



Bored? Why Not Join A Club?

If the teachers don't give you enough homework to keep you busy and you want something to do to chase away the boredom, join a club or organization! At least listen to this.

Vocal music is being offered exclusively during 4th period. This year a new and significant change has been made. The Fresh-Soph girls' glee club has merged with the junior and seniors to make a very large, singular group of over 150 high school girls. We have our fingers crossed that this arrangement will prove applicable to our particular girls. The Special Choir, consisting primarily of juniors and seniors, will be traveling to Maquoketa in early November to participate in the WaMac Conference Vocal Music Festival. If you enjoy music but don't like the sound of your voice, see Mr. Wright about playing an instrument. He might even let you march in his band.

But if music's not you bag FTA opens its door next week. First on the agenda is the decision of whether or not the membership wants to assist the faculty in the correction of tests and the tutoring of students. This has been done successfully in the past and if you want to see this program continued plan now to attend the FTA meeting, the date to be announced.

One date already announced is September 14. This is the election of officers of Health Careers Club. It means coming back to school at 7:30 p.m. but if you think you might like to run for president you better mark it down on your calendar to attend this meeting. Take note that Mrs. Sharon does not discriminate on the basis of age, or sex, in case the Men's Liberation is wondering.

Also for you men comes the opportunity to be the ham you really are. If teachers frown upon your clowning around in class, try out for the fall play! It's an hilariously funny comedy and six lucky boys will be chosen to act in it. If you're a girl with stage lights in your eyes, "Charley's Aunt" has four women's parts to round out the cast. Watch for Try-outs they are coming soon.

If you are a girl that was in Pep Club before and you didn't particularly like it you'll be glad to know the entire format has been changed. We hope for the better. Mrs. Mensing was stingy with the details but she hopes to have a meeting before the first football game and whether you were in before or not, you don't know what the New Pep Club is like until you try it.

These are just a few of the options to choose from. FBLA, BRA, GRA, AFS, Intramural Arts, Art, and Letterman's Clubs will be airing their news soon. Watch future issues of Vox for all the scoop.

The Summer Scene.

By Julie Klein

The best part of my summer was during the week of Aug. 15th, when I attended the Civitan Youth Seminar at Albion College in Albion, Michigan. The Cedar Rapids Civitan Club paid all expenses for six students from Marion and Cedar Rapids.

There were approximately 300 kids there from seven different states. We all stayed in the dormitories and each day we had lectures and discussions on such things as discrimination, prejudice, pollution, and our political system. We also heard Dr. Nicholas Nyaradi, originally from Hungary, speak on "Free Enterprise or Disaster."

Although we were completely on our own and were not told we had to attend the lectures, everyone still showed up because the speakers and discussions were so good.

At the seminar everything I did was fun, even the learning. For recreation we had swimming, canoeing, tennis, pool tables, ping pong tables, TV, the college store, etc. During the seminar we saw a play, had a talent show and a dance.

This one week of my life was really a rewarding experience in more ways than one. It was really great to meet so many different kids my own age and to learn of their experiences and listen to their views on different issues.

I learned very much and had a really great time, so I would like to encourage anyone who can, to apply next spring, because I know you would benefit from it and have a really great time!

By John Winistorfer

This summer I spent three weeks participating in a workshop at Willard University, which is located in New Orleans, La. While at the workshop we discussed trends in education, and had a good deal of cultural interchange.

Fifty students from all parts of the U.S. attended the workshop, and proved to be a very interesting group.

The highlight of the program was our work with elementary children. We worked for a week and a half with "slow" learners who were enrolled in a summer program. Many of these children were from deprived home conditions.

The workshop provided me with the opportunity to live and work with students from all parts of the country. I was exposed to college live, and was able to see many different attitudes and points of view.

All in all, I had a great time.

By Jane Risk

My summer, instead of being dull, as usual, was the best of my life. I was chosen to attend a nation-wide seminar in Dallas, Texas, sponsored by the National Gifted Student Foundation.

There at Southern Methodist University (SMU) I spent six weeks living on campus along with almost 100 other ninth graders participating in the program's first year of operation.

We spent six hours a day in classes of discussion and debate nature where our opinions were what mattered most.

Our courses were in Science, History, Literature, Philosophy, Political Science and Economics and covered a wide range of topics.

Our weekend trips were, in my opinion, the best part. We took trips to historic and wonderful parts of Texas: Austin, with L.B. J. land and library, as well as the state capitol; Arlington where Six Flags is located; San Antonio where we toured Trinity University, the Lackland Air Force Base, and the Alamo; Houston, including Rice University, the Astrodome, and the Manned Space Center for the Apollo 15 Splashdown.

All in all, the places I went, things I did, and people I met made this summer the best of my life, worth remembering forever.

By Jill Hunt

I left June 30 and met the other teenage Experimenters in San Antonio. We took a train to Oaxtepec for orientation and then my group of 14 stayed in Mexico City for a week.

Soon the main part of our trip, our stay with a family in Durango, began. My family consisted of a mother, an older brother, a younger sister, and a maid.

While in Durango, we attended classes in weaving, ceramics, folk dancing and Spanish. After a month with our families we said goodbye and began a little more than a week of traveling.

In this time we saw Morelia, Guanajuato, Pztcnaro, Urapan, Delores Hidalgo, and San Miguel de Allende, six of the most important cities in this area. Then we returned to Mexico City for three days before we all said goodbye and returned home.

My month with a Mexican family helped me to see that another culture, although differing from ours in many ways, can be just as right for their way of life as ours is for us. I will always identify with my family and friends in Durango and thus with Mexico itself.

By Nancy Chihak

I was extremely happy to be a part of the three-week workshop on Critical Thinking held at the National College of Education in Evanston, Illinois.

Kids from across the nation attended the workshop from Aug. 1-21. It was hard to part from the friends we had made.

Everyone had Critical Thinking, Speaking and Tutoring as classes. I also had Media Specialists, Drawing, creative writing, 4-5 Education and Mathematics. Different Music courses, English, Special-Education, Art, and Photography were offered. Night activities included two plays, a boat ride on Michigan, the Carpenters, a day at Chicago, and other activities.

Besides learning in class, I learned many things about people that we cannot learn personally in Marion. But our small school compares quite well against large schools with problems.

By Debi Snyder

I spent the summer in Australia as an AFS foreign exchange student. I spent ten week there, stepping on to Aussie ground on June 18 and leaving on Aug. 25.

I lived with a family in Brisbane, Queensland and acquired four sisters! I attended a private girls school, Somerville House, where I wore a uniform, complete with gloves, hat, and schoolbag!

I saw much of the beautiful state of Queensland and stayed one glorious week at Surfers Paradise on the Gold Coast.

At the end of the trip the 40 Americans that were in Australia met in Melbourne for a short week's "vacation" before departing for home. It was a fantastic and exciting experience; something that will stay with me forever. I strongly urge all of you to apply for this wonderful program, AFS.

Your Aussie Classmate,
Debi Snyder

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Diez Dias

Aug. 4, 1971, 11:05 por la noche found 14 Marion area youth alighting from the plane that had just landed at Mexico City's International Airport. They were looking forward to 10 days of sight-seeing, shopping and fun! Most of them found it.

Some of the places visited by the students included: Cuernavaca, Oaxtepec, Xochimilco, Alameda and Chapultepec Parks, Aztec ruins, Pyramids of Teotihuacan, Zocalo, Plaza of the Three Cultures, the Metro station, Shrine of Guadalupe, and the University of Mexico. They attended La Fiesta Brava (the bullfight) and the Bellas-Artes Ballet Folklorico. One of the students commented on the tours. "I about loved it. I didn't take Spanish or learn about the stuff we saw but I enjoyed it. The bullfight was the best. I about loved it."

The students became acquainted with some of the Mexican youth and a little bit of extra-curricular learning took place. One girl said she'd "... heard before that the 'American Way' is not always the best and I believed it. But my experiences in Mexico opened my eyes even more to that fact." One of the youngest on the trip, Janet Gallagher expressed an opinion common to many. "People are the same everywhere, they just learn different ways. That's what makes them different. Undemeath, they're really just the same."

Those going were: Laurie Sandry, Peg Bowen, Kathy Power, Vicki Farrington, Judy Grishaber, Dee Feddem, Barb Maier, Sue Mangold, Janet Gallagher, Adrienne Ford, Debbie Vinson, LuAnn Culbertson, Jeff Preston and Jim DeLong, a Linn-Mar student.

Kathe and Gary Goldstein were kind enough to consent to be chaperones and they considered it a success. "I would say it was an excellent summer because everyone could use the Spanish they had supposedly learned in class and we were not only able to use it in the restaurants but with young people also, in conversation."

Several students are making plans for individual vacations in Mexico for NEXT YEAR!

By Peg Bowen

AFS Exchange Student Visits Us From Italy

If you see a good-looking brunette senior at M.H.S. this year, welcome him! It is Massimo Revelli, our AFS exchange student, from Bressanone, Italy. Talk slowly, though, because his English is about three weeks old!

Massimo prefers to be called Max by his American friends. He arrived (after a weary bus trip) at the Fred Wades on August 6, 1971.

Max turned eighteen on July 25, and has a brother twenty-three. Max comes from a five-year school where he attends six days a week from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Max will be adjusting to a new schedule as well as eating lunch at school.

His interests (besides girls) include snow skiing, all sports (which are separate from school) and music. He informed me that he enjoys Grand Funk, among other popular groups which we enjoy.

Max will be studying Physics, College Prep, Social Problems, and Drafting I. It can be a happy and memorable year for Max and everyone involved, if you help! Good luck and welcome!

How did they answer the teacher's question?

Freshman: "I don't know."
Sophomore: "I'm not Prepared."
Junior: "I don't remember."
Senior: "I don't believe I can add anything to what has already been said."

The brains behind the "Voice (the VOX).

We Would Like To Introduce. . . .



JULIE KLEIN



PEGGY BOWEN



DAN BEGLEY



JANA GRADY



LORNA KUCERA

What Is Your Impression Of First Day of School?

Mike Wood-I wanted to start and get the last year over, but I didn't want to come.
 Claudia Schorle-It's a lot bigger and harder to find your way around.
 Kim Reynolds-Hectic!
 Debbie Knoll-I like it.
 Jill Luedtke-It's different, no steps.
 Gary Hoag-. . . Overpopulation in English III. I expect that it will definitely be a problem.
 Mrs. Pantini-My feet are tired. Classes are fine. I know it won't last. Today I could've dropped a pin, but I guess they just don't know each other.
 Valerie Paul-You're scared out of your wits. All the kids barrelling down the hall.
 Brenda Hicks-Oh, it's just confusing.
 Diane Ward-The traffic was very moving.
 Connie Larson-Too many in my lunch

hour.
 Nancy Sufficool-I thought it was about average, rotten average.

September

By Jana Grady
 Summer sings its last sweet refrain, and September song is in the air. September: a time of endings. Of last summer corn and tomatoes, the last frothy foliage. September: a time of beginnings. Beginning football games and brisk bike rides. The beginning of my last high school year and everyone else's school year. A chance to make new friends and to reach out to those around you.
 September: a chance to share each other's nostalgia in a season of every hue. September: me reaching out to you.
 Remember, this is the first day of the rest of your life. Think about it.

What's Your Hang-Up?

If you're a student and your hang-up is teachers, or if you're a teacher and your hang-up is students, this is for you.
 Last spring, a large majority of the faculty and a few concerned students met to discuss the possibility of a student-faculty rap session. They thought the idea merited consideration; and before school resumed they met again to finalize plans.

Tuesday, September 14, at 3:30 p.m., has been set aside as a starting point for this undertaking. It is open to any and all students and faculty. The basic purpose is to improve communications between students and their instructors. An ounce of understanding is worth a pound of detention.

Time slots for the get-togethers will alternate between before-school hours, after-school hours and evening hours in the hope that a more varied time schedule will permit a larger number of interested persons to attend, if only one in every three meetings.

The format is open exchange of ideas, discussion leaders being volunteers from both faculty and student body. The first topic is tentatively 'Classroom Discipline', purposely a broad topic to insure flexibility of discussion.

The first meeting time, again, is Tuesday, September 14 at 3:30. Bring a friend, or better yet, come alone and make a friend.

VOX Welcomes All Students Back to School

Well, it looks like its the beginning of another school year. Some are happy to be back in school and others are anxiously waiting for graduation or at least for summer vacation again.

We would like to welcome everyone back to school including the freshmen, and the new students.

The Vox Staff wishes you all the best of luck and a good year.

Julie Klein and
 Peg Bowen



Summer Baseball

By Dan Begley
 The summer baseball program was a disappointing season for the Indians, who finished the year fifth in the conference with a 5-9 record. Despite championships of 1969 and 1970, Marion couldn't get above the 500 mark during the season.

Football Season Kicks Off This Friday

The kickoff day for the Marion football season is September 10. Thirteen returning lettermen will show how well they have prepared this summer, with the opening game against Benton Community.

No one has to be reminded of the fact that this year's seniors won the Wamac Conference two years ago, and will attempt the same feat this season.

All-in-all, people of Marion, keep

VOX Needs YOU. . .

And two or three of your friends. If you'd be interested in working on the staff, please fill out the application form below and turn it into Mrs. Studtmann. There are openings for Junior Editors (juniors who are willing to learn the editing job so they can run the paper next year) and a Clubs Editor.

And our editors need WRITERS, WRITERS, WRITERS to help make this year's VOX a success. Anyone can READ a paper. It takes the kind of talent YOU have to WRITE one.

Your name _____

Grade _____

Previous experience _____

I am interested in being a

- ☐ Junior editor
- ☐ Clubs editor
- ☐ Features writer
- ☐ News writer
- ☐ Clubs writer
- ☐ Sports writer
- ☐ Photographer
- ☐ Typist

The meeting day is the first Tuesday of each month at 3:30. Any conflicts?

Speech Club Plans A Busy Winter to Follow Up Summer

Speech club has planned a busy winter to follow up a busy summer. Several students returned from workshops brimming over with new-found knowledge that they could possibly channel into aiding new members over the first rough spots.

Gary Hoag, who has proved himself twice at state speech contests, has done it again at the University of Iowa. He placed third in both extemporaneous speaking and original oratory at a four week workshop in speech, debate and drama. Anita Jones and Debbie Melchers participated in the play "The Serpent" at the same workshop.

Scattergood School in West Branch opened its doors to Julie Clark during a drama study program. Bob Sixta, Kathy Williamson and Nancy Chihak went to Evanston, Illinois for a three week workshop in critical thinking.

During the final days of summer MHS debate students were already to be found pouring over plans for this year's topic, "Resolved: that the jury system in the United States should be significantly changed." If it is something you've long had an opinion on, you might like to try your hand at it. Four freshmen have already been brave

your eyes open this year! Football this season is going places.

Girls' Sports Finally Arrive On Marion Scene

Girls' sports have finally arrived at Marion High School for a little while, at least. Everyone will have to get used to the uneasiness with which the girls participate in these sports.

Will the fans know why something was good or not, or will the audience remain silent for failure of knowing the rules? In the next few years many people have many things to learn about Girls' sports, especially the people of Marion.

BE NONCHALANT

- when you find you have a runner in both nylons and it's still first period.
- when you call your date by somebody else's name.
- when at the end of a drive-in movie you see your parents parked next to you.

Seniors were made for something great Juniors for something small We haven't figured out why Freshmen and sophomores Were made at all.

For Crash-Dieters: If you feel dog tired at night, it may be because you growled all day.

VOX Welcomes New Teachers

This year we have three new teachers, a study hall monitor, and a new secretary in the office. Mrs. Maureen Mentzer is teaching Home Economics, Otis Roby is in American Studies department, and James Bates is teaching English I and II.

The Study Hall supervisor is Mrs. Joyce Hutchins and the new secretary in the office is Mrs. Delores Lawrence.

VOX welcomes all of you.



"NEXT WEEK WE START AGITATING FOR WHITE BOARDS AND BLACK CHALK."