

# Three New Teachers Arrive At MHS

By Julie Tietjen and Pat Lembke

## Danna Beckett

Hay una profesora nueva de espanol. Her name is Danna Beckett, and she hails from Key West, Florida. This is one well-traveled person, as her father was in the Air Force. She spent most of her younger years in Spain and Chile (which probably explains her affinity for Spanish).

Her alma mater is Iowa State, where she majored in Spanish and minored in education. This is her first job after graduating in February. Sometime in the future she plans on getting her master's degree from Colorado State.

When asked what she would do with a whole day of freedom, she answered with "be outdoors." Camping, canoeing, and playing the guitar are high on her list of "likes." It sounds like she has a lot to offer the students of Marion High.

## Evelin DeLancey

"Out of all the areas in art, I enjoy ceramics and sculpture most." It's probably not hard to figure out where his new teacher fits in. It's Evelin DeLancey, a new face in the art department. Born and raised in Manchester, Iowa, she has also lived in Florida, Connecticut, Virginia, and Illinois.

She was out of school for twenty-two years before she attended Mt. Mercy College and earned a double major in elementary education and art. Someday he would like to get her masters degree and perhaps work with children who have learning disabilities.

One of her favorite past times in square dancing, which she is also qualified to teach. Along with this she enjoys sewing, skating, traveling, and cycling.

Although she found it was difficult to begin teaching on a regular basis at semester, she has adjusted and now enjoys it.

## Ray Mensendike

Northern Illinois can now take credit for raising Big Foot! Ray Mensendike, the new Arts & Crafts, Metals II, and Auto Mechanics I teacher, hails from Hanover, Illinois. A comprehensive Industrial Education Major from the University of Wisconsin at Platteville, Big Foot plans to go back to school this summer for a coaching minor and would like to coach basketball in the future.

Although basketball is high on his list of priorities for hobbies, Mensendike comments that he is "very diversified".

"I like to bike ride, go skiing, swimming, etc. I have a camera and my own darkroom. I also go to church."

He adds, "I was always raised in town, but always worked on the farm."

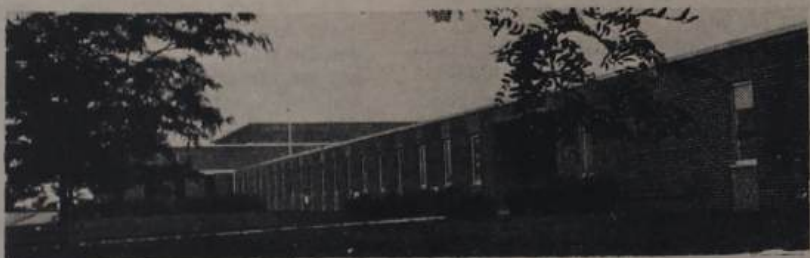
He has stalked through Colorado, Canada and Florida and he's not quite sure how far east he went. His long range plans are to return to Illinois and retire at age 55. It's pretty much left up for grabs when you'll find Big Foot stalking then.



Danna Beckett (left), and Evelin DeLancey



Ray Mensendike



## THE VOX

### Marion High School

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## MHS' Book Of World Records

1. Most restroom checkouts from study hall in school year; (95), Janet Nebel (previous record held by Scoop Shovel Scotty in 1913)
2. Most time spent in the hallway; (116 hrs, 15 min., 33 sec.), Sharon Kewley
3. Driver's Ed student driving on people's lawns; (21), Connie Panek
4. Most towels in one locker in one season; (122) Scott Hansen
5. Most homerooms missed; (49), Lynn Gagliardi and Dana Jeffery
6. Biggest spit wad; (3 lbs. 9 oz.) Greg Kahn
7. Most pink slips, Mike Jared
8. Most losses in ping pong (421.333 games), Steve Sands
9. Highest golf score in 9 holes-Female, Jean Hutchins, 101; Male-Randy Tietjen, 102
10. Mile Run; (2 days, 4 hrs., 15 min. 3.5 sec.) Scott Stevens
11. Most errors in an expository writing assignment; (999), Sandy Nielson
12. Watched the most boys in one school day, 330, Terry Milburn
13. Watched the most girls in one school day, 298, Bob Lane
14. Took the longest nap in one school day (through individualized reading into Jr. English; 65 min.), John Plummer

15. Most articles lost in one year (everything), Pat Lembke
16. Biggest foot, Ray Mensendike
17. Most food consumed during lunch without gaining weight, Mikey "Bubbles" Wheeler
18. Most steps taken without dribbling the ball (tie), Dave Nash, Tim Polk, Dave Mosbaugh
19. Most soft-spoken person in school (?) Bill Dolley
20. Most break-ups with the same girl during one sports season. (7 during basketball), Joe Johnson
21. Most pillows used in a drivers ed car (14), Dave Wolmutter
22. The loudest laugh heard from one classroom; 139 Decibels, Connie Bennett
23. The most Monte Python impressions done during one homeroom, Tim Polk
24. Most lousy calls in one night of intermural B.B., Greg Van Gorp
25. Messiest classroom (Room 42), Caroline Taylor and Cheerleaders
26. Most technical fouls received in one season (4), Dickie "T" Sloan
27. Most successful
27. Most unsuccessful jokes told in one sports banquet (18 Failures), Ron Mitchell
28. Most books read in one semester in Ind. Reading (24 books), Steve Ickes

## Tids

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## Bits

By Dana Jeffrey

Within four sturdy walls of brown, brown brick, there exists a world of knowledge and activity. This world is known as "Marion High School" (MHS)--a world of worlds.

MHS may not be THE high school, but it is OUR high school; its solid area, unlike that of the world known as "Earth," exists in a proportion of two to one to the unstable liquid mass.



The student body of MHS is composed of small islands with varying distances between them. Fortunately, all have similarities, but this chain of 825 individual islands is also a chain of 825 separate worlds.

The river of communication at MHS travels a rough and seemingly endless path before finally flowing into the vast sea of minds at MHS. Like any sea, the sea of minds at MHS is vastly deep in some areas and rather shallow in others. The deeper areas absorb the communications better than do these shallow areas whose absorption capacity is naturally less. Fortunately though, there is hope for the shallow areas because of the everyday weathering process which they undergo, thus making way for increased absorption capacity.

Probably the most important resource of the MHS world is its great intangible wealth of potential knowledge. Unfortunately, this knowledge must be broken down atom by atom until it can be carried into the atmosphere of the individual worlds of the students--an endless process.

MHS does not have to climb a mountain to reach its peak since it possesses in its own world, hundreds of peaks--peaks which are the summits of all the worlds within the world of Marion High School.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### "putdown is all in fun"

Dear Editor:

I am writing in reference to the article putting down the junior jocks. This person can not be a part of the junior sports system.

When we put someone down, it's all in fun and not to be superior than others.

If you would stop and look you would see it's not the jocks who run you over, it's the freshman boys who want to get in the lunch line first or play ping pong first.

Try to judge yourself and see where you fit in.

Don Walton

## Wanted-Alive

The VOX is looking for hard working, dependable, creative, intelligent, independent, brave, loyal, true-blue, "happy" writers (and typists, photographers, artists, and thinkers) for NEXT year! Contact Mr. Bates (Rm 16 or 25) if interested.

Next year the VOX newspaper will have a new fresh look--but we will need reliable help! Do you measure up? If so, join up!

## Looking For

### A Job?

in business, Teaching, Advertising, Photography, Public Relations and others. . . Working for the QUILL '77 will give you the experience you may need someday.

Applications for next year's staff may be picked up in the main office. Return completed forms to Miss Burke, Rm. 16 or Rm. 58. Staff positions are open at all levels. Experience not necessary, but willingness to work hard and meet deadlines is a MUST!

Apply now for:

QUILL Sales and Promotion  
Advertising  
Copy Writing  
Layouts  
Photography  
Reporting and Research

## Teenage Marriage-A View Point

By Nancy Beadle

The teenage marriage is a significant part of our social system today. Many young people are getting married right after high school and even while still in school. I feel that teenage marriage in 1976 is not only unwise but unnecessary.

Today we face the problems of a high cost of living, education, and employment. These problems are only doubled when two teens marry. Usually the kind of jobs that a teenager would have would not be sufficient for him to successfully support a wife and family. A teenage marriage usually makes it difficult for husband and wife to further their education by attending college. This in turn makes it hard for either the husband or wife to get a good job and pursue the career that they're interested in.

In the early 1900's these factors were not much of a problem. Few people, especially women, attended college. Instead, they settled down and got jobs right after school. Marriage at this time was not a hindrance to young people.

There is also the fact that people died much younger around the turn of the century. Therefore, people had to marry younger and raise their family at an earlier age. Life at this time did not have the stresses of modern living. Young people didn't have as many problems to contend with in their marriages.

I'm not sure if teenagers were any more mature in the early 1900's than they are now. I think one of the biggest problems in teenage marriage is simply the fact that the teenagers haven't lived long enough to know enough about life and its responsibilities. In George and Emily's day, this lack of maturity wasn't as great a problem because there was less stresses put on them by society.

The high divorce rate, especially among teenagers, indicates the young people are not ready for marriage. Besides, I think they should get out and sample life before they settle down for the rest of their lives.



# MHS Heritage

By Sharon Kewley

Come to Marion High School's Heritage Day, presented by the High School Bicentennial Committee. The Day will include a Hot Air Balloon, a potter's wheel with demonstrations, a weaver, a display of Bicentennial medals, the 13 original state flags of our new nation, sand painting, "American Dame" put on by the High School Speech Department, and a great bus tour of the 49 important places in Marion that shaped our town into what it is today.



"Tell him to sit down so we can see where the heck we are going!"

Come and enjoy the fine exhibits, the play, and all of the other things happening at Marion High that day. It promises to be a very exciting and informative day that will be enjoyed by both young and old alike. Remember the bus tour, and the hot air balloon, along with a lot of other fun! Be there for the most fun this year!

## Boys' Track

By Sharene Ottaway and Denise Jackson

At the Marion Invitational last Saturday the boys' track team placed 5th in the competition. They were also up against some tough opposition. Rick Floyd took 2nd place honors in the mile run, while Brian Donohoe placed 3rd in the high jump. Greg Stolze took 4th in the 100 yard dash and the 2 mile relay team took a 3rd place rating.

## Boys' Golf

The Marion golf team set a school record 151 in defeating Anamosa, Monticello, and Vinton on April 21. Brad Ciha was medalist with a 36. Mike Wheeler and Greg Bice both shot 38 and John Wicke and Dave Kincheloe fired 39's.

On April 17 the golf team finished second in the Washington Invitational. Mike Wheeler was Marion's Medalist with a 76. Other Marion scores were Greg Bice 81, John Wicke 82, Greg Digney 84 and Dave Kincheloe 87.

There are 29 boys out for golf this year and the team is beginning to make progress toward accomplishing their goals of winning WAMAC and placing in state. Good luck to the golfers the rest of the season and in tournament competition.

## Girls' Track

By Sharene Ottaway and Denise Jackson

Girls' Track opened April 6 with a win over Tipton, 93-50. On April 10 they traveled to Linn-Mar for the Lionette Relays. They finished 5th out of twelve competing teams. Although they didn't bring home any 1st's, they had quite a few 2nd's and 3rd's.

Last Saturday, at our own Marion Invitational, the girls jumped up and took 3rd place honors behind Oelwein and Washington, Iowa. Cindy Jones took 1st in the 100 meter hurdles, and Marion took 2nd in the Medley Relay and the Mile Relay. Michele Hall placed 3rd in the 100 yard dash, and the 440 yard relay team placed 3rd also.

The girls were up against some tough competition they will see later. Hopefully, we will do better against these teams later in the season. There are a lot of freshmen out to give strong support in the future along with the veteran upperclassmen.

## QUILL SHOW'S A SUCCESS

By Jan Voogd

Once upon a time, not long ago, on April 9, 1976, a pleasant Friday evening was spent at the high school raising money for the QUILL. If you were there, you would have seen the Annual QUILL Variety Show, which successfully raised \$207, under the direction of Ms. Burke and Mrs. Stack.

It ran smoothly, emceed by Dave Nash and Monte Pedersen, and included such diverse acts as the Freshmen Girls' Interlude, country music by Zack Miller, "The Side of Commercials You Never See", a "Boquist Sketch" by Edith Maxey & Company, and a "Monty Python Revue" with Tom Parman and Monte Pedersen, to mention a few. A long standing tradition was broken this year, though, as the Seniors neglected to have a Senior Girls' Chorus Line.

There were winners at this QUILL Show, as usual, and the judges were Tony Pantini, Jim Hulbert, Beth Myers, Ray Mendsdyke, Molley Costello and Robert Cain (Ms. Burke's boy friend). Money was given to the best acts-\$5 for third, \$10 for second, (in this case \$15 because of a tie) and \$15 for first.

Third place was given to Doug Spindler for a youthful rendition of "House of the Rising Sun" and "Kansas City".

Second place was shared with Pat Swearingen who sang "Jesse" and "One of these Days", and Tom Pedersen's "Monty Python Revue".

Finally, what you've been waiting for, first place prize was calmly (?) accepted by the Junior's "Bubble Gum Act", which starred Jean Hutchins, as the "original girl", Beth Edwards as the "slick chick", Cindy Von Ahsen as the jogger, Bob Lane and Delaine Grannon as the "tennis twosome", Jan Voogd as the "mommy", Kathy Lancaster as the little girl, and also Bub's Daddy Bubble Gum in the title role.

The results were a surprise, since usually first place goes to a show of talent, rather than a comedy skit, and also, it usually goes to Seniors rather than Juniors. Besides all that, this year's Junior class rarely wins anything having to do with a school activity.

At any rate, those were the winners and that was the Quill Show. If you weren't there you missed a good one; but, there's always next year--the Juniors will be back!

## Prom News

By Wendy Wolmutter

Each year the coming of spring means warmer weather, blooming flowers, spring fever and a time of important decision making (or frustration, whichever the case may be) concerning love, hate and the Junior-Senior Prom.

With the girls batting their eyelashes "ever-so-sweetly" and the guys frantically flipping through old pages of the QUILL searching for the "perfect date", the stage is being set for the grand finale--Saturday, May 8, 1976.

Prom will be held at Kirkwood College/Iowa Hall this year from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. to the sound of Iowa City's "Brass Tax". With a theme of "Dream Weaver" the Junior class is busily preparing decorations to enhance the already dreamy location, complete with large glass window walls overlooking Cedar Rapids, stars, and an angel hair entrance. (As a warning to those who plan to attend, please don't touch the angel hair since it is made of fiberglass and can severely cut your hands!)

For those who want to have pictures taken, Butch Walker will be on hand and for \$3.50, two 5x7 color photos can be purchased.

The Junior class is traditionally in charge and would like to encourage Juniors and Seniors to attend. While the dress is formal, both suits and tuxedos are perfectly acceptable for the guys, and information on tux rental can be obtained in the office.

## BAND PREPARES FOR STATE

The band has been very busy working the last couple of weeks preparing for state solo and ensemble contest and a concert. The concert was a success by all means and Mr. Bergman was proud of everyone. The band played four songs for the "Parade of Bands" concert Thursday, March 25 at Vernon Junior High.

The state solo and ensemble contest was at Anamosa High School Friday evening and all day Saturday. We composited a record of eight first division ratings, twenty second division ratings and seven third division ratings. Pat Wilson, Gary Campbell and Karen Williamson all received division one ratings on their solos.

The band is now preparing for State Concert Band contest which will be held at Washington High School, May 1.

# An Open Letter To Parents

"how to make your child a juvenile delinquent-an infallible formula"

Dear Parent,

If these instructions are carefully followed, we guarantee that your child will become delinquent and subsequently tried in the Juvenile Court. If found not guilty, we will be glad to return him to you for further training because we are certain to get him eventually. This formula is almost infallible:

1. Don't give your son any religious training. Just take care of his bodily needs.
2. In his presence don't be respectful of womanhood or of law and government. Belittle "dames" and the courts, the police, public officials, the school, the church, and business "it's all a racket!"
3. Never look for the real cause of untruthfulness in your child. You might discover he learned the art of lying from you.
4. Never try to answer the endless "Whys" and "Hows" of your children because it pays to be ignorant.
5. Be sure to humiliate your child in the presence of his friends. It adds to his respect for you.
6. If a conflict in wills arises between you and your child, don't try to reason with him. . . just knock him down. . . your father was boss of his home and the kids may as well learn the "hard" way.
7. Don't have any constructive discipline, and disagree with your wife or husband in the child's presence so that the child will learn on whom to depend.
8. Be sure to criticize departed guests in the presence of your child. He will respect your integrity.
9. Never give your child a reason for the commands laid upon him; let him guess. . . it's much easier.
10. Don't consider his educational and emotional development a parental responsibility. What are schools for?
11. Don't let him discuss his plans, problems, or pleasures with you. Just be too busy, so he won't develop affection or security or trust in you.
12. Don't open up your home to his companions; they will muss up the place. And don't be concerned where he spends his free time.
13. Don't teach your child to be tolerant toward people who differ from him in race, creed, or color. Teaching unfairness in others is an excellent method for training a bad citizen.
14. Don't give him an allowance, because he might learn how to save or spend. Don't ask him to give to community needs or services. . . Just "dig

down" yourself. That's the easiest way.

15. Don't be calm and poised. Be shocked and explode when he tells you he has

he has done something wrong. Then he won't confide in you the next time.

16. Don't make a pal of him. Go alone to your sports and entertainment. He would only be in the way.

17. Always buy your children the most expensive games and toys because if you get them something simple they might have to use their own imagination and who want that side of a child developed?

18. Never let your child forget that only for you he would not have a roof over his head. You will become a pain in the neck to your child, and he loves to hear about the many sacrifices you make for him.

19. Be sure and keep your home from being a center of cheer. Make it a dumping ground for your grouches. Your child will love your thoughtfulness.

20. Be sure to forget the promises you make to your child because he will forget the promises he makes to you later, and children have no sense of appreciation.

21. Always accuse your daughter of being promiscuous with every date she goes out with so that she will be impressed with the fact that you were a "good Woman" when you went out with the boys.

22. Always leave your car keys in the car. This encourages stealing, and since 98% of the car thefts are caused by this method, it proves that you are doing your part to encourage delinquency.

23. Never praise your child for his worthwhile effort because he might take advantage of your effort and try harder to please you in the future.

24. Never give your child any affection, and never, never tell him how much you love him. He will get the idea you are a softy and you wouldn't want him to get that impression of you.

25. If you forget all the above, just remember this one. Be a poor example yourself. You know, "Do as I say, it's no one's business what I do."

Thank you!  
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