

TEACHER FEATURE: Three Interviews

By Joyce Suchsland

I promised you in the first issue of the VOX that I would pick up some more info about our new faculty members. I present to you three more members of the clan.

Lynn X. Lindaman (who bribed me with a five dollar bill not to publish his middle name) was born and raised in Charles City, which is in the northeast part of the state.

He graduated from the University of Iowa with a B.A. in math, a B.S. in general science, and was certified as a teacher, coach, and athletic trainer.

While going to college, he worked with the Hawkeyes in all fields of athletics.

Lindaman really likes to hunt, but he can't because of his leg. He'd also like to participate in sports, but once again he can't because of his leg.

This fun-loving bachelor coached J.V. basketball and freshman football. The freshmen football team was undefeated this year, and after their last game, they proudly carried Lindaman off the field. This action was a little rough on somebody who had his leg broken three times in the past two years. In that mo-

ment of glory, Lindaman's leg cracked for the fourth time.

Look on the bright side of things, your football team could have dropped you on your head.

Ernest Charles Strauss was brought up in Richardson County, Nebraska. He lived on a farm until he was seven years old. Strauss graduated from Fall City High School with 103 other students. That was the largest graduating class in the high school's history. His high school football team took eight straight championships. He played right halfback and right end on his team.

Strauss went to college at Peru State in Nebraska. He wanted to become a vet, but times were hard in the 1930's, and he couldn't afford it.

Strauss is a man of mixed tastes. He loves pets, and used to keep Siamese cats and hunting dogs. He likes to hunt, but can't find the time to do so. He also enjoys golfing, motorcycling, and music. His preference in music is country western, but he enjoys some rock for a change of pace.



MRS. BOBBIE KLOPP

Besides being a new teacher Bobbie Klopp is the sponsor of Speech club and Thespians. She was born and raised in South Texas, and once again, I got a five dollar tip for not printing her home town's name. From there, she graduated from Centenary College in Shreveport, La.

This little Southern belle likes to travel read and go camping. In fact, she and her husband went camping on their honeymoon. "It was very interesting," she



Mr. Lynn Lindaman (left) and Mr. Ernest Strauss.

said with a gleam in her eye.

Speaking of her husband, he calls her "Pint-size" as a nickname.

Mrs. Klopp is planning a touring readers theater for this spring, so if you're interested, let her know. She'll be glad ya'll came.



THE VOX

Marion High School

WHAT DAY IS IT?

By Wendy Wolmutter

Picture this. . . . You're aimlessly wandering down the hall toward your second period class, when - POW!! You enter and the room is empty except for two geniuses working on a lab in the back.

"What's happened?" you scream. "Where is everybody? Did someone drop a bomb?" "You imbecile!" the two retorted, "It's day two!"

Panic-stricken, you run down the hall toward your third period class, the bell rings, and you find yourself desperately begging the teacher not to send you to the office for a pass. . .

Does this sound like you? Unfortunately, it's happened to most of us on one day or another, with the seven period day scheduling. For the most part, the students really like it. Have you ever heard anyone say, "I love day four when I get out of ____!" That seems to be the best advantage of the system. Even an occasional teacher will be heard to comment, "If I had to put up with that sixth period class today, I'd go crazy!"

Originally, the seven period day was designed to do the following:

- 1). Put band in the school day.
- 2). Add variety to each school day
- 3). Enable students to receive more individual help from their teachers.
- 4). Enable students to participate in the work experience program, where they can go outside the school with a job and learn a skill or a trade.

From an operational standpoint, it seems to be working well and gives students more time to participate in extra-curricular activities by having more study time during the day.

The question now is, "are the students benefiting from the schedule and using their time to the best advantage?" During the course of a year, when a student is taking an every-day class, he misses approximately 27 class periods. This means the teachers must assign more homework and cram more into an hour in order to break even. Perhaps you never thought of it that way. Nevertheless, it's true, especially in science and semester courses.

Putting aside these few seemingly minor disadvantages, the seven period day is a welcome change for both teachers and students, and hopefully we'll be able to keep it.



M.H.S. Fall Play Is Reviewed

By Dave Nash

After seven long, hard weeks of practice, the annual M.H.S. Fall Play turned out to be a huge success.

Under the skillful direction of Mrs. Klopp the actors and stage crew put together a performance which lauded many favorable comments.

"The Imaginary Invalid," by the French playwright, Moliere, was the title of this rather technical, light-hearted farce about physicians.

Argon (Rick Novey) was the foolish, but lovable hyperchondriac who is totally infatuated with his doctors. Dr. Diaforus (Tom Parman), and his dimwitted son, Thomas (Brad Ciha), collaborate with Argon for the marriage of Argon's eldest daughter, Angelica (Kim Flugga), to Thomas.

Argon's clever and witty young maid, Toinette (Tammy Cemej), and Beralde (Dave Nash), Argon's younger brother, conspire to thwart the wedding plans. Situations are complicated with Beline (Diane Morrow), Argon's wife, and Bonnefoy (Perry Andersen), her lawyer, put heads together to obtain all of Argon's money. Little Louise (Joan Driscoll), Argon's youngest daughter, Cleante (Al Buwalda), Angelica's true lover and Dr. Purgon (Curt McMillan), add salt to Argon's wounds as they confound the old fellow further.

The production, given on Friday night, November 15 and Saturday night, November 16, was attended by very receptive audiences.

The play crew wishes to thank all of the people who made the work load lighter by the devotion of their time and effort.

ANGELS SING

By Joyce Suchsland

The Christmas Vesper service will be held on Dec. 8 at 7:30 in the high school auditorium. The main theme of this year's Vesper service is a feeling of up-beat, joyous holiday warmth and cheer. Many aspects of previous Vesper services have been changed, and yet the music is traditionally seasonal. A few of the songs will be: Jazz Gloria, December Child, Kyrie from Haydn's "Lord Nelson Mass", and The Carol of the Shepherds.

All of the Marion vocal groups will be performing. The first half of the program will be performed by the girl's and boy's glee clubs and the mixed chorus.

Then there will be a few short selections by the MHS concert band.

This year there will also be music during intermission by the swing choir, "The Pat-terns".

The second half of the program will have the special choir singing. This part includes a guest conductor, Richard O. Hoffman of Mt. Mercy College. He will be directing the special choir in one of his compositions, "Celebration."

This vesper service promises to be an unusual, yet unique performance. Some songs will feature today's sound. It is being directed by Miss Russell.

NICKNAMES

By Christy Boots

How well do you know the "nick-names" of the people around you? While wandering through the hall, you often hear odd names floating around. See how many of these "nicknames" you can match up with the persons real names.

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| 1. Dopey | ___ Mr. Bates |
| 2. Smokey | ___ Dean Bliss |
| 3. Cupie Doll | ___ Mr. Boquist |
| 4. Ranger ---- | ___ Darlene Collins |
| 5. Rhino | ___ Mike Crilley |
| 6. Porky | ___ Ron Crouse |
| 7. Rusty | ___ Mike Grady |
| 8. Munch (short) | ___ Scott Henderson |
| 9. Munch (normal?) | ___ Mrs. Hutchins |
| 10. Hot Hips | ___ Mr. Madison |
| 11. Bear | ___ Mike Morgan |
| 12. Emmett | ___ Beth Mork |
| 13. Chester | ___ Mr. Pickering |
| 14. Stump | ___ Jane Risk |
| 15. Chongo | ___ Mr. Risk |
| 16. Pick | ___ Jim Roth |
| 17. Bo | ___ Miss Russell |
| 18. Mom | ___ Mike Ryan |
| 19. Shady | ___ Tom Stalkfleet |
| 20. Goose | ___ Mr. Skilling |
| 21. Bun | ___ Neil Sumner |
| 22. Charlie Tuna | ___ Patti Weber |
| 23. Toenail | ___ Debbie Wood |
| 24. Sleazy | ___ Mickie Mead |
| 25. Bubba | |
| 26. Uncle Jerry | |
| 27. Mouth | |

GUESS WHO!

FIRST DEADLINE SET FOR QUILL

Quill: Christmas vacation is the first deadline for the first 16 pages of the yearbook. Headaches are becoming more frequent as the staff members who are involved in this signature rush to meet deadline time.

THURNESS LEADS INDIANS



COACH BOB THURNESS

By Steve Herreid

First-year Marion head football coach Bob Thurness has found plenty of reasons to be happy with his team's performance in the 1974 season.

Thurness, who guided the Marion grid-ers to a tie for second place in the Wamac conference and a 5-4 overall record, paid several compliments to his 28-man squad in a recent interview.

"In terms of attitude, this is one of the top teams I have ever had the privilege of coaching," he said. "They were tremendous. A pleasure to coach, and a pleasure to be around."

Talen was not in short supply either as the Indian faithful discovered when the team swept its last four games, the finale a stunning 29-12 upset of Vinton. Thurness felt that several improvements accounted for this.

"Number one, we played better defense during the last half of the season. We gave up yardage to a couple ball clubs, but we made the critical defensive plays. We controlled the football--we had quite an offensive team! We stopped throwing interceptions and fumbling the ball as well.

"This was one of the best years I have ever seen as far as football teams in the Wamac conference. It was a banner year!

"But I really feel we should have had more all-conference selections. After all, we finished in a tie for second and still had only three young men on the team."

Coach Thurness then proceeded to describe the all-loop trio of Gary Fickel, Rich LeHew and Brian Mohwinkle.

"Fick has done a real fine job for us this year at the quarterback position. He has given us leadership, and moved the football team well.

"LeHew was a unanimous choice at offensive tackle, although he went both ways. He opened some huge holes on the right side of the line. He's a steady performer."

"Mohwinkle spearheaded our defense all year by his aggressive play at linebacker. He always seemed to be around the football.

"Don't forget that the other juniors and seniors were some might fine athletes as well. The whole team knows the contribution they made!"

On his philosophy of football, Thurness commented, "I believe in three things: Morale, discipline and condition, with a great deal of participation. Playing good defense and limiting our opponents to a low number of yards is important, and we've got to improve in this area to be contenders in the Wamac."

Thurness was understandably pleased with the sophomore and freshman teams, but here he voiced a note of caution.

"Past records mean nothing," he warned. "In order to stay there depends proportionally on the amount of work, effort attitude, and sacrifice one is willing to give. If these young men are willing to put in the work to attain success, Marion football should remain strong during the coming years."

Thurness prepped at West Liberty high school, where he played center and quarterback on the football team and won 10 letters in four sports. At Coe college he played football and baseball and was on the track team. He is in his 10th year of coaching, and has directed conference champions in four different sports: football, wrestling, track and cross country.

"I enjoy coaching them all, but football is my first love," he admitted. His grid won-loss record is 54-25-1.

SPEECH CLUB IS ON THE MOVE!

Speech club is on the move again. Four students from Marion recently traveled to the All-Iowa Colloquy in Iowa City. Two of the four, Dan Wickincamp and Lynn Thomas made it to the finals. November is the date the speech club will travel to Davenport West High School for their first large contest. On December 14, several students will be traveling to Clinton for another speech contest.

INDIAN GIRLS TOP IN METRO

By Denise Hunt

The Varsity girl's basketball team has started their season with a bang and now hold a 4-0 record. After 2 weeks of practice, they faced their first opposition, Prairie, on November 8. In front of a large crowd, they beat them, 59-45.

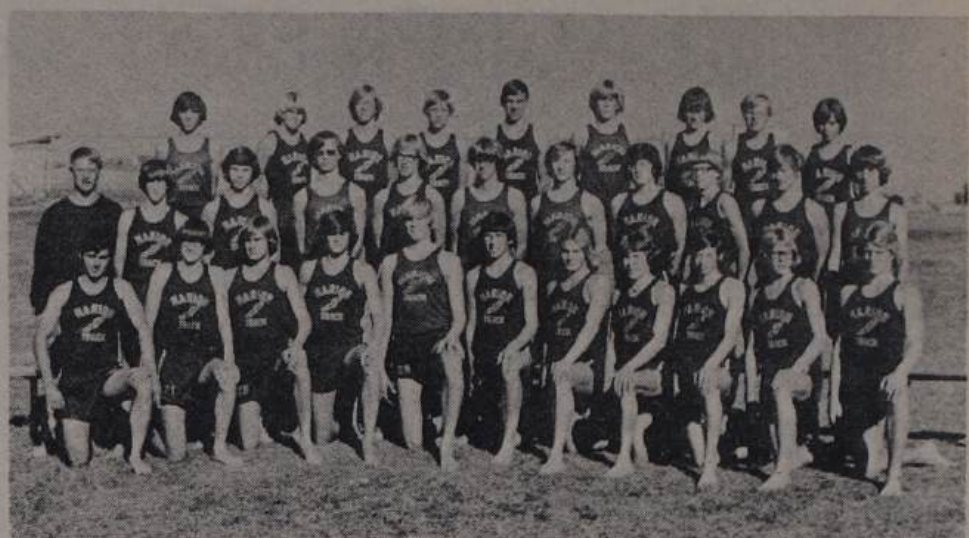
The Indians next entered the Metro Tournament and on Nov. 14 played Regis first round. The score was 102-39, the highest scoring game the Indians have ever had, and it placed them in the semi-final competition. Kennedy had also won and was Marion's next opponent. The Indians again were victorious, 60-47. The game was for the championship on Nov. 16 was against Prairie. They had some problems in the first half, but ended up beating Prairie, 83-63, thus becoming Metro champs.

Coach Pantini, the Varsity coach, had this to say about his girls and this season. "We've gotten ourselves off to a real

fine start. We must keep our feet on the ground and our heads out of the clouds and continue to work hard. We are pleased to be Metro champs, but we have a whole season in front of us and so many things left to accomplish. I'm sure we will work hard to make these accomplishments."

The Junior Varsity and Freshman teams have also been busy. The J.V. team, which is coached by Mrs. Hammel, was victorious in their first and only game so far. They defeated Prairie by a score of 42-20.

The freshman team, which consists of an A and a B squad, is coached by Miss Folkman. In their first game on Nov. 11 against Anamosa, the A squad was defeated 27-40, but the B squad was victorious, 36-31. The story was the same for the Manchester game on Nov. 16. The B squad again won, 32-13, while the A squad came up on the short end, 25-31.



1974 CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM A WINNER!!

The winter sports program at MHS is in full swing. The wrestling squads and basketball teams have been pushing hard in practice. Check the following schedules and support all of the events this winter:

WRESTLING VARSITY & JR. VARSITY
 Fri., Nov. 22--C.R. LaSalle (T)
 Sat., Nov. 30--Manchester Inv. (T)
 Thurs., Dec. 5--C.R. Regis 9th + JV (H)
 Sat., Dec. 7--Marion Frosh Inv. (H)
 Tues., Dec. 10--* Monticello (T)
 Sat., Dec. 14--Bettendorf Inv. (T)
 Marion F-S Inv. (H)
 Tues., Dec. 17--*Vinton (H)
 Fri., Dec. 20--*Maquoketa (T)
 Sat., Jan. 4--Marion JV Inv (H)
 Sat., Jan. 11--Linn-Mar Inv (H)
 Vinton Frosh Inv (T)
 Tues., Jan. 14--CR Prairie (T)
 Fri., Jan. 17--*Manchester (T)
 Tues., Jan. 21--*Tipton (H)
 Sat., Jan. 25--Wamac meet (Tipton)
 Tues., Jan. 28--CR Kennedy (T)
 Sat., Feb. 1--*Independence (H)
 Tues., Feb. 4--Linn-Mar (H)
 Fri., Feb. 7--*Anamosa (H)
 Sat., Feb. 15--AAA Sectional

BOYS BASKETBALL
 Varsity & Sophomore
 Tues., Dec. 3--Linn Mar (T)
 Fri., Dec. 6--Vinton (T)
 Fri., Dec. 13--Independence (H)
 Tues., Dec. 17--CR Prairie (T)
 Fri., Dec. 20--Tipton (H)
 Fri., Jan. 10--Maquoketa (H)
 Sat., Jan. 11--Anamosa (T)
 Tues., Jan. 14--CR Prairie (H)
 Tues., Jan. 21--Tipton (T)
 Fri., Jan. 24--Monticello (T)
 Fri., Jan. 31--Vinton (H)
 Fri., Feb. 7--Maquoketa (T)
 Tues., Feb. 11--Linn-Mar (H)
 Fri., Feb. 14--Anamosa (H)
 Fri., Feb. 21--Manchester (T)
 Tues., Feb. 25--Independence (T)
 Fri., Feb. 28--Monticello (H)

GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Varsity & Jr. Varsity
 Fri., Nov. 8--CR Prairie (H)
 Th-Sat, Nov. 14-16--Metro Touma-ment
 Tues., Nov. 19--Manchester (H)
 Fri., Nov. 29--Vinton (T)
 Tues., Nov. 26--Tipton (T)
 Tues., Dec. 3--Maquoketa (H)
 Sat., Dec. 7--Independence (H)
 Sat., Dec. 14--Anamosa (T)
 Thurs., Dec. 19--Linn-Mar (H)
 Fri., Jan. 3--Maquoketa (T)
 Sat., Jan. 11--Vinton (H)
 Thurs., Jan. 16--Independence (T)
 Mon., Jan. 20--Tipton (H)
 Sat., Jan. 25--Monticello (H)
 Tues., Jan. 28--Anamosa (H)
 Fri., Jan. 31--Manchester (T)
 Tues., Feb. 4--CR Prairie (T)
 Sat., Feb. 8--Monticello (T)
 Thurs., Feb. 13--Linn-Mar (T)

A DREAM COME TRUE

Ending 8-0 for the season is every team's dream. For this year's Freshman football it came true. Taking on some pretty tough opposition throughout the season, the ninth graders showed traditional Indian spirit, spirit found in all athletic events at MHS. There were a few "close calls", such as the Linn-Mar and Regis games, but the young Indians didn't quit.

Coaches Messerli and Lindman were very pleased with the entire squad. They felt the freshman showed great improvement and development, especially from mid-season on up to the last game against Regis.

Important factors this year were player attitudes and team spirit. Or the 35 who came out in the fall, 33 remain on the roster for the final win.

The sophomore team next year should find 30 or more tough, eager football players ready to carry on a winning tradition.

3RD IN STATE

By Steve Herreid

Capping the season for the Marion cross-country team was the state meet held at Ames October 19. And once again the Indians finished highly, as they took third place behind Davenport Assumption and Charles City. Assumption had 56 points to 75 for Charles City and 76 for Marion.

John Edwards paced the local runners with a ninth-place finish in 10:16, while Rick Floyd was 13th, Mike McElree 25th, Scott Hansen 29th and Tim Carter 36th.

Thus, coach Roger Hanson's chargers have completed another impressive season, and their accomplishments should be appreciated by all Marion students.

SOPH-FB 9-0

By Tim Polk

A drought of over 20 years' length at Marion is finally over, and as far as the Marion sophomores are concerned it couldn't have come to a happier ending.

Twenty-six years have passed since the last undefeated sophomore football team, until this year's Indian grid-ers repeated the perfect performance, winning an undisputed Wamac Conference championship along the way. Capped by a 50-0 manhandling of the Vinton Vikings in the last game, the entire season has been and will be the source of countless memories for the sophomore Indians.

Some remember learning the simple things, the basics of football that even the greatest teams are built on. "The thing I'll remember most from this season," tackle Mike Ormess recalls, searching through countless hours of practice for just the right recollection, "is, 'Don't stop until you hear the whistle.' Ormess split his time between offensive tackle and placekicker for the sophomores. He kicked four straight extra point conversions in the Vinton game, which he called "the best team effort".

Others remember brief moments of personal satisfaction, spots of individual glory that no amount of time can erase. Like Mike Morgan's fumble return for a touchdown in the 35-0 victory over Anamosa. "The ball bounced into my hands. I just picked it up and started truckin' for the goal," Morgan says, retelling the story to anyone who'll listen. "The (Anamosa) guy caught me at the two but I fell into the end zone." It was just a case of being in the right place at the right time, but for an offensive center and part-time defensive end it was more like a dream come true.

Another Indian soph who was in the right place, etc. was Tony Carter in the fourth quarter of the Vinton game. Usually a reserve running back and defensive half-back, Carter got a chance to prove himself on defense with the Vikings moving into Indian territory at midfield. Wasting little time, on his second play from scrimmage Carter leaped high in the air to make the interception of a Vinton pass, and stop the Vikings' last scoring threat. To some it was just a meaningless turnover late in a lop-sided game; to Tony Carter it was payment in full for a season of frustration.

The past season may mean something different to each Marion sophomore, but to football at Marion it means the next few years are going to be very promising.



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