 10 days. To rectify the error, Pope Gregory XIII decreed in 1582 that the day following October 4 should be designated October 15--instead of October 5.



## 7 Qualified For State

By Roxanne Kucera

Seven speakers from Marion High School have qualified for the State Finals of the Iowa High School Speech Association and Iowa Forensic League.

Leading the qualifiers are two Marion High seniors: Jean Kriegermeier, Interpretive Prose and Poetry, and Ryan Tew, Extemporaneous Speaking. Jean and Ryan won the right to represent Marion by winning Superior ratings in both district finals at Bettendorf and Cedar Falls.

Other speakers advancing with superior ratings to the IHSSA finals, held at Williamsburg, Saturday, March 21 were: Mary Lee Carr, Interpretation of Prose; Gary Hoag, Expository Speaking; Gwen Barnes, Expository Speaking; Larry McPherson, Original Oratory; and Graceanne Hart, Interpretation of Poetry.

The Iowa Forensic League Finals will be held at Iowa City, April 16-18. Also attending this contest besides Jean and Ryan will be: Gary Hoag, Expository Speaking on T.V.; Graceanne Hart, Dramatic Interpretation; Dennis Fish, Interpretation; and six representatives to the Student Council--Larry McPherson, Dave White, Deanna Feddern, Michelle Klink, Jill Hunt and Rita Robbins.



Poetry Winners, these girls had their poetry published in a National Anthology. They are: Jana Grady, Nancy Sebern, Roxanne Kucera, Monica Held, Beth Ford, Jan Renfer.

## Winter Athletics End At MHS

Marion's winter athletic teams finished the most successful basketball and wrestling seasons in several years with a fine showing in post-season competition. The wrestlers, led by Indian Award winners, Rick Danford and Dennis Oliphant, were the first Marion team ever to win a sectional championship as they compiled a 7-4 won-loss record in dual meets; this is the best wrestling record in the history of the sports at Marion.

The Indians went on to place eighth in the AA State tournament at Des Moines. The basketball team nailed down narrow wins against Maquoketa and Linn-Mar before losing to Dubuque Wahlert in sub-state competition. The district championship was the second in three years for the basketball teams from Marion, but this year's team put together a 15-6 record bettering the mark of the 1967-68 champs.

Rick Danford came on strongly during the sectional, district, and state wrestling meets to take the State championship in the 115-pound class. Rick won nine straight matches in the tournaments to take the top State honor. Dennis Oliphant put together the second best record in the Cedar Rapids area while winning his third place finish in the State for the second time.

All of Marion's wrestlers at the state tournament won the championship or lost to the eventual champion. Oliphant lost a 4-2 decision in the semi-finals to Dave Musselman of Humboldt. Musselman and Oliphant entered the match with combined records of 61 wins, no losses, and one tie. The match determined the state champ as Musselman grabbed a relatively easy 9-0 decision in the final match. Bob McCue and Chuck Reilly each lost to fine wrestlers in the opening round. Reilly lost a decision to Randy Omvig, an undefeated 185 pounder from Eagle Grove. McCue was decisively last year's 95 pound champ. The seventeen team points earned by Indian wrestlers was the highest total ever gained by a Marion team and placed them eighth in the state.

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The Indian Basketball team left the Marion fans gasping after two one-point victories in the district tournament at Anamosa. The first game seemed to be a personal battle between Maquoketa's center, John Bellendier and Charlie Knudsen, the Indian's pivot man. Bellendier's high arching shots kept his team close until the final seconds. The Cardinal's center managed to sink several jump shots just over Knudsen's outstretched hand. Charlie hit short jump shots through the first half to lead the Marion scorers with 25 points. Bellendier took scoring honors for the game with 36.

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The district championship game was an all-Marion contest. Linn-Mar came close to upsetting the Indians before losing a 59-58 decision. The Indians had won both of the regular season games between the two teams, but Linn-Mar had played well in the second game in the Lion gym.

Linn-Mar grabbed an 11-8 lead in a slow first period. Then Marion began their second stanza surge to leave the Lions behind 30-14 at half time. Linn-Mar was forced to play catch-up basket-

ball in the second half, but they were nearly successful in overtaking the Indians. Bill Jones and Paul Brainard hit from outside to lead the Lion's comeback. Greg Morris capped his seventeen-point game with two free throws in the last seconds of the game, but Linn-Mar hadn't thrown their last score at the Indians yet. Curt Gill tried an off-balance shot in desperation with five seconds left in the game, but it bounced into the hands of Mark Witte, who controlled the ball until the end of the game.

Marion's much improved foul shooting and rebounding were important factors in winning the game. The Indians hit 27 of 38 from the free throw line for 71%.

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Marion fought a battle of the guards with Dubuque Wahlert in the sub-state game at Clinton. Wahlert was led by Rich Miller and Bob Anderson while Marion countered with Greg Morris and Jim Meggers.

Both teams played fine basketball in the first half of the game. The Eagles of Dubuque held slim leads until the end of the first half when they jumped to an eleven point lead. The game slowed down for the third period with neither team gaining an advantage, but Wahlert's lay-ups helped them to break away in the last stanza. The game wasn't decided until later, however, as Marion stayed within ten points until the five minute mark.

Miller led the Dubuque team to its 80-59 victory with twenty-one points and Anderson added nineteen. Marion had balanced scoring with Morris and Meggers hitting sixteen apiece, while Mark Witte and Charlie Knudsen had thirteen.

## From The Files

2, 4, 6 YEARS AGO

SPRING-1968: "Half a Sixpence" was presented. Some of the stars were Kay Wood, Pat Ryal, Monty Marshall, Greg Waite, and Ben Stead.

Becky Rodes and Cynthia Martin represented Marion at the WaMac speech contest. Becky got a second place medal for prose reading.

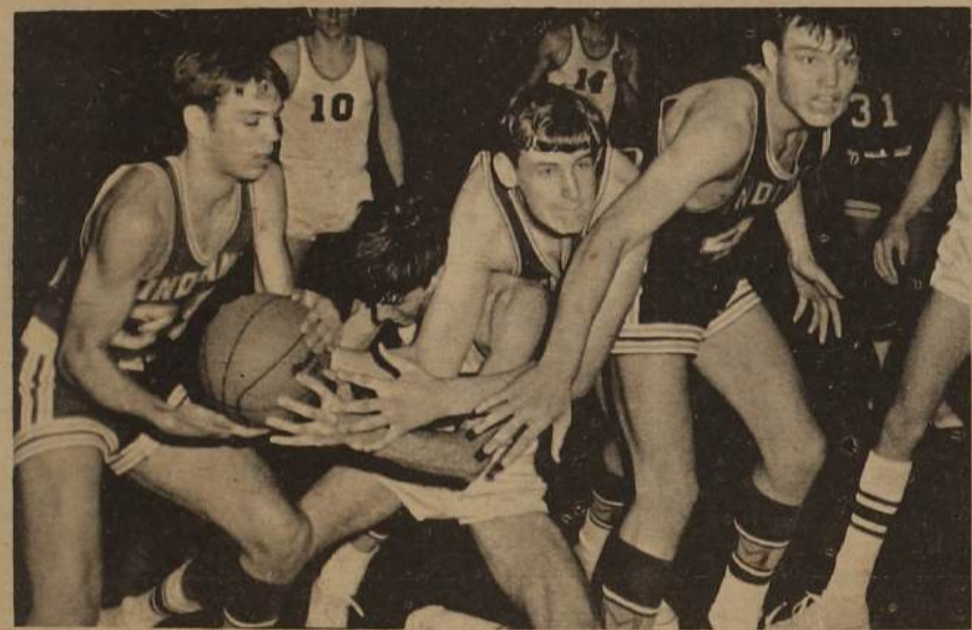
SPRING-1966: Joyce Abernathy won the Betty Crocker Homemaking award. "Ask Any Girl" was the musical presented. The faculty lost 44-39 to the Dirty Dribblers. The sophs were WaMac champions in basketball.

SPRING - 1964: Ed Ruhl picked up third in the state wrestling meet. "Robin Hood" was selected for the spring musical.

## Calendar

March 27-- Good Friday --NO SCHOOL  
March 28--Class A-Indoor Track

April 3-4--AA and A Solo and Ensemble  
April 9--End of 3rd quarter  
April 10--In-Service Day  
April 11--Tipton Relays  
April 14--Viking Relays  
April 18--UNI Relays  
Jr. High Invitational Track  
April 24-25--Drake Relays  
April 25--ACT Test  
Golf meet at Anamosa



BB Action in District with Linn-Mar



BB Marion vs. Dubuque Wahlert in Clinton

## Smoke Signals

By Sam Begley

This month we say hats off to Marion athletic teams. The basketball and wrestling squads produced some fine post-season honors. The cage team eked out two one point victories (the good team wins the close ones) over Maquoketa and Linn-Mar to win the district crown before bowing to Dubuque Wahlert in the sub-state. The wrestlers won the sectional, placed third in districts, and eighth in the state for Marion's best showing ever in the wrestling department. The wrestling team shows good signs of being a wrestling "power" in Iowa and their class for years to come.

The basketball team ended the season with a 15-6 overall record. They finished in a tie for second place in the WaMac. Upon reflection Marion had the second best record in the Cedar Rapids Metropolitan area and was the only team of the eight in the Metro to win a district and advance to substate this year. Post season honors went to Jim Meggers who made second team on all-WaMac selection. Dennis Oliphant and Rick Danford were picked first team all-metro wrestlers. Bob McCue and Chuck Reilly made the second team.

Rick Danford is the state champ wrestler at 115 pounds and Dennis Oliphant matched his third place finish last year again this year. Danford had a season record of 25-6 and Oliphant finished at 30-1. Again, congratulations to these

teams who did an excellent job in representing Marion high school.

Track is just beginning and so is another fabulous ping-pong tournament. Things look good for track; there are a lot of veterans back so go out and watch the competition; it will be worth your while. Nobody has picked any favorites for the ping-pong championship. Veterans are being wary of each other and any dark horse candidates.

A word is due here for the Marion basketball stat-men. Some of the squad's members were Ken King, Ryan Tew, Jim Gorman, Gary Cole, and Dwight Hogan. The group devised their own set of cheers, handshakes, and victory yells. Many an opponent's rally was discouraged by the blood curdling story of the elevator and its shaft. Everyone except the lone senior, Ryan Tew, should return to the ranks next year. Next year look for a stat-men flag, tee-shirts en bloc, and more great stat-men antics.

## BEST OF PRESS

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A youthful figure is something you get when you ask an older woman her age.

-U.S. Naval Depot, Ogden.