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On The Road-France/Spain 2004

Day 1:

A group of 23 students, 4 adults, and 3 teachers were supposed to leave Cedar Rapids at 8:55 AM, but because of fog in Chicago, the plane sat on the runway for about 1 1/2 hours before leaving. Mary Soldner's passport was still in the mail, so she wasn't on the flight and planned to meet the group in Chicago if it came in the 9:00 AM overnight packet. After a tour of Chicago and meeting Mary at O'Hare, the group boarded their plane for their overnight flight to Paris.

Day 2:



The flame commemorates the gift of the Statue of Liberty to the US; it is also just above the tunnel where Princess Diana died.

Arriving in Paris at 9:20 AM (although only 2:20 AM Iowa time) the group met the tour director, Guillaume, and went to their hotel for room assignments and showers. There was some free time, so students looked for ATM machines and pay phones so they could let family members know they had arrived safely. The weather was chilly, windy and rainy for most of the stay in Paris, but that didn't stop them from doing lots of walking and sightseeing. The first day was a walking tour of Paris, including the Champs-Élysées and the Arc de Triomphe.

Day 3:

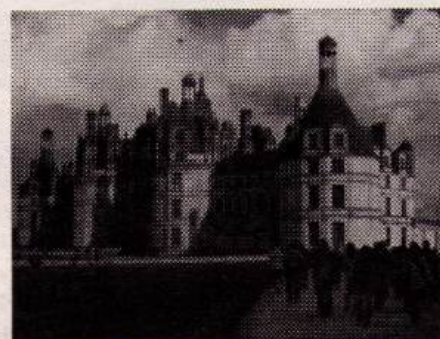


As a break for tired feet, the group toured Paris by bus and saw the most famous landmarks, starting with the Eiffel Tower. One interesting fact is that the tower is painted every seven years and it takes 60 tons of paint to do the job. The painters are given a course in mountaineering before starting the job. While the tower looks black in most photos, it is actually brown. Then it was on to the palace at Versailles, which was built by Louis XIV. After a tour, trip back to Paris, and dinner, it

was back to the Eiffel Tower and a cruise on the Seine. Students only made it to the first level of the tower - the top was closed because of wind.

Day 4:

For a change, the sun was shining,



During a trip to the Loire Valley, the group toured the Château Chambord.

ing, and the group left early for a trip into the countryside and seeing three different sights. First up was the cathedral at Chartres, followed by two different châteaux - at Chambord and Chenonceau. Chenonceau is interesting because it is built over a river.



The kitchen at Chenonceau still has the original utensils.

Chambord has over 400 rooms and a double spiral staircase designed by Leonardo da Vinci.

Day 5:

On their last day in Paris, the goal was to see the largest art museum in the world - the Louvre. If a person spent 15 minutes in front of every painting or sculpture, it would take 3 years to see it all. Since they only had 2 hours, the students went for some of the most famous articles - the painting of Mona Lisa, the statue of Venus de Milo, and some of the French crown jewels. That afternoon, some of the group went to Montmartre to see the Moulin Rouge and Sacre Couer while others had a walking tour - in the rain. Everyone was back at the hotel by 5:00 to catch the bus to the train station. They boarded the Talgo train for an overnight trip to Spain.



One of the highlights of their visit to the Louvre museum was seeing the Venus de Milo.

Day 6:

If they learned nothing else in Spain, the group learned that ham is important to Spain. After getting off the train, they were taken to a restaurant for breakfast - one of a chain of restaurants all over Madrid like McDonald's in the US. The restaurant? Museo del Jamon - the Museum of Ham. Then on to the hotel to get room assignments again and a walking tour of Madrid. In the afternoon, there was a visit to another great art museum, the Prado. Of course, among everything, there was time for souvenir shopping.

Day 7:

The schedule for the day had to change because of world events. Two weeks after the bombing in Madrid,



At Parque Retiro, renting boats was fun for many group members. Mary Soldner, Emily Schroeder, K'lissa Tope, Brittany Mohling, Danny Hocken, Ryan Garman, Bill Law, Ms. Regennitter, Mrs. Clark, Emily Beadle, and Laura Stulken, took to their boats.

world leaders were in town for a memorial service, and most of the sights on the day's itinerary were closed. The group had free time for shopping and also for a visit to el Parque Retiro - a large park where many of the students rented boats and had rowing races. The first race was won by Mrs. Clark and Ms. Regennitter against the teams of Ryan Garman/Bill Law and Danny Hocken/Brittany Mohling. The teachers sat out the next race, which was won by the Hocken/Mohling team.

Day 8:

It was back on a bus the next day for a trip to Toledo, the original capital of Spain. Built high up, Toledo was originally a fortress. Niki Kiburz, Michael Schmitt, Drew Martin and Krisanne Ryther rest on one of Toledo's bridges.



which still had the remains of ancient castles, bridges, and walls. They saw the most important cathedral in Spain and the burial place of one of the most influential painters in Spanish history - el Greco. After returning to Madrid, it was off to the Reina Sofía Museo Nacional Centro de Arte - the Queen Sofía National Art Center. This museum was a favorite as it displayed more modern art. Students and teachers saw works of art by Dali, Picasso and Miró, among others. In the evening was one of the more memorable events - a flamenco evening.



Kailee Jordan and Kody Bellach were called to the stage to show their talents as flamenco dancers.

They enjoyed seeing the music and dancing and the student brought up on stage to participate.

Day 9:

The highlight of the last full day in Spain was a visit to the Royal Palace. The palace was a busy place because the crown prince of Spain is getting married in May. Already workers are cleaning statues, painting, and checking chandeliers. Then it was time for final shopping, a final group dinner, and preparing for a 3:00AM wake-up call.

Day 10:

It took 28 hours to go over 5,000 miles, but the group arrived back in Cedar Rapids at 11:00PM Saturday night. They woke up at 3:00 AM (7:00PM Friday-Iowa time), left Spain at 8:00AM for Paris, flew from Paris to Washington DC, from Washington DC to Chicago, and from Chicago to Cedar Rapids. The day was long, but the students, adults, and teachers had enjoyed the trip of a lifetime.



On their final night in Spain, the group posed for one more group photo in the lobby of their hotel.

Face-Off Politics

Politics are all around us, whether we choose to acknowledge them or not. From public schools, to the minimum wage we make at our jobs, to the gas we put in our cars, it's everywhere. With the 2004 Election almost upon us, there are many mixed feelings about what's going on in the government these days. Here are two opinions of Editors here on the staff. There's no wrong or right answer. Please don't take offense.

By: Sara McGrew, Editor

Politics. *shudder* One of the few words that causes teenagers minds to shut off completely. But why? We are, to quote a few cliches, the youth of the nation. The next generation. The future.

Yeah, yeah, we've heard it a million times. From our parents, to our teachers, to the freaking politicians on TV. I never cared for politics much growing up, but the last few months, the last year actually, I've become aware of what's going on in the world around me.

I had the chance March 2nd through the 7th to go to Washington D.C. for the National Young Leader's Conference. During the conference, I met so many people involved in the government...from the Secretary of Defense, to President Bush (he's kind of short, by the way), to Iowa's own Senator Chuck Grassley (who has offered me an internship next May in D.C.) I met people who have made a difference. I met people who have taken a stand and changed things by the time they were 25. Did you know almost 95% of the interns in D.C. are under the age of 25? It's insane. There are young adults out there changing the future, and here we are sitting back doing nothing here in Marion, Iowa.

Okay, so now that you know it's possible for you to be involved, let me tell you why you should be. Have you ever heard of the Patriot Act? No Child Left Behind? The War in Iraq?

The Patriot Act is absurd. Pisses me off. Tell me why the government has the right to infringe on our rights, our rights that were granted to us in the Consitution. What happened to the right to privacy? Did you know the government has the right to tap into our phonelines, read our e-mails, and invade our lives if there is just a little bit of suspicion we are involved in terrorist attacks? I remember about a year ago, this teenage girl getting arrested because the FBI had tapped her phone line and heard her saying "bombs" and "Baghdad." They later realized they made a mistake and the girl was talking about a song by Outkast.

No Child Left Behind. Bush's stupid education plan. Tell me, why did he pass an act for all all the schools in America, yet put no funding towards it? It's insane. It's stupid. I don't like it at all. Did he ever think that his act would hurt the advanced students? That it would hold them back from achieving their dreams, because "We can't have any child left behind?"

And the War in Iraq. I hate to break it to you folks, this war has been going on since the eighties and nineties. It never stopped. We have had troops fighting there for decades. The sudden fascination with it disgusts me. What about the Congo? Don't we care about what's going on over there? If you don't know, I think you should find out. Some of it is even more disturbing then what's happen in Iraq, yet as a country, we have made no at-

tempts to help. (Probably cbecause there are no "weapons of mass destruction," also known as natural resources, over there).

I know a lot of you probably don't care, but listen: this is our future. It's in our hands. If we don't do something soon, get a freaking wake up call and get off our butts and take a stand, nothing will change. And change is good, right?

By: Jenny Fager, Editor

Another election year has fallen upon us. The campaigning, mud-slinging, and the all-around dirty ways of politics have become. Some people live for this stuff, while others dread this time. I am one of those people who get thouroughly annoyed by the whole process. Watching two middle-aged men (hopefully will be woman someday) lie and cheat their way to "take back America," is not my idea of a good time. It is interesting to hear what ideas they have to present, but it is also sometimes ridiculous. I mean it's not like anything really changes for the better does it? Each party is so unwilling to do what is best for the country (whatever that may be) because they are constantly butting heads. For once I would like to see a democrat and a republican working together to make real changes instead of always voting against each other and never getting anything passed or accomplished. The campaign people spend way too much time thinking of ways to bash their opponent, they should be thinking of ways to strengthen their own platforms.

Like many other teens this year, I will be able to vote this year for the first time. But the behavior of the candidates is enough to make me not even want to learn more about them, or at least try to make a good decision in my voting. Politicians are always stressing for young people to get more involved. I agree, but the way they go about it is all wrong. They don't understand what we want or what we are even about. All they look at is statistics and base their decisions on those. With No Child Left Behind, standardized testing is huge. However, many people, including myself, are not very good test-takers. Taking a test and being rushed through is not the way I learn. I like to think problems through and those kind of tests do not cater to that way of learning. Supposedly the quality of education is starting to go down and they wonder why. Well without the proper funding schools need it is very difficult for teachers/students to get the resources they need. If test scores are really bad, "oh we'll just put them on this list", instead of actually doing something to help get them out of that state. Just putting them on some school to watch list, is not going to better the quality of learning. If there is a problem at the school, maybe we should come up with ways to actually help them. They have to get to the root of the problem, and not just look at test scores. It will be interesting to see what happens, but I am not sure I want to be a part of the election.

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Entertainment: Something Old, Something New - Movies, CD'S and TV shows you should know about

By: Blake Hacker

Movies: School of Rock

Summary: Jack Black stars in the greatest most rocking movie ever. Jack plays Dewey Finn, a man who devotes his life to rocking out 24/7. After Dewey's best friend threatens to kick him out of their apartment unless he pays rent, Dewey poses as a substitute teacher. After he realizes how much the kids can rock, he makes a band with them.

Did you know?: The script was written by Jack Black's old neighbor.

I like: The music, the comedy, the actors, and the rocking.

I don't like: That the DVD doesn't have any deleted scenes.

What to look for: The DVD that has some temporary tattoos and guitar picks.



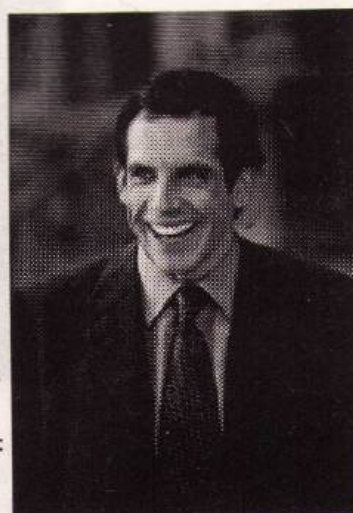
back to life with comedy that isn't funny at all. It is hard to imagine how such great actors like Vince Vaughn, Will Ferrell and Snoop Dogg, can be a part of this and not make it funny.

Did you know?: In the end the original Starsky and Hutch make an appearance.

I like: Not this movie. Will Ferrell is the only good thing going in it.

I don't like: How extremely disappointed I was.

What to look for: Another movie.



Boiler Room

Summary: Big stars like Ben Affleck, Vin Diesel, and Giovanni Ribisi all do their part to make this one of those great, over looked, well written movies. It is about a telemarketing, stock selling company that will make all of it's employees millionaires within a year. Only, the company is selling stock that isn't real, and the government is about to take them down.

Did you know?: The concept of this movie is based off of a Greek tragedy.

I like: Ben Affleck, he is a good guy.

I don't like: How mean Giovanni Ribisi's dad is.

What to look for: The scene in the bar with the fight.



Music: The Darkness - Permission to Land

Summary: This band is awesome. If you haven't already heard of them or seen the video for "I Believe in a Thing Called Love," then you are missing out. They are a hair band from England, and they rock.

Did you know?: That ticket prices for their club tour in Europe started at 8 pounds. If you are lucky you can find tickets for 200 pounds on Ebay now.

I like: The songs and the videos.

I don't like: How it took America so long to discover them, they have been big in Europe since the summer.

What to listen for:



How high pitched Justin can sing. Nirvana - Greatest Hits

Summary: This is the first of (hopefully) many more collections from one of the greatest bands ever. With a new song as the single, "You Know You're Right," this CD has all of their hits songs throughout the early 90's.

Did you know?: The reason that it takes so long for us to get new Nirvana material is because Courtney Love is crazy.

I like: How every song on the album is awesome.

I don't like: How there aren't more rare Nirvana tracks released. Thanks Courtney!

What to listen for: The new better quality of the songs.



The White Stripes - Elephant

Summary: Jack and Meg White have done it again, they have successfully showed the world that music isn't about following trends or trying to fit in to the crowd, it is about expressing yourself in your own way.

Did you know?: It cost Jack White less than \$200 to record this album.

I like: The rawness and guitar solos up and down the whole record.

I don't like: How everyone can't rock as hard as them.

What to listen for: The song where Meg sings.



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"IT'S NOT THE CONSTRUCTION...IT'S THE CONVERSATION!" -Anna Servey

By: Amanda Smith

It all started 13 years ago when Farmers State Bank in Marion approached Principal Twitchmann and Mr. Weisinger and asked them if they wanted to start a project building low income/HACAP homes. Together, Twitchmann and Weisinger decided that it was a good idea, but they could do more, so they started building middle-class homes. They got a construction loan from the bank, just like anyone building a house would do, and started a class entitled, "Building Trades." Starting with a basic design of a house, they work with a contractor to redesign it, so the same plan isn't done every year. With help from Best Plumbing, Fosters Heating and Air-Conditioner Brothers Siding, Associated Electric, and Delaney and Kelly Concrete, to do their respective jobs, the Building Trades students do

everything else, including the roof, painting, and dry wall.

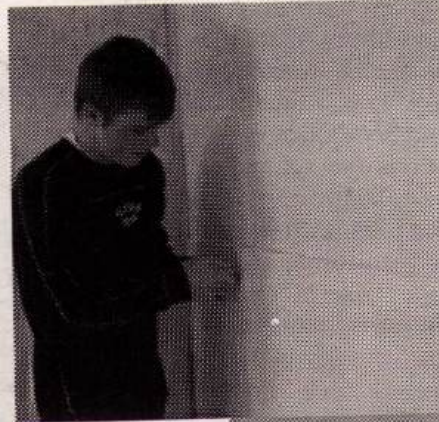
This year is house number 13, located at 2285 Catherine Drive, right off of 22nd Street. The house is valued between \$170,000 and \$180,000, and after the house goes on the market, and gets sold, the profits go to pay off the initial construction loan.

So now that you know all about the past and present of Building Trades,

you're probably asking yourself, how do I join? "Unfortunately, only 16 students can join the class, so technically we're only allowed eight from Marion," Mr. Weisinger explained. "If we have more applicants than open spots, then we pick the ones that have taken some Industrial Tech classes. However, this year only six students signed up from Linn-Mar, so we got to have ten."



Seniors Joe Derby and Eric Steffes work on nailing drywall to the ceiling in the basement of the Building Trades house. The class is made up of 16 seniors from Marion and Linn-Mar.



Jared Martin measures drywall to hang in the bathroom of the Building Trades home. This year's house is located at 2285 Catherine Drive.

Jamie Offerman runs a chalk line on a piece of drywall in order to make a straight cut. The Building Trades class do almost everything, including hanging all the drywall.



Mitchell James cuts a piece of drywall to fit on the wall of a coat closet off the living room.



"The funniest thing was when we were working on the roof and a 5 pound box of nails slide off the roof and hit this Linn-Mar kid."

-Eric Steffes



"I got to sit at the peak of the tress when there was no roof and just boards. I was inches away from falling to my death. It was fun!"

-Jake Corell



"Weis is balding, but very outgoing."

-Jamie Offerman



"I like to build things and it's something different everyday. I'm teaching them something they'll take with them to use later on in their careers or simply in maintaining their homes."

-Mr. Weisinger

Homefront

By: Perry Clouse

On March 12th and 13th, Marion High School students performed their version of the Dean Feldmeyer production, Homefront. The play was performed in the high school auditorium at 7:30 both nights. The story is about the

Farenkamp family in the year 1943. World War II is in full bloom and the Indiana family is doing all that they can do to help out. Although

the Reverend Peter Farenkamp (Perry Clouse) is against the war, he too does his part and even volunteers to let two V-girls (Megan Anderson and Nicole Ivers) stay in his house.

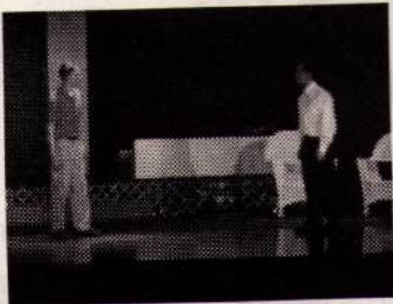
His son David (Nathan Young) on the other hand is an avid supporter of

the war and even wishes to join the army. Here lies the conflict of the story. Both engage in an argument that drives David away as he ends up leaving in an army recruitment officer's car, regardless of the warnings of his father.

After two months without a word from David, Peter almost gives up all hope of ever seeing his son again, but one evening in the fall, David comes home. His homecoming is an emotional scene leaving the audience with a feeling of relief, warmth, and closure.

After only two months of rehearsal the cast was ready to put on a show that everyone could be proud of.

The play went on successfully despite the curtain malfunction, faulty sound cues, and the occasional flubbed line. After the play there were many compliments showered upon the cast members by the audience, which consisted mainly of the friends and family of the cast.



Peter (Perry Clouse) and David (Nathan Young) have an argument about David wanting to go off to war. This was one of the most emotional scenes of the play.



Bernard (Josh Immerfall) comments to David (Nathan Young) that they are the two best dressed guys in town. While Peter (Perry Clouse) listens in.

Bernard (Josh Immerfall) shows off his new zoot suit to his friends and family. During the World War II era, zoot suits were deemed inappropriate.



The Homefront cast poses for a group picture following a performance. This year's cast consisted of 12 students and 11 on crew.



Urban Legends

By: Kristina McCusker

Everybody's heard them... yet they have no traceable source. There's no proof that they REALLY happened... yet they can't necessarily be proven false. What

is it about people and the so-called hoaxes about those "scary" stories? Are these so-called "Urban Legends" true or are they just a bunch of bull? It's all like a huge, cultural game of telephone.

What is it that makes people believe these fairy tale stories? Is it the captivating story line? Or is it that worried feeling it puts on you as you read through them?

It is said that an urban legend can be based on a true story. Urban legends are often little morality plays designed to instill an important lesson about societal morals. But the question is, how can you tell the difference from an urban legend and just a fictional story? Well to tell you the truth, an urban legend ordinarily has a developed story line. This means that it is usually transmitted in a form that sounds like a story, which is a series of incredible events that took place somewhere to someone. For example: If someone told you that you stood a chance of having your kidneys removed by a body organ crime syndicate when visiting Las Vegas, you have probably encountered an Urban Belief or a false story. If, on the other hand, that same person tells you a detailed story about how a businessman who went to Las Vegas on a trip and

woke up one morning in a bathtub full of ice with a kidney missing and a sign nearby that said, "Call 911 or you'll die," then you may have encountered an urban legend.

Not all urban leg-

ends deal with such morbid, heavy issues. Many of them have no moral element at all. Some seem to be simply amusing stories or ordinary jokes told as if they had occurred. While these "facts" don't always have the narrative elements of traditional legends, you have to keep in mind that these "stories" are passed from person to person and they frequently have the elements of caution, horror or humor.

But why do people believe these so-called "legends"? Studies have shown that a person might believe an urban legend because of the relationship that person has with the person from which they heard it from. So is it really true that these "urban legends" have a moral in the end? Read what some studies have said.

So is it true? Do "urban legends" have a moral in the end? Is it a true story or is it all make believe? It's all up for you to decide.



Pop Rocks and Pepsi

The Legend: If you mix Pop Rocks and soda pop, will the chemical reaction make your stomach explode?

The Summary: Whispers were once going around about how if you mix the candy with carbonated drinks, your stomach would explode. The question has come about was, did little Mikey of LIFE cereal, die from the explosive effects of mixing Pop Rocks candy with soda pop? Quickly after the rumors hit, the company that produced Pop Rocks announced that the candy itself generated less gas than half a can of soda and while ingesting them, it could induce nothing worse in the human body than a hearty, non-life-threatening belch. So no, mixing pop rocks and pop will not make your stomach explode.



A Polaroid Picture

The Legend: A Polaroid picture develops quicker if you shake the picture once it's taken.

The Summary: To tell you the truth, this statement is false. According the Polaroid web site, the company says that shaking a photo is not necessary since the modern version of Polaroid film dries behind a clear plastic window. The image itself, ever touches air, so shaking or waving has no effect. In fact, shaking or waving can actually damage the image. Rapid movement during development can cause portions of the film to separate and/or can cause 'blobs' in the picture. Polaroid suggests that its films should be placed on a flat surface and be shielded from the wind and that users should avoid bending or twisting the pictures.

"The Hook"

The Legend: A couple is making out in a secluded area in a car. A news report comes on the radio that an escaped convict with a hook for a hand is on the loose nearby. The girl begins crying and insists that the boy take her home. The boy, frustrated, steps on the gas and drives her home. When he gets out of the car to open her door, he sees a bloody hook on her door handle.

The Summary: "THE HOOK" - is a legend that has become one of the most popular of our time. It has appeared in many books and movies including the 1998 hit, "I Know What You Did Last Summer." "The Hook" is said to be a tale about teenage sexuality. The unspoken story has portrayed a realization that if the girl hadn't said no along with insisted upon leaving right way, the couple would have been killed. "The Hook" is clearly one such tale and it's message is clear: teens shouldn't have sex. Though her boyfriend might be upset at the time, not long after he'll understand the wisdom of her refusal and thank her for it. Or at least the legend says so.



"Dial #77"

The Legend: Is dialing #77 on your cell phone a hoax or an actual true story? This is an actual true story. It happened to a 19 year old, sophomore in college during her Christmas break. An UNMARKED police car pulled up behind her and put his lights on telling her to pull over. She remembered her parents saying to never pull over for any unmarked car on the side of the road, but rather wait until they get to a gas station or a public place. The girl listened to her parents and proceeded in calling #77 on her cell phone asking the dispatcher to confirm that there were two policemen surrounding her. The dispatcher didn't confirm that they unmarked police car was really a cop. She kept driving until the state troopers rescued her from the "unknown cop."

The Summary: Using your cell phone to contact a police dispatcher is one option. But be aware that the "dial #77" does not work in every state. If you aren't sure what your state's specific number is, dial 911 instead.

"The Babysitter"

The Legend: A baby-sitter received prank calls threatening the children under her care who then traced the calls to the upstairs bedroom.

The Summary: This tale originated in the early 1960's. Its obvious that this legend deals with the insecurity felt by adolescents, as they are required to accept increasing responsibilities while making the transition to adulthood. The teenage girl is not simply left alone to fend her herself, but she has also made responsible for the safety of other children under her care. She fails at her task in the most catastrophic manner, and, she herself is threatened through the instrument that many teenagers' lives depend on to live up their social communication between others, the telephone. This particular legend has many different variations, all similar in some particular way.

What To Do On The Weekends

By: Jaimie DeLong and Holly Grieder

Weekends are the time of the week that every student looks forward to. Over the weekend you get two and a half days free of math, science, English, and all that other stuff that you have to hear way too much about during the week. So when

you're thinking about what you're going to do with all of this free time, more often than not you're thinking, what is there to do tonight? Let's face it. We do live in Iowa, which is pretty much the most unexciting place in the world, but believe it or not there are things to do.

When you're craving something to eat during the weekend there are plenty of places in Cedar Rapids that you can go eat at that you wouldn't normally think about. Here's a list of what we found:

- IHOP (aka International House of Pancakes), so obviously they're known for their pancakes.

- GodFather's with three locations in Cedar Rapids it's easy to find one. Not only do they have really good pizza, they have a good buffet with a lot of variety.

- Leonardo's serves burgers, pizza, and chicken. The cool thing about this

restaurant is that it has a really unique and fun atmosphere.

- Texas Roadhouse is a chain restaurant that opened a few years ago. If you want a really good steak this is the place to get it at.

- Genghis Grill let's you chose what your food will be like by letting you every thing in it.

- Fazzoli's is a new restaurant. It takes a more fast food approach to Italian and many claim it has the best break sticks around.

- The Flying Weinie's owners fly their hot dogs in from Chicago so they are the authentic thing. They also have really good ice cream.



If you are still bored on a weekend after trying all of these different restaurants in town here are a few suggestions given by students. You could have a Nintendo marathon, cruise the Ave., catch up on sleep, go to Hy-Vee, buy food and then pig out on it, watch old movies, or have a TV marathon.

Next time you think there is nothing to do in Iowa on the weekend think again, there are plenty of things to do.



BUDGET PROM



By: Cameron Thomas



and prom itself, can cost a lot. In the past, I have spent well over \$200.

Every year many people go to prom, most of them spend a significant amount of money for just one evening. This one evening, consisting of a tux/dress, flowers, dinner,

The first year I went to prom was my sophomore year with a senior. Two of my friends wanted to do a triple date and rent a limo to surprise our dates. The limo was about \$300, making it \$100 per person. So, that's \$100 right there. Then, I needed a tux, and the tux I got was \$95. And of course, the flowers, \$25. Lastly, dinner at Biaggi's, \$50. All of this, plus prom itself, make a total of \$270 (this does not include pictures and post prom for two). My first prom experience was fun, but not cheap.

The next year, learning from my experience and a not so happy mother, I tried to spend much less. I had an \$80 tux, spent \$24 on flowers,

about \$40 on a very nice meal at Cafe De Klos, and \$10 on prom. That would bring the total to \$154 (not including pictures and post prom), but guess who was in town that night? That's right, Gallagher! (the guy that smashes watermelons with a giant sledge hammer). This means that I made my mom buy tickets, and my date and I went. Anyway, that brings the total up to around \$260, and we didn't even make it to the dance. So, my luck trying to stay low on budget failed, but I won't this year.

This year the Journalism Department has put me in charge of something called "Budget Prom." This means I only have \$100 to

spend on prom. Being the poor teenage senior going to college next year, I happily

accepted the challenge. I must spend only \$100 on a tux and dress, flowers, dinner, and prom. The \$100 is for both me and my date and does not, luckily, include pictures and/or post



prom. That means Mommy is going to be very happy this year.

I have several things

planned out already: I have a date, Molly Kelley, Marion alum. I have a tux, an old Chamber Choir tux that I am borrowing from Mrs. Freese, FREE. I will order flowers from Weeds, \$10 and \$15. I have a restaurant, The Starlight, Home of the Super Burger, \$15. I will pay for prom, \$10. The only thing left to get is a dress, which we might get from a secondhand store and we have \$50 to buy it with. This brings the final total to: \$100. Any money we save will go towards pictures, post prom, and/or whatever.

The reason for this experiment is to show how inexpensive prom can really be.

Fine Dining On Prom Night

By: Clancy Quinn

It's springtime, love is in the air and prom is right around the corner. Along with prom comes renting a tuxedo,

getting a date, and the most important thing....finding the perfect place to eat. There are so many different places to

choose from, including the exquisite restaurants in the Cedar Rapids area. The restaurants below are a few of the

best and nicest places to take your date for a wonderful prom dinner. From the decorations, to the variety of dif-

ferent foods, there is something for everybody at these restaurants.

MONDO'S

Best entree: lasagna

Atmosphere: Not as nice as it's Iowa City location but definitely would give it a run for its money.

Reservations: Yes

Cost: Not too expensive. Most dishes are under \$17.

Rating: 2 Stars



VINO'S

Best entree: Fettuccini Alfredo

Atmosphere: Enter into here and you will find yourself deep in the heart of Italy. This is a great Italian restaurant and if you love Italian food this is the place for you.

Reservations: Yes, but will be very busy around Prom time.

Cost: Most people think that it is really expensive, but in reality it is not that bad. The cost would be around \$30-35 for 2 people.

Rating: 3 stars

TOP OF THE FIVE

Best entree: The main dishes are pretty good, but the dessert is the reason people go here like the Chocolate Cheese Cake.

Atmosphere: One of the nicest restaurants in town. If you are willing to shell out the bucks for that special date, then this is a great place to take them.

Reservations: Yes, but make them early, they get really busy around this time of year.

Cost: Expensive, expect to pay anywhere from \$20 and up per person.

Rating: 3 Stars

BIAGGI'S

Best entree: The fettuccini alfredo is very good along with the ravioli.

Atmosphere: Quiet, little Italian restaurant that gives you that little of Italy you are looking for.

Reservations: Yes

Cost: The great food you will get is worth the money. You could spend about \$10-20 a dish.

Rating: 4 stars



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The Vox at Seventy

As the voice of MHS since 1934, The Vox has seen changes in school and in students

By: Hilary Meeks

With the year coming to an end we are going to take this time to look back on previous stories that have molded The Vox into what it is today. What were the stories in the past issues that affected the students at that time? What articles did you think were the best? You might be able to see the difference throughout the years and the changes The Vox has undergone since the first issue.

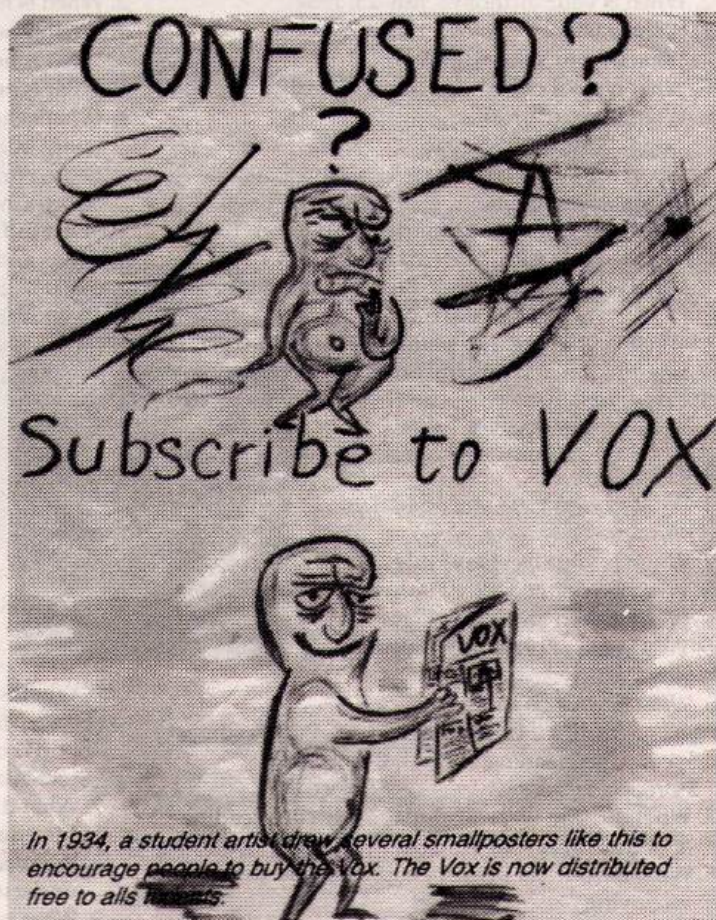
The first Vox was issued on March 9, 1936 under the direction of Melvin Oldfather. It was two pages long, and was made up of riddles, and a type of "Dear Abby" column, which was called "Dear Romeo and Juliet." The newspaper was very low budget and consisted of many advertisements. Since there were no computers back then, the entire Vox was done on typewriter and

had no pictures. Since it cost money to receive these papers there were different ways that they would promote these papers including putting up signs around the school that tell people to buy The Vox.

By the 1940's we saw more advanced papers with four pages of construction paper that were stapled together and again typed with a colored piece of construction paper on the top. One of the pages is taken up by advertisements that don't contain any pictures, just the name of the business they are advertising. In keeping with the tradition they included an advice column that was called Advice For the LoveLorn by Prudence nittywitty fudduddy. Wow! They were creative back then. I am astounded by the intelligence level

shown by this article. This paper came out a lot more often then they do today about once a month with articles about the sporting events going on and different articles written by the students.

As the years went on we began to see significant changes including the number of pages that were published every issue. Also we began to see more pictures and more articles that were about sports and different things that went on in the school. As of this year we have 16 pages that are printed by a professional printer. You can now receive a copy of The Vox for free if you wish instead of paying for it like when it first came out. With all of the changes that took place, we will only see more changes as time goes on.



In 1934, a student artist drew several small posters like this to encourage people to buy the Vox. The Vox is now distributed free to all students.

Role Reversal

By: DJ Engle

Most people in their spare time do a lot of things like playing Playstation, going to the malls and hanging out with their friends. For most teenagers they like to sleep in on the weekends. But for some of the Marion boys basketball players they get up very early and ref youth boys basketball games. The games are every Saturday for 5 weeks and the boys are split up into groups of two and ref two games and the games are 40 minutes long. "I like reffing because it's fun watching the little kids play basketball," said senior Dustin Henderson. They play full court but play on the side courts at Vernon Middle school. The fifth and sixth graders play on one side and the third and fourth graders play on the other. You would think that since it's young kids playing basketball that you wouldn't get any complaints from the coaches or the fans but that is very untrue. Some people believe that if you ref that you should have played the game or at least coach a team before you ref so you can have an idea of what's going on. People say that the refs now just do it for the money and have no professionalism. There once was a time when both refs were arguing with the coach and had their backs turned while the ball was in play.

Some parents take the game as if it were a high school or even a higher level basketball game. "After the two years that I have been reffing I never have really had to deal with

a major blow up by a fan or coach but there are times when the coach will talk back to us and even sometimes the parents or fans will say some stuff as you run past them. The kids usually listen pretty well but again there are times when they talk back to us. It's always fun and you get to hang out with some of your friends while you ref a game that you love." "Some of the kids I was reffing were bigger than me. None of the parents or fans really talked or yelled at me too bad", said Curt Hansen. "I've been reffing for three years and it seems like the kids get better and better every year."

"It's fun watching them and seeing what they know about the game," says senior Chas Raeside. At the end of the youth season the boys involved in reffing get to choose whether they want volunteer hours or if they want to get paid with money. Most often they choose the money but a few decide to take the volunteer hours like Travis Eagle who said, "I don't think that it's fair to take the money, so that's why I choose the volunteer hours." So, if you ever are looking for something to do you can always get involved with reffing youth basketball games on Saturday mornings.



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Knowing Each Other

By: Nicole Cox, Ashley Evans, and Jaimie DeLong

Elissa Cook and Sara Wirtner

Elissa:

1. What is your full name? Elissa Mae Cook
2. When is your birthday? July 25, 1989
3. What is your eye color? Hazel
4. What is your shoe size? 9
5. What type of car do you want? Cavalier
6. What is your favorite:

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| Song- 'Runnin' by Tupac | Food- Pizza |
| Sport- Cheerleading | Color- Pink |
| Store- Abercrombie | Subject- English |
7. What did you wear yesterday? American Eagle pinkshirt and jeans (faded)
8. What is your pet peeve? People playing video games all the time
9. What is your favorite saying? I don't have one, and if I did, it'd probably be bad
10. How long have you been best friends with Sara? 8 years

Sara:

1. What is your full name? Sara Lynn Wirtner
2. When is your birthday? July 13
3. What is your eye color? Brown
4. What is your shoe size? Eight
5. What type of car do you want? I don't really care
6. What is your favorite:

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Song- "Yeah" by Usher | Food- Puppy Chow |
| Sport- Cheerleading | Color- Pink |
| Store- Gatzook's | Subject- PE |
7. What did you wear yesterday? My cheerleading shirt and blue jeans
8. What is your pet peeve? People that are so annoying
9. What is her favorite saying? Don't have one
10. How long have you been best friends with Elissa? 8 years



Sara on Elissa:

1. What is Elissa's full name? Elissa Mae Cook
2. When is her birthday? July 5, 1985
3. What is her eye color? Hazel
4. What is her shoe size? 9
5. What type of car does she want? Cavalier
6. What is her favorite:

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| Song- 'Runnin' by Tupac | Food- Pizza |
| Store- American Eagle | Subject- Gym |
| Sport- Cheerleading | Color- Pink |
7. What did they wear yesterday? American Eagle jeans and a pink button shirt
8. What is their pet peeve? People that act dumb
9. What is their favorite saying? They're not really appropriate
10. How long have you been best friends with her? 8 years

Elissa on Sara:

1. What is Sara's first name? Sara Lynn Wirtner
2. When is her birth/day? 7/13/89
3. What is her eye color? Brown
4. What is her shoe size? 9
5. What type of car does she want? Grand Am or Grand Prix
6. What is her favorite:

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Song- "Yeah" by Usher | Food- Pizza |
| Sport- Cheerleading | Color- Pink |
| Store- Abercrombie | Subject- Spanish |
7. What did she wear yesterday? Cheerleading shirt and jeans
8. What is her pet peeve? People that never understand what you are talking about
9. What is her favorite saying? None
10. How long have you been best friends with her? 7 to 8 years

Josh Immerfall and

Ashleigh:

1. What is your full name? Ashleigh Brook Derby
2. When is your birthday? April 19
3. What is your eye color? Blue
4. What is your shoe size? 8
5. What type of car do you drive? Honda Civic
6. What is your favorite:

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|---------------------|---------------|
| Song- "With You" | Food- Reese's |
| Store- Super Target | Subject |
| Sport- Cheerleading | Color- Red |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Maroon pants, black long sleeved
8. What is your pet peeve? When people say Josh and I are getting married
9. What is your favorite saying? "Don't you fret"
10. How long have you been best friends with Josh? 1 1/2 years



Josh:

1. What is your full name? Joshua Scott Immerfall
2. When is your birthday? 8-06-86
3. What is your eye color? Brown
4. What is your shoe size? 14
5. What type of car do you drive? '96 Grand Am
6. What is your favorite:

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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Song- "Aicha" | Food- Reese's |
| Store- Super Target | Subject- Social Studies |
| Sport- Cross Country | Color- Red |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Jeans with an American Eagle sweatshirt
8. What is your pet peeve? Whiney girl voices
9. What is your favorite saying? "Fo real do"
10. How long have you been best friends with Ashleigh? Since biology with the Clarkster

Brandon O'Connell and Ashley Cory

Ashley:

1. What is your full name? Ashley Marie Cory
2. When is your birthday? December 12, 1987
3. What is your eye color? Blue
4. What is your shoe size? 10
5. What type of car do you drive? Supra
6. What is your favorite:

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Song- 'One Call Away' | Food- Steak |
| Store- the Buckle | Subject- Science |
| Sport- Basketball | Color- Blue |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Sweats
8. What is your pet peeve? When people scrape their teeth on forks
9. What is your favorite saying? "Ok...Bye." ~Brandon
10. How long have you been a couple with Brandon? The beginning of this year.

Brandon:

1. What is your full name? Brandon Ryan O'Connell
2. When is your birthday? 12-19-87
3. What is your eye color? Brown
4. What is your shoe size? 10 1/2
5. What type of car do you drive? Nissan
6. What is your favorite:

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|----------------------|---------------|
| Song- Don't have one | Food- Pizza |
| Store- Scheels | Subject- P.E. |
| Sport- Basketball | Color- Blue |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Blue jeans and grey shirt
8. What is your pet peeve? When guys flirt with Ashley
9. What is your favorite saying? Don't have one
10. How long have you been a couple with Ashley? 2 1/2 months



Brandon on Ashley:

1. What is Ashley's full name? Ashley Marie Cory
2. When is her birthday? December 24th
3. What is her eye color? Hazel
4. What is her shoe size? 9 1/2
5. What type of car does she drive? Toyota Supra
6. What is her favorite:

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|------------------------|--------------|
| Song- Doesn't have one | Food- Pizza |
| Store- Abercrombie | Subject- Gym |
| Sport- Basketball | Color- Blue |
7. What did she wear yesterday? Blue jeans and a Marion basketball tee-shirt
8. What is her pet peeve? When people eat loudly with their silverware
9. What is her favorite saying?
10. How long have you been a couple with Ashley? Almost three months

Ashley on Brandon:

1. What is Brandon's full name? Brandon Ryan O'Connell
2. When is his birthday? December 19th, 1987
3. What is his eye color? Brown
4. What is his shoe size? 10 1/2
5. What type of car does he drive? Nissan
6. What is his favorite:

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|-------------------|---------------|
| Song- None | Food- Pizza |
| Store- Scheels | Subject- P.E. |
| Sport- Basketball | Color- Blue |
7. What did he wear yesterday? Jeans and a hooded sweatshirt
8. What is his pet peeve? None
9. What is his favorite saying? None
10. How long have you been a couple with Brandon? About three months

Zach Labs and

Zach:

1. What is your full name? Zachary Emil Labs
2. When is your birthday? 6-21-85
3. What is your eye color? Blue
4. What is your shoe size? 11
5. What type of car do you drive? '82 Mazda Rx-7
6. What is your favorite:

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|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Song- I don't like music | Food- No beans |
| Sport- Baseball | Color- None |
| Store- O'Riley's Auto Parts | Subject- Math |
7. What did you wear yesterday? I think jeans and a long sleeved shirt
8. What is your pet peeve? The word "pet peeve"
9. What is your favorite saying/quote? "Live fast, play hard, die laughing"
10. How long have you been a couple with Mary? 9 1/2 months

Mary:

1. What is your full name? Mary Melissa Soldner
2. When is your birthday? August 4th
3. What is your eye color? Blue
4. What is your shoe size? 11
5. What type of car do you drive? Saturn SL1
6. What is your favorite:

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|-------------------|------------------|
| Song- | Food- Ice Cream |
| Sport- Volleyball | Color- Pink |
| Store- Target | Subject- Science |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Pink long sleeved shirt with blue corduroy pants
8. What is your pet peeve? When people tap their pencil on their desk acting like they are playing a drum
9. What is your favorite saying/quote? "Just keep swimming, just keep swimming."
10. How long have you been a couple with Zach? Almost 10 months

Just how well do the MHS couples, best friends, and siblings know each other? Both were asked to answer a variety of questions about themselves and then guess what the other said. Their responses are as follows:

Ashleigh Derby

Josh on Ashleigh

1. What is Ashleigh's full name? Ashleigh Brook Derby
2. When is her birthday? April 19
3. What is her eye color? Blue
4. What is her shoe size? 9
5. What type of car does she drive? Honda Civic named Louie
6. What is her favorite:

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|---------------------|---------------|
| Song- "With You" | Food- Reese's |
| Store- Super Target | Subject- Math |
| Sport- Cheerleading | Color- Red |
7. What did she wear yesterday? Black top with red pants
8. What is her pet peeve? When people say we are going to get married
9. What is her favorite saying? "Fo real do"
10. How long have you been best friends with her? Year and a half

Ashleigh on Josh

1. What is Josh's full name? Joshua Scott Immerfall
2. When is his birthday? August 6th
3. What is his eye color? Brown
4. What is his shoe size? 14
5. What type of car does he drive? Grand Am
6. What is his favorite:

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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Song- Aisha | Food- Reese's |
| Store- Super Target | Subject- Social Studies |
| Sport- Cross Country | Color- Red |
7. What did he wear yesterday? Don't know
8. What is his pet peeve? People saying Josh and I are getting married
9. What is his favorite saying? "Fo real do"
10. How long have you been best friends with her? 1 1/2 years

Mary Soldner

Mary on Zach

1. What is Zach's full name? Zachary Emil Labs
2. When is his birthday? June 21
3. What is his eye color? Light blue
4. What is his shoe size? 11
5. What type of car do they drive? Mazda Rx-7
6. What is his favorite:

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| Song- He doesn't like music | Food- Steak, eggs |
| Sport- Track | Color- Blue |
| Store- Any auto store in town | Subject- Math |
7. What did he wear yesterday? Jeans and a long sleeve Marion track shirt
8. What is his pet peeve? He hates the word pet peeve that is his pet peeve
9. What is his favorite saying/quote? He has too many but maybe, "Oh yeah, it's all comin' together now"
10. How long have you been a couple with Zach? Almost ten months

Zach on Mary

1. What is Mary's full name? Mary Melissa Soldner
2. When is her birthday? 8-04-86
3. What is her eye color? Blue
4. What is her shoe size? 11
5. What type of car do they drive? '91 Saturn
6. What is her favorite:

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|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Song- Michelle Branch stuff | Food- Cereal |
| Sport- Volleyball | Color- Pink |
| Store- Target | Subject- Heath occupations |
7. What did she wear yesterday? Corduroy pants and a shirt
8. What is her pet peeve? Mean people
9. What is her favorite saying? anything from Mother Theresa
10. How long have you been a couple with Mary? 9 1/2 months



Angela and Nick Cannavo

Angela

1. What is your full name? Angela Marie Cannavo
2. When is your birthday? 7/3
3. What is your eye color? Green
4. What is your shoe size? 9
5. What type of car do you drive? Toyota
6. What is your favorite:

| | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Song- "With You" | Food- Chinese |
| Store- Express | Subject- Science |
| Sport- Football | Color- Pink and Red |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Cheer uniform and then blue hoodie and jeans
8. What is your pet peeve? Fake people and bad drivers
9. What is your favorite quote? I don't know

Nick

1. What is your full name? Nicolas John Cannavo
2. When is your birthday? 4/1/88
3. What is your eye color? Brown
4. What is your shoe size? 10.5
5. What type of car do you want? Bentley Escalade
6. What is your favorite:

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|---------------------|------------------|
| Song- "In the club" | Food- Pasta |
| Store- Foot locker | Subject- Gym |
| Sport- Football | Color- Dark Blue |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Jeans and Fred Russel Jersey
8. What is your pet peeve? Getting my shoes stepped on
9. What is your favorite quote? Don't have one



Nick on Angela

1. What is her full name? Angela Ann Cannavo
2. When is her birthday? 7/3/86
3. What is her eye color? They change color
4. What is her shoe size? 5
5. What type of car does she drive? Toyota
6. What is her favorite:

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| Song- Some Ashanti song | Food- Chinese |
| Store- Hy-Vee | Subject- science |
| Sport- Cheerleading | Color- Pink |
7. What did she wear yesterday? Jeans and a blue shirt
8. What is her pet peeve? When people eat her food
9. What is her favorite quote? "I'm hungry"

Angela on Nick

1. What is his full name? Nicolas John Cannavo
2. When is his birthday? 4/1, April Fool's Day
3. What is his eye color? Brown
4. What is his shoe size? 9
5. What type of car does he want? BMW or Escalade
6. What is his favorite:

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| Song- "Holiday Inn" | Food- Marco's pizza |
| Store- Foot locker | Subject- Pe |
| Sport- Football | Color- Blue |
7. What did she wear yesterday? Sweatshirt and a new pair of jeans
8. What is her pet peeve? When people touch his "perfectly" gelled hair
9. What is her favorite quote? "That's what I'm talking about"

Jesse and Tara Carsner

Jesse

1. What is your full name? Jesse Allen Carsner
2. When is your birthday? 8/29/86
3. What is your eye color? Green with an orange strip in the left eye
4. What is your shoe size? 13
5. What type of car do you drive? Sunfire
6. What is your favorite:

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Song- Something cool | Food- Wendy's |
| Subject- P.E. | Store- Don't have one |
| Sport- Football | Color- Don't have one |
7. What did you wear yesterday? Sweats
8. What is your pet peeve? Stupid people
9. What is your favorite quote? I'm not sure

Tara

1. What is your full name? Tara Rochelle Carsner
2. When is your birthday? 9/3/88
3. What is your eye color? Hazel
4. What is your shoe size? 8.5
5. What type of car do you want? Malibu
6. What is your favorite:

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Song- "Screwed up" | Food- Shrimp scampi |
| Store- Journey's | Subject- Pe |
| Sport- Basketball | Color- Pink |
7. What did you wear yesterday? That's a long time ago
8. What is your pet peeve? Stupid people
9. What is your favorite quote? "Obsessed is the word the lazy use to describe the dedicated."

Tara on Jesse

1. What is his full name? Jesse Allen Carsner
2. When is his birthday? 8/29/86
3. What is his eye color? Hazel
4. What is his shoe size? 12
5. What type of car does he drive? '99 Sunfire
6. What is his favorite:

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| Song- "Stay Together for the Kids" | Food- Pizza |
| Store- West music | Subject- Doesn't have one |
| Sport- Football | Color- Blue |
7. What did he wear yesterday? His p.j's
8. What is his pet peeve? Stupid people
9. What is his favorite quote? "It happens" or "You'll have that"



Jesse on Tara

1. What is her full name? Tara Rochelle Carsner
2. When is her birthday? 8/29/88
3. What is her eye color? Green
4. What is her shoe size? 6
5. What type of car does she want? Malibu
6. What is her favorite:

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Song- Some rap song | Food- Chicken alfredo |
| Store- American Eagle | Subject- Math |
| Sport- Basketball | Color- Blue |
7. What did she wear yesterday? That's a long time ago
8. What is her pet peeve? When people make fun of her
9. What is her favorite quote? They're not really appropriate



So who are the true best friends? It doesn't really matter because the things you know about each other aren't really what matters. It's the trust and loyalty that will take you to the end.

School Of Rock

By: Seth Walters

At one point of their life, everyone dreams of becoming a rock star. But let's face it, not all of our dreams come true. Most people let go of their fantasies after grade school. But some people believe that they have what it takes to be in a real rock band.

Last summer, a band of familiar faces entitled Typhoid Mary put on a concert in the lead singer's drive way. The band, consisting of Ben Shinrock, (lead vocals and rhythm guitar) Jeff Shinrock, (bass guitar and backup vocals) John Lik-

ens, (drums) and Reynato Cipriano (lead guitar) was formerly called The Lonely Bones until they befriended a Brazilian foreign exchange student, Rey. Rey came into America with seven years of guitar experience behind his back. "He played like a god," says Ben. Their concert mostly consisted of covers from bands like System of a



Down, Blink 182, and Limp Bizkit.

They had a few of their own "original" songs though. Their most popular, *Picture*, had the potential to become a big hit. But the band split up when Jeff went to college and Rey went back to Brazil.



Typhoid Mary put on a rock'n show last summer in the driveway of the band's lead singer, Ben Shincock.

Ever heard of Suicide High? Suicide High is a band led by MHS senior Jared Martin. Jared has been with the band for 8 months and he has performed 2 gigs with them so far. The band fall under the category of "dark metal." Jared says they are most like the popular band Coal Chamber. Jared's advice to anyone who wants to be in a band is, "Go for it and know what you're doing."

Not just students have these dreams. Former MHS student and current MHS faculty member Chad Zrudsky had dreams of becoming a rock star when he was younger. Mr. Z lead a Flock of Seagulls cover band called "Sticky Z

and the Clones." Unfortunately they never made it out of the garage. They broke up after one of the members discovered that the Flock of Seagulls no longer existed.



This is Mr. Zrudsky's 8th grade picture. Look at that doo!

Anyone who's taken an art class at MHS knows who Ari Mihalopulus is. He goes by Ari because his last name is too hard to say. Ari is a substitute art teacher, but he is also a true rock star.

Anyone who has seen him would agree. Ari is the lead singer of the hard rock band "Destrophy." Destrophy has been together for 11 years and the recently put out a new album. Ari's advice to anyone who has dreams of becoming a rock star is "Record yourself."

It is good to know that not everyone has given up on their dreams of becoming a rock star. Ben Shinrock still practices his guitar every day and often times gets together with some of his buds to "jam." Mr. Z is going to work on his Ph.D., but he would still love to be a rock star. Who wouldn't?



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Fun In the Sun

By: Valerie Crutchley

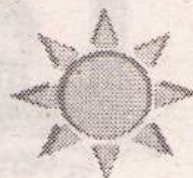
The 7th annual Luau was held in the cafeteria on March 6th from 8-11pm. This dance was and is always sponsored by Win With Wellness (WWW). The dress code for the evening was Hawaiian prints and bright colored clothing. Many people sported leis that were handed out at the door and during the dance. To get a dollar off of your ticket all you had to do was dress in Hawaiian clothing. Another dollar could be taken off if you brought a can of food with you. At the end of the evening the King and Queen of the Luau were crowned. They were chosen based upon their dress, dancing, and fun attitude throughout the evening. Sophomore Jordan Crane and junior Megan Anderson were named the King and Queen of this year's Luau.



Luau King Jordan Crane and Luau Queen Megan Anderson dance a quick dance after being crowned King and Queen. It is a tradition at every Luau to crown a King and Queen. They are always way the two that have dressed the most Hawaiian.



Seniors Cameron Thomas and Ben Remington join in the Conga line at the dance. Besides Prom, the Luau is the seniors' last dance.



Fall Dance

Natalie Allen
Megan Anderson
Taylor Benter
Alisabeth Caraway
Lindsey Freeman
Christina Hamous
Brittnee Musser
Andrea Oldfield
Heather Rowe
Katie Schultz
Sarah Young
Alternates
Melanie Kemmann
Brittney Railsback

Varsity Wrestling

Leslie Coffman
Amanda Grieder
Holly Grieder
Jessica Ogburn
Katie Schultz



The Results Are In...

By: Ashley Evans and Nicole Cox

On March 13th, cheerleading and dance tryouts for the 2004-2005 school year were held. About 70 girls tried out for either a cheerleading squad or a dance team. The dance tryout consisted of a kickline, a routine, leaps and turns. The cheer tryout included a cheer, two chants, and jumps. Below are the results:

JV Football

Elissa Cook
Colleen Curtis
Darcy DeLong
Amanda Grieder
Alissa Houb
Brittany Ivey
Allison Lint
Sara Wirtner

JV Basketball

Elissa Cook
Colleen Curtis
Christina Hamous
Alissa Holub
Brittany Ivey
Allison Lint
Kayla Madren
Paige Plagman
Tabitha Scott
Billie Rae Shannon
Luke Walters
Sara Wirtner

Varsity Competition Squad

Kelly Cayton
Nicole Cox
Jaimie DeLong
Ashley Evans
Rachel Furman
Holly Grieder
Brittany Ivey
Paige Johnson
Shawna Leonard
Allison Lint
Charley Martin
Sara Wirtner
Alternates
Elissa Cook
Amanda Grieder
Danika Johnson

Varsity Basketball

Ashley Brown
Kelly Cayton
Nicole Cox
Jaimie DeLong
Ashleigh Derby
Ashley Evans
Rachel Furman
Danika Johnson
Paige Johnson
Allison Koeppen
Shawna Leonard
Charley Martin

JV Wrestling

Kristin Daniel
Kara Griggs
Carly Huffman
Jessi Knapp
Hillary Youngman

Winter Dance

Natalie Allen
Megan Anderson
Emily Beadle
Taylor Benter
Alisabeth Caraway
Darcy DeLong
Lindsey Freeman
Heather Rowe
Amber Scott
Laura Stulken
Sarah Young
Alternates
Andrea Oldfield
Katie Barkdoll

Varsity Football

Kelly Cayton
Nicole Cox
Jaimie DeLong
Ashley Evans
Holly Grieder
Paige Johnson
Shawna Leonard
Charley Martin



Todd the Trainer

By: DJ Engle

TODD! TODD! TODD! That's what you will hear if you come to a Marion High School sporting event. Todd is loved by many people, especially those who need his help: the coaches because they don't have to take time out of their practices to help the injured players, and the players because he helps them with their injuries and tries to prevent them from getting injured. Some interesting facts about Todd are...

Birthday: December 23rd

Favorite food or meal: Breakfast

Favorite restaurant: Ginos in Iowa City

Marriage status: Happily married

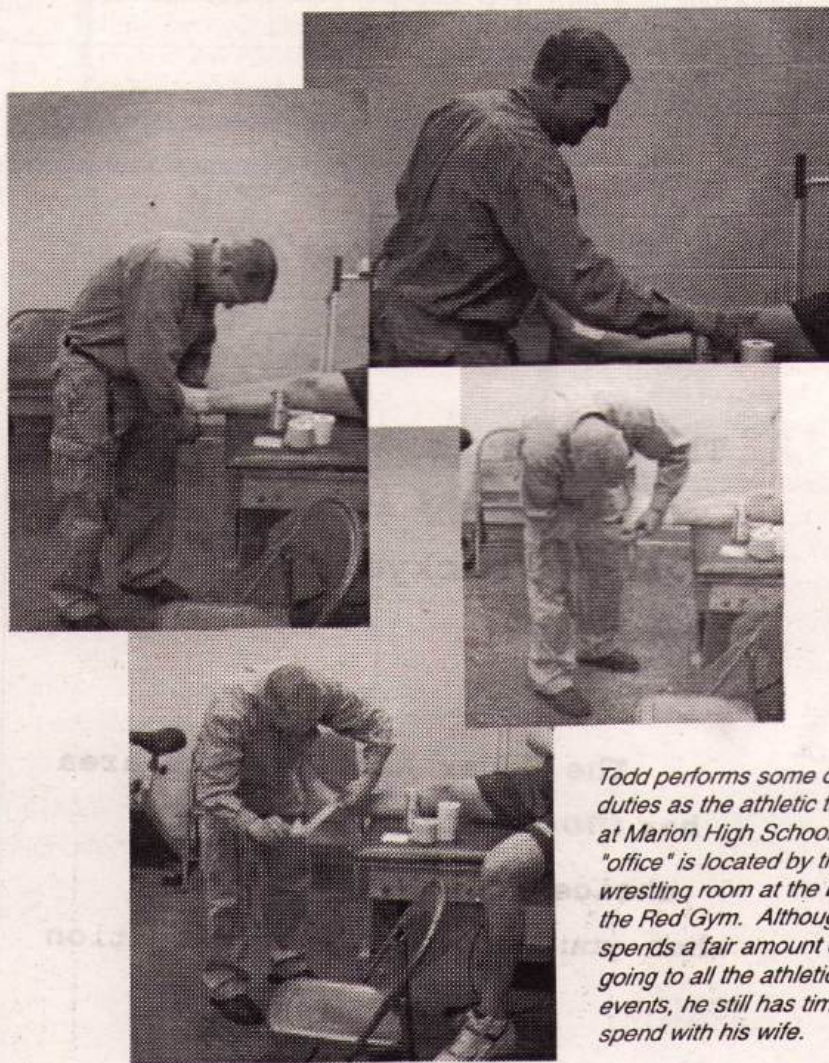
Activities in spare time: He likes to travel and spend time with his wife, and he also likes to golf.

Sports that he was involved in: football, wrestling, golf, and he was a cheerleader for the Iowa Hawkeyes basketball and football teams.

High school: North Tama

College: University of Iowa

Todd became the athletic trainer at Marion High School when he was contacted by his other job. Todd said that he wanted to be a trainer because he was injured in high school a lot and he wanted to help people. This is Todd's second year as Marion's athletic trainer and he takes his job very seriously. Marion greatly appreciates Todd's help and care.



Todd performs some of his duties as the athletic trainer at Marion High School. His "office" is located by the wrestling room at the back of the Red Gym. Although he spends a fair amount of time going to all the athletic events, he still has time to spend with his wife.



12 Senior Interviews

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Name: Kristina McCusker
Activity: Track/Journalism
Other activities: Softball, volleyball manager, FBLA, S.O.D.A, NCYL & NHS
Season highlight: In track, I will always remember the time that we were driving to Midland for a meet in the red van. All throwers went with Coach Clarke! It was pretty funny. We found out that the speedometer didn't work. Good times.



What do you like the most about your activity?: Well I really don't know to tell you the truth...I like having the boys and girls track meets and the bus rides home are pretty fun.

Best high school memory: Softball seasons! They're awesome! - The softball camp outs are always the best. Last year we had a hamburger and milk chugging contest. I felt so gross afterwards and all 5 people who did it, we ended up puking in the boys garbage cans around the baseball diamonds. It also smelled so bad because the wind was just right and it brought the smell back to haunt us! I think the unused milk sat in the cartons for about 1-2 weeks before they were "dumped."

What will you miss the most about Marion?: I will miss seeing everyone every day. I will miss talking to my friends and seeing the teachers. But most of all, I will miss playing sports here and the awesome coaches.

Future plans: To attend Clarke College in Dubuque IA, and major in secondary education, emphasizing in either mathematics or english.

Favorite quote or some advice to leave to the class of 2004: "Dream as if you'll live forever, dance like nobody's watching, love as if you'll never get hurt, and live as if you will die tomorrow."

Name: Tess Putnam
Activity: Soccer/Track
Other activities: Cross-Country, NHS, Take Charge, CHAMPS...lots of stuff

Season highlight: I guess last year for track it was going to the state meet. Our 4x800 team got 9th, three of us are back, and I'm excited for this year. Last year our soccer team made it farther than it ever had in districts.



What do you like most about your activity?: Finishing. After a long hard run, it feels good to be done. I feel like I accom-

plished something.

Best high school memory: It is hard to pick just one. A group of friends and I were at Tropical Snow and there were all these pigeons. Jessica Sauer saw one in distress, so she got a bag and a stick. She pushed it in the bag and we rushed it to her house where it recovered in her backyard. That night we watched "The Birds." By the way, we named it CA for Christina Aguilera (it was a fighter).

What will you miss the most about Marion?: The people

Future plans: Go to college somewhere and major in something.

Favorite quote or some advice to leave to the class of 2004: "You can't leave footprints in the sands of time sitting on your butt - and who wants to leave buttpoints in the sands of time?"

Name: Meggan Carter
Activity: Tennis
Other activities: Cantorei, Concert Chorale, Jazz choir, fall musical, S.O.D.A
Season Memory: Going to the tennis courts at night and playing with friends

What do you like most about your activity?: It is usually laid back and not too competitive within the team. Also, most of my friends are on the team, so it's really fun to participate in.

Best high school memory: Prom 2003

What will you miss the most about Marion?: Friends and all the activities

Future Plans: Attend UNI, get and English teaching degree, hope to teach high school english.

Favorite quote or some advice to leave to the class of 2004: "Live with kindness, live with caring. Live with faith and generous sharing. Live with truth, for when you do, all good things will return to you."



Name: John Likens
Activity: Track
Other activities: Student Senate, football, Creative Ink, band, and rockin' hard tasty abs washboard style behind my beautiful drums.

Season highlight: Running the streets of Marion and jumping over scared little kids walking home from the elementary schools.

What do you like the most about your activity?: I like the fact that you can work on a certain skill all season long and in the end you feel how all the hard work that you put in paid off, when it didn't feel like you did anything at all.

Future plans: I'll be stepping into the realm of the graphic arts at Iowa State next fall. After I graduate from there, I plan to run away with my B-E-A-Utilful new wife, Ashley Brown!

Best high school memory: I'd have to say some really great memories were of when Dane, Remy, Matias, Rhodes, and all of us guys would go to the local McDonalds. Something would always happen, and we would laugh so hard that some of us (me) would end up spitting our McChickens out all over the table.

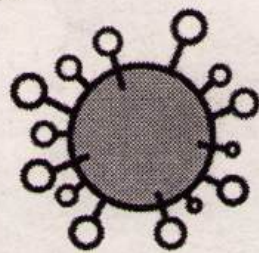
What will you miss the most about Marion?: I will definitely miss getting rides to school every morning from my mom. Plus begging my friends for money and rides home all the time. The thing I will miss the most will have to be messing around and acting like an idiot with that Ashley Brown hottie!

Favorite quote or something to leave to the class of 2004: "Here's to the crazy ones. The misfits. The rebels. The troublemakers. The round heads in the square holes. The ones who see things differently. They're not fond of rules. You can quote them. Disagree with them. Glorify or vilify them. But the only thing you can't do is ignore them. Because they change things. They push the human race forward. And while some may see them as the crazy ones, we see genius. Because the people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do."



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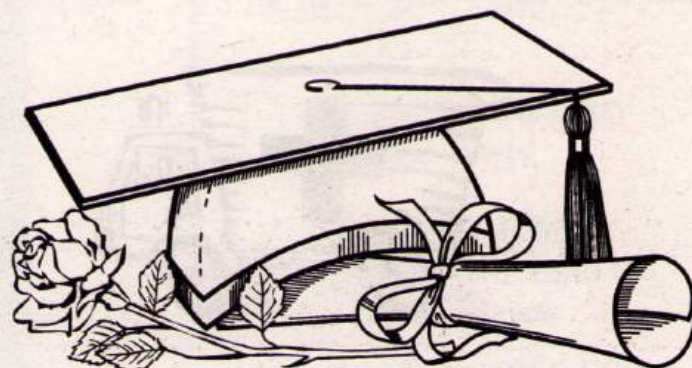


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Name: Sara Reynolds
Activity: Track
Other activities: Cheerleading, NHS, NCYL, Take Charge
Season highlight: Getting first place at Wartburg and winning the t-shirt on my birthday.



What do you like the most about your activity?: The bus rides, eating honey bees because they make me fly, and high jumping!

Future plans: To attend Mt. Mercy and major in Nursing.

Best high school memory: Tying the school record after jumping 5'3" at West Delaware, and going to state for high jump and shuttle hurdle last year.

What will you miss the most about Marion?: My friends and the teachers.

Favorite quote or some advice to leave to the class of 2004: Have fun while you're here, because these four years really do go fast.

Name: Sara McGrew
Activity: Journalism and tennis
Other activities: Take Charge, girls soccer manager, SODA, FBLA, Lean On Me, CHAMPS, volunteering, concert choir, spring play, fall musical, NHS



Season highlight: Practices every day are the highlight for me in tennis. We just goof off and have fun (Nicole's "Super Freak" dance, throwing rackets, hitting people with tennis balls). In journalism, we don't really have seasons, but one of the highlights has to be when Ms. Martin always told Cam that she hated him, because he kept on taking her picture.

What do you like most about your activity: In tennis, I love how Coach McNutt still doesn't know us and he never shows up to the meetings. In journalism, I love it when people tell us they liked the latest issue of The Vox and Barnd. We all love Barnd.

Best high school memory: Hm...freshman year band/choir trip to Florida (Lindsey falling on the ground and Nathan with the buckets of ice), sophomore year and rigging the couch contest during the basketball game with Jenny and Taylor, the WPA fire, going to London/Paris over the summer between junior and senior year and Andrew from the Jack the Ripper tour, junior year band/choir trip to San Antonio ("Keep your head erect!" according to Tim), and prom last year.

Future plans: Attend Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa for four years and major in Communication Arts: Print media (Journalism). Then move to one of the coasts to pursue a career in journalism.

Favorite quote or some advice to leave to the class of 2004: Kurt Cobain once said, "It's better to burn out brightly than to fade away..." That's something I live by.

Name: Hilary Meeks
Activity: Journalism and golf
Other activities: Volleyball
Season highlight: When I did really well on the back 9 at Gardner.



What do you like most about your activity: When we have all day meets that we have to wake up early and leave by 6:30am.

Best high school memory: Homecoming week this year and traveling with people to all the football games.

What will you miss the most about Marion?: Some people and not having to worry about doing very much work.

Future plans: Attend UNI or Iowa

Favorite quote of some advice to leave to the class of 2004: Live life to the fullest and don't have any regrets.

ATTENTION ALL SENIORS:

If any of you have pictures from elementary school or middle school, please turn into Ms. Martin's room, Room 22, ASAP. They will be featured in the last and final issue of The Vox, which is dedicated to the seniors. Thanks!

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Endurance, Stamina and High Hopes

By: Kristina McCusker

Track and Field: a sport for individuals who have endurance, stamina, and high hopes and dreams to achieve anything that their minds are set to.

It's official! The Marion Girl's Track and Field team is underway. Practices officially started on March 1st, after a meeting to prepare everyone for the upcoming season. Around 35 girls have signed up to be included on the team, compared to fourty girls last year. Again, Coach Gaffney-Paige, Coach Ferguson and Coach Clark have taken on the positions of the track and field coaches. They have many goals of taking even more girls to the State Track Meet to compete for the title at the end of the season. Last year, there were 12 of the talented young girls on the team last year, who attended the State meet that competed in high jump, the 800, 1500, and 3000 running events, the 4x800, the 4x100, the Distance Medley, along with the

Shuttle Hurdle.

Some of the athletes out for the track and field team have been preparing ever since the begining of the school year, maybe even before. We could say that many of the athletes are very dedicated to the team. They enjoy the sport, therefore, they work hard so they can succed in the end. Some of the girls that weren't out for a winter sport, attended the pre-season workouts that consisted of the mile loops, speed and agility workouts, and also weight lifting.

The time and effort put in before and during the season is going to pay off for the girls on the track and field team! Every single girl on the team is very hard working and dedicated to the sport and their individual events. The state track meet is calling our name!



Finishing Strong

By: Clancy Quinn

The Marion boys basketball team finished the season the way they knew they could. Winning three out of their last four games, Marion proved they were a force to be reckoned with. They came up short though in their district game against a tough opponent, Maquoketa. The Indians kept the fans glued to their seats right up until the end, when the Cardinals pulled away 61-47. The Indians were led by senior Jamie Bolsinger with 18 points. The season was full of supprises and it had its many ups and downs. One thing for sure though was that this team played its heart out every game and didn't quit til that final buzzer sounded. All of the seniors had a



great season and they will be greatly missed.



Senior Chas Raeside goes up for a layup as seniors D.J. Engle and Ben Remington watch on. All three of these seniors were chosen to be the team's varsity captains.



Junior Curt Hansen dribbles towards a Linn-Mar opponent. The Indians played tough, but fell short in the end.



Sophomore Ben Messerli prepares to take a shot as members of the team watch on. This is Messerli's first year on varsity.

PUTTING FOR SUCCESS

By: Amanda Smith

With the start of girls golf practice on March 15, the whole team has many things to look forward to. It's the first year of the new enlarged conference. With 12 teams now, instead of nine, it will bring variety and a challenge, with the disadvantage of never competing against some of the teams before. The new conference will also bring two new meets, an East Division meet at Dewitt and a "super meet" with all 12 teams in Vinton.

This season Marion girls golf has hit a record number of participants. There are 17 girls signed up, which is more than Coach Martin has had in his four years of coaching and unlike last season, there are seven returning letterwinners. "I'm excited because it's the largest number we've ever had! We also have experience which is the biggest difference, because last year we only had two returning letterwinners

and all the others lacked experience," commented Coach Martin.

With girls golf heading in the right direction, the girls would like to have Marion golf bags to give them the confidence booster they need. Therefore, two fundraisers are being done to raise money. The girls sold Krispy Kreme cards and they will be starting to sell golf passes to local courses.

The girls kick off their season on April 13 at Anamosa's Fawn Creek. Coach Martin has great expectations and has set his goals high, "My goal is to win a meet. Last year Anamosa beat us by two strokes and I feel that with our experience this year, we could beat them. I'd also like to see us break 200 in a dual, we have enough home meets that we should be able to accomplish that."



LASTING MEMORIES

By: Kristina McCusker

The night of their first district game, the Marion girls were faced with one of the best basketball teams in the state, Anamosa. This game was one of their hardest competition of the season. The girls came in with the determination that they needed to win the game, but they fell short in the end. Many would have asked for the night to end a different way, but things happen for a reason. The two seniors had a night to remember.

They will never forget their senior season of basketball. Their final record was 4-17, not the best, but the record doesn't matter. The record doesn't say anything about the bond between the girls. These girls were very hard working and very determined athletes who competed hard in each and every game. They would never give up. Even though the season has ended, the memories will always stay within.



Senior Jena Hugg defends an opponent during a home game. Hugg is also one of the three varsity captains.



The girls' varsity basketball team comes together during one of the last games of the season. Even though their record wasn't the best, a lot came out of the season including many good memories.



Senior Sarah Weston picks up the ball during the game versus Linn-Mar. Not only a senior, Weston is also one of the varsity captains.



STATE CHAMPS

By: Brock Holub

The boys bowling team had its ups and downs all season long, but hey, they got it all together at the sub-state and state tournaments. The boys bowling team had the chance to compete at the state bowling tournament. When doing that, they brought home the championship trophy after barely beating Louisa Muscatine by four pins in the final match. So to sum things up, the boy's bowling team competed hard and in the end, all that hard work paid off.

Not Enough Experience

By: Jenny Fager

The girls bowling team was very fortunate in having a huge turn-out this year. There were enough girls to fill a varsity and JV team, the number of girls almost tripled from last year. The only unfortunate thing was that only about half the girls had a lot of experience. While the JV team came out winning a few meets, the varsity girls team had a difficult time getting the winning scores they needed. However, the girls worked hard to prove themselves as bowlers, and had a lot of fun doing it. The team will lose 4 seniors, so next year the JV girls will have a chance to step up into a varsity position. With a little more experience and hard work, the girls will work toward their ultimate goal of someday going to state.

New Beginnings

After a successful season last year, the boy's track and field team has five returning state qualifiers. The season is looking hopeful with a lot of newcomers and also a lot of returning varsity members.

"I can not wait until the first meet so we all can show off our talent. After being named First Team All-State last year, I hope this year we will have some athletes become State Champs," stated senior Dane Anderson.

Also returning for the coaching staff, the boys have Coach Immerfall, Coach Zrudsky, Coach Thomason, and Coach Clark. The coaches push these determined athletes to work hard each and every practice.

"Even with districts this year, I think we will have a lot of people qualify for a chance to compete in the state meet in Des Moines. Hopefully some of the younger kids will step up and help us become conference champions," quoted senior D.J. Engle.

Tennis Preview

The Marion girl's tennis team started practice on March 15th. At the time, 40 girls had signed up for the season, which is about ten more than last year. The girls are looking forward to a successful season, much like last year, because they are returning all of their varsity members except for two girls. Practice will be everyday until their first meet on April 10th at Davenport Assumption.



State Bound Once Again

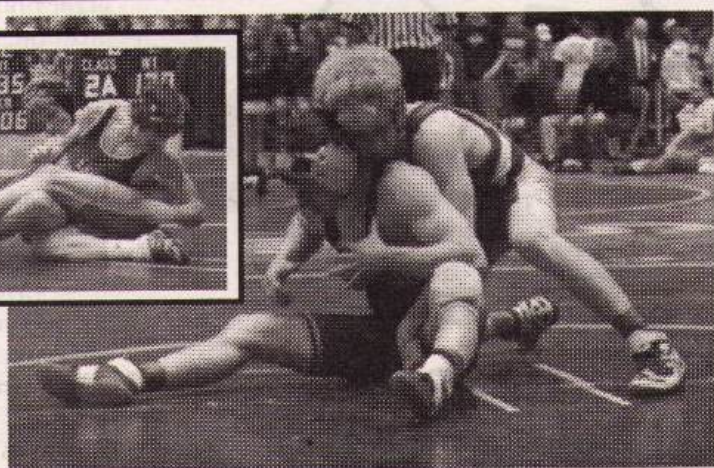
By: Andrew Barnd

Marion wrestling ended the regular season with an acceptable record of 5-4. As a team, they ended up third at sectionals and sixth at districts. As they were led by seniors the whole season, some of the younger wrestlers stepped up to take leadership roles. In fact, none of the three state qualifiers from Marion were seniors. This is the first time this has happened since the 1997-1998 season when nobody qualified at all. This year, Marion was represented well by sophomores Joey Swanson and Austin Conway.

Sophomore Joey Swanson competes with his opponent during one of his wrestling matches. Swanson was one of the three wrestlers that traveled up to Des Moines for the tournament.



State Qualifier Austin Conway wrestles his opponent during a match at Vets Memorial Stadium. Austin placed 8th place in his weight class. Many students, along with parents and dedicated fans, came down to watch the wrestlers compete in the tournament.



Junior Kody Blazek returned to the State Tournament once again for the second time of his high school career. Blazek had some tough competition and placed second in the 125 weight class.

Conway, as well as by junior Kody Blazek. Conway went on to finish in eighth place, while Blazek did even better. He pinned top-ranked Boone Hayes to go on to finals where he ended up getting second.

One of the highlights of the season for the team was taking first place at the Mid-Prairie tournament. Honors were awarded to different wrestlers this year.

Kody Blazek, Joey Swanson, and senior Danny Rhodes received 1st Team All-Metro, and Austin Conway and senior Eric Steffes got Honorable Mention All-Metro.



Kicking It Around

By: Valerie Crutchley

Last year was a great year for the Indians girls' soccer team. They had a 10-3 regular season record and advanced to the second round of districts. However, the squad lost 11 players from last year due to their graduating. So many things will change this year. The line-up will probably flip around quite a bit. And it may work right away, but it could also take awhile. Many experienced players are returning however and the newcomers are ready to step it up. Coach Humbert said that she wants "to be WaMaC champs this year. Maybe we could even go for district champs.."



She is very excited for the season. The girls season kicks off on Monday, April 5th with the Metro Jamboree held at Marion this year.

High Expectations

By: Valerie Crutchley

The boys soccer team only lost a few players due to graduation this past year. And now the younger players have more experience playing at the varsity level. They have learned how to work well together. They do face a challenge however. There is a new head coach, Coach Foote. He is a teacher at Cedar Valley Christian school. This is a challenge because Coach Foote will have different methods of coaching from the last head coach, Jim Conklin.



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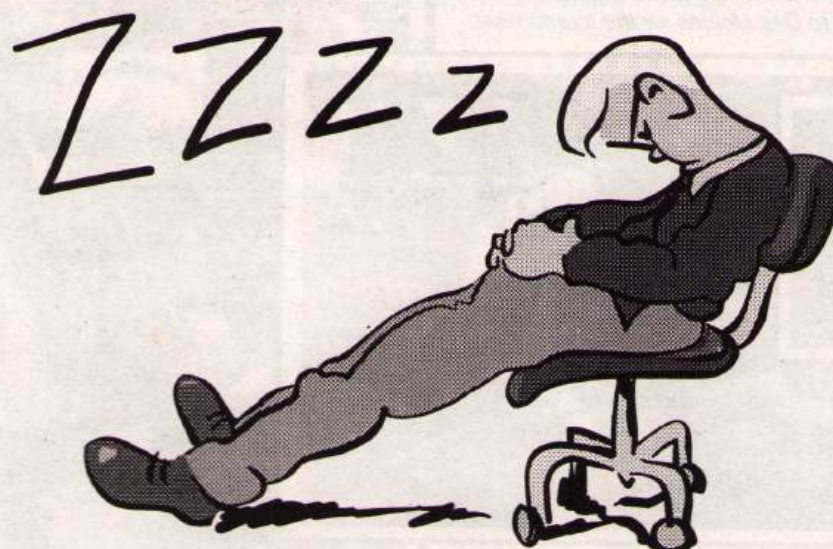
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In Your Dreams

By: Ashley Evans and Nicole Cox

Have you ever had a dream that you came to school naked? Maybe you dream about falling off a cliff. These various dreams are said to be your self conscience revealing hidden meanings. They are true meanings of what you really feel. Dreams are the only way you have to express your true desires.

There many common dreams that people have. One of them involves being in front of a crowd naked. This means that things are about to improve. Falling signifies fear in real life, like failing at school, work, or relationships. It's a dream that often occurs when the dreamer is feeling misunderstood or not accepted in a situation. Marriage is a sign that you are involved with something that will come to no good. Be-



ing chased means that you will live a long life.

Every dream is unique and dif-

ferent. In order to decode dreams, you need to first remember them. Some helpful tips are: interrupting early and

late sleep cycles, stimulating the back of the brain, and to develop the right attitude. The ideal position for a good night's sleep is on the right hand side. Any kind of drug diminishes the amount of dream time.

- A dream that is reaccuring shows us the weak and strong points of our personality. Once it's resolved, the repetitive dream stops.

- We sleep a third of each day. By the time we're 75, we've slept for 25 years and dremt for 10.

- The simple things like shopping and eating take just as long in a dream as they do in real life.

- In complicated dreams, you only see the highlights of the dream.

Keeping all of this in mind, an analysis of students' dreams was done.

"I was at this store with Nick and Clancy. We all stole clothes, and when we went to return them, I pushed the old lady cashier down." - Brady Quinn

Be warned that stealing means you could be out of money soon. But if you get caught its a sign of good luck. New clothing means you'll soon have a fight with a member of your family. Pushing anything means you'll be able to overcome your troubles by yourself. The harder you push, the greater will be your success in solving the problems.

"There was a pirate in my house standing in my hallway. It was walking around. I was scared it was going to eat my brothers. During this, I thought I was awake the entire time." - Ben Messerli

The appearance of the pirate tells that you're tempted to start something new in your life. If the hallway he was standing in was short, there will be a period of worry in your life. If it's a longer hallway, expect changes to occur. If you were walking around with ease you will win an easy victory, but if you were stumbling around, only hard work will help you overcome your difficulties. Worrying about your brothers reveals that you are about to do something brave.

"I had three days to live. When i got to heaven, the Pope threw me a goodbye party." - Jenny Fager

An experience in heaven means changes are on the way which you won't take to at first. The pop signifies problems with your partner will soon disappear. The party is a sign that you won't be making much money in the near future.

"My mom made goulash for dinner, then I went outside to cut the grass. I ate four-leaf clovers." - Ashley Cory

The goulash signals that party time is around the corner. The clovers are a sign that everything in your life will be good.

"I was a Power Ranger." - Matt Holland

Envisioning your childhood hero says you feel unwanted. You will have a situation in the future where you will need to be confident but the Power Ranger signifies there may be a problem accomplishing this confidence.

"Dustin, Miles, Garrett and I were climbing rocks. It was going great. Then the rocks fell on us, but we survived. Then I woke up." - Dane Anderson

Climbing means you think your worries are impossible to achieve. They're not. Specifically, climbing rocks means your desires are about to be fulfilled.



"There were scary monsters attacking me. They were big, hairy, and had massive teeth."

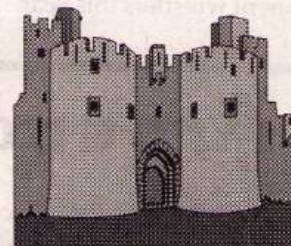
- Jordan Krueger

Monsters in a dream are not a good sign. If a monster attacks you, it suggests you have been bitterly disappointed lately. You'll get over it.



"I was in Starry school when all of the sudden, the fire alarms started going off. I tried walking, but I couldn't. I had to crawl, and people were stepping all over me." - Brittany Ivey

The sign of fire signifies a period of renewal but with a certain amount of painful renewal. Crawling means that only hard work will help you overcome your difficulties.



"I always have this reoccurring dream that I'm in a dungeon, and it's a maze. Someone is chasing me, and I can't find my way out." - Kailee Jordan

If you were stuck, you should try and change your plans. Escape try and change your plans. Escape and things will go well but only after a lot of hard work. Being chased shows you'll live until a very old age.

"I was walking in a neighborhood of mushroom houses and this gigantic koala bear, life-sized, came up to me. Then I knew the mushroom house was a funeral home." - Anonymous

From the mushroom houses, it seems that you'll make a bit of money by clever speculation. The kuala bear shows that no bad luck will come anytime soon in your life. Surprisingly, the funeral home means news of a wedding of engagement is coming.



"I was dancing and singing on the cafeteria tables, Broadway style." - Anonymous

Dancing in public means there will soon be a meeting that could change your life forever. Singing shows you're cheerful at the moment but worries are right around the corner. Still, they won't last long. If you were singing harmoniously, you can expect a fabulous fortune to come your way.