Student center plans revised, student services office restructured

by Stacey Nicholas

In the past few weeks changes have been made in plans regarding the building of a separate student center and the structure of the student affairs office.

"The only thing we know is that if we have to wait to get the money for a new building there's probably nobody currently on this campus who will be using a student center; therefore, I thought it was particularly important to try to do something because I do think of it as a very high priority," said President Daniel Felicetti while explaining the change from constructing a new building to using a current building.

"We have three architectural firms coming to campus on February 8, 13, and 15 to give us assessment of our options in regards to a student center from existing facilities, but also looking at the renovation of the campus as a whole," Felicetti continued.

The three firms are from Indianapolis and previously presented the college with the three strongest renovation proposals. When asked if St. Francis Hall would be the student center, Felicetti responded, "We have no plans at present for any particular building being used as a student center. We don't know what the architects are going to suggest."

Felicetti further noted, "I don't see us spreading student center activities among various buildings. It's got to be in a central location for students to effectively enjoy it."

Staff reorganization in the Student Af-

fairs office has resulted in the new full-time position of student activities director. Dean for Student Affairs, William Woodman, felt that the new position will "strengthen the professional staff support for the student activities program." Currently, Mike Henderson spends his time divided equally between student activities and intramurals. He is also compensated for teaching a few P. E. courses and as golf coach. He volunteers as an

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Math error reveals budget deficit

by Tina Kunkler

An arithmetical error leading to an unbalanced 1990-91 budget has presented a major challenge to the Marian College community as it rolls into the 1990's.

A $460,000 addition error in the 1989-90 budget was announced at the Jan. 23 College Council and explained further at the Jan. 30 Open College Forum. When computing salaries, two numbers were added resulting in a smaller sum than the original numbers.

The error has led to a deficit in that amount. This deficit can be assumed into the operating budget for the next year, according to Don Fleming, Chief Financial Officer.

"We've got the money," said Dr. Daniel Felicetti, College President, at the open forum. "It's not a problem of money. We have no immediate crisis in terms of cash."

Fleming has taken steps to correct this mistake in the 1990-91 budget.

Factors considered in addressing the deficit in the 1990-91 budget as outlined by Fleming include: a 9.9 percent increase in tuition and room and board, use of the $100,000 contingency fund, the funding of new programs, new positions, and salary increases, keeping the departmental budgets at or near the same dollar amount as last year, and using gift sources for major capital budget items.

Potential sources for added income on the 1990-91 budget include another 1.0 percent increase in enrollment, gifts and grants, and usage of auxiliary enterprises.

This budget has not been approved by the Marian Board of Trustees, however, parts of it have been approved tentatively to allow for operation of the college.
The "Rights" of Smokers?

by Dallice Hessclgrave

Life. Freedom. Justice. These are rights. Driving a car. Going to a particular college. Drinking alcohol. These are privileges. What is the difference?

Rights should not be taken away from any person for any reason (although, in many parts of the world, people are still not able to act on these rights). A privilege, on the other hand, can and should be taken away if a person does not use the responsibility that goes with that privilege, especially when it interferes with another person. In acting out a right, in itself, it does not interfere with anyone else. By me living, I do not take away anyone's rights or privileges. On the other hand, actions (privileges) I take while I am living might.

If you drink alcohol excessively and then drive a car, have an accident and kill someone, you have not only interfered with that person's privilege of driving a car, but their right to live. Since you could not drive (or drink) responsibly, these privileges are taken away.

In this sense, I believe that smoking is a privilege, not a right, as some people claim. Even the government sees this as a privilege, if they did not, minors would be allowed to buy tobacco products. Rights have no age limits, whether you are 9 or 90, you should be allowed life, freedom, and justice. When it comes to privileges, it is another story. Nine year-olds are not allowed to drive, drink, and seldom attend any college.

Another reason smoking is a privilege, is that it does have the possibility of interfering with other people. Smoking also has certain responsibilities, which if not acted upon, should keep that person from the privilege of smoking.

Smoking does not always interfere with others, most of the smokers I know are very careful not to offend myself or others and I very much respect their privilege to smoke. I do believe when I am in my own living area, I have the option of asking someone else not to smoke, but I also respect that person's privilege of smoking in their living area. It is not respectful of a smoker to enter their house and ask them to not smoke.

Since I do believe that every human being has the right to breathe clean air (as clean as is possible), I think that smoking should be contained to specific areas of public buildings. If people want to go there to smoke that is their option, but nonsmokers would not have the option to go into these areas and ask for anyone to stop smoking. I think these areas should be areas other than bathrooms, hallways, stairwells, classrooms, and entire eating areas. I do think that there should be at least one designated smoking area on each floor of a building, why should smokers have to go to the basement to smoke?

Most smokers I know would be willing to take these measures to keep from offending anyone (most of them already take similar measures). I respect the privilege of smoking, and believe in the right to breathe clean air. I think those of you who agree need to voice your opinion, if we don't, I'm afraid popular opinion will have us to believe that smoking is a right, and it is a privilege to breathe clean air.

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Senior profile

by Karen Murphy

Music. Theatre. Math. Since Cindy Kopenec came to Marian from Munster, Indiana, four years ago, she has certainly kept busy. This energetic senior believes her time has been well spent here. Kopenec remembers the day she visited Marian as a high school senior and why she chose to attend this college. “Everyone here was friendly and very helpful. Here I was just in high school and all these college students were saying ‘hi’ to me.”

Kopenec has been extremely active at Marian, especially in music and theatre. The math and music major has always been involved with the music groups, including four years in Chamber Singers and three years as Music Club President. She has held the offices of vice-president and treasurer of the Theatre Arts Guild as well as currently serving as president of Alpha Psi Omega, a theatre society group.

Kopenec’s currently involved with Campus Ministry and the St. Francis Hall Board.

The senior says the highlights of her college years were making the “Who’s Who” list this past semester and her Senior Voice Recital. She practiced for this recital all year and finally had her chance to perform on, Sunday, February 4, singing eight songs, most of which were solos.

What does the future hold for this talented senior? Kopenec would like to perform no matter where, be it community theatre or Broadway. “That’s my dream - Broadway!” she says with enthusiasm.

Kopenec’s advice to underclassmen is that of many wise seniors, “Get involved, a lot of students are unhappy with Marian because they haven’t found their nitch yet. Just try everything and find your nitch!” Kopenec certainly has found hers.

Cindy Kopenec

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assistant men's basketball coach.

Three major changes will occur under the reorganization. Cathy Bickel, Director of Resident Life and acting Resident Director of St. Francis Hall, will be able to live off campus as originally intended.

A national search will be conducted for a person capable of being both a director of student activities and a resident director of St. Francis Hall.

Henderson will assume the role of Director of Intramurals and will coach the women's varsity softball team. The sport was accepted on the varsity level at a fall cabinet meeting. Henderson's basketball duties will be formalized.

The activities director will report to Cathy Bickel. Woodman comments, "This will recognize the relationship between student activities and resident life... but is not ignoring the needs of commuter students."

For Woodman, a director would need to be energetic, creative, and love working with students.

Felicetti believes the person should be creative and sensitive to the needs of the students. The individual needs to "ask students what needs to be done rather than coming in with a personal agenda." The president adds that high energy and a sense of humor would also be beneficial.

Woodman concluded the interview by saying "student activity work is a distinct specialty in the field of student personnel."
February is here and Cupid’s arrows are in the air. The arrows will be flying at the Sweetheart Dance, which will be held Feb. 17 from 8-12pm in the Allison Mansion.

The dance is being sponsored by the sophomore class. Jamie Verbrugge, president, hopes the dance will be a success. Music will be provided by “The Splitz”. The cost per ticket is $15 a couple or $10 a single and go on sale in the cafe one week prior to the dance. Pictures and refreshments are included in the price.

ARA sponsors jalapeno contest

by Michael Rinard

“Break out the fire extinguisher!” “Get me more water!” These words could have been said last Thursday night at the evening meal in the cafe.

Three brave souls, Ray List, Mark Matthews, and Steve Hamilton did their best to see who could down the most Jalapeno peppers in one sitting. The contest was sponsored by Gail Nelson, Manager of ARA Food Services, during the Mexican Dinner night.

Several contestants dropped out just before the contest was to begin. The prize was a ten dollar gift certificate for the Knight Club, the newly opened snack bar in St. Francis Hall.

All three contestants were “urged” on by their coaches. Matthews managed to eat all ten of his peppers and drank ice water waiting for his competition to catch up. List finished second by downing seven of his peppers, while Hamilton only ate half of his to finish last. When asked if he would do it again, he replied, “yes, it was fun!”
Bickel announces changes in R.A. selection procedures

by Stacey Nicholas

"We are not here just to maintain, but to turn the burner up and enhance the students' living experience, particularly the R.A. experience," said Cathy Bickel, Director of Residence Life, while announcing changes in the Resident Assistant (R.A.) selection process.

The first step of the new process was the community questionnaire sent to resident students. The questionnaire asked on-campus students what qualities they consider most and least important in a good R.A.

Reflecting on the survey Bickel said, "We want student input into what type of students they would like to have as R.A.'s because they [R.A.'s] serve the students. This is in no way a reflection of the current R.A. staff, but it is exciting that there is so much potential here to be enhanced."

One section of the questionnaire asks for suggestions of current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors to be R.A. applicants. Each nominee will receive a letter from the director of student life office asking them to come to a general information meeting on Monday, February 19.

Applicants will no longer be interviewed twice by the residence life staff. "We wanted to do something different." Bickel explained, "Rather than the two interviews, applicants will be a part of a group experience (March 6). On an R.A. staff, the key element is to work together as a team. This program will enable us to see how well they react to working as a group."

Applicants will still go through one interview with the residence life staff from March 19-23. Selection and notification will be completed by March 28.

In summary, Bickel added, "I know there are a lot of students who say 'yes, I'd like to be an R.A., but it's too much hassle.' We want to provide a well-rounded experience, not just as disciplinarian, to the R.A. and give them skills that they can use in their life and in the job market."
Earth Day celebration promotes global thinking

by John J. Mathis

How would you celebrate the birthday of a critically ill patient? It could pass quietly or it could be the party of a lifetime. On April 22, over 80 countries will be celebrating Earth Day. This day was created in 1970 to raise the consciousness of the public about the well-being of our “Mother”.

On the twentieth anniversary of Earth Day, consider the following: the Greenhouse Effect, acid rain, toxic waste disposal, overcrowded landfills, and the deforestation of the Amazon. The list goes on and on.

The Biology department met recently and decided to participate in the ideal that Earth Day represents. Dr. Steve Kristoff said that plans were not definite, but some events under consideration are hikes, recycling campaigns, inviting environmental groups to campus, and planting trees.

On a larger scale, the City of Indianapolis, the Parks Department, and the League of Women Voters are combining efforts to sponsor an outdoor fair at Military Park on April 21. Janet Neltner from the League of Women Voters said, “We can point the finger [of responsibility] at anyone, including ourselves.” People need to “think globally, act locally.”

Some things that students can do to help are turning lights and appliances off when not in use, recycle aluminum cans, monitor water consumption, and properly inflate car tires. Improper inflation of car tires accounts for eight million gallons of fuel wasted each year.

If you want to help out locally or on the campus level, call the Earth Day Hotline at 356-2796 or Dr. Kristoff at ext.268.

Knights host basketball "double-header"

by Karen Murphy

It was a “double-header” for Marian basketball last Saturday. Both the women's and men's teams played Huntington College at home, the women at 1pm and the men immediately following.

There was definitely a team effort put forth by our Lady Knights, with four players sharing the high scores. Players, Heitz, Yonts, Spaulding, and Leary each contributed eight points to the game. Not far behind were Woods with seven, Bessler with six (two 3-pointers), and Kiel with four.

Although the game was close at halftime (30-24), one player admitted, “It was an off day for us,” and Marian lost to Huntington 79-49. The Lady Knight's record is now 5 and 9.

Shortly thereafter, the men's team chalked up another victory, beating Huntington 98-73. The Knights were led to victory by Rick Russell, scoring 33 points, and by Mark “Bones” Roberts with 29. The two teams had been tied in the MCC (Mid-Central Conference) before Saturday, but they are no longer. The Knights have a winning record of 14-6.

Marian provided a hospitality room for the players and the parents to enjoy snacks and drinks downstairs after the game.
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The Sisters of St. Francis of Oldenburg, Indiana invite you to a Day of Prayer with the theme “Contemplating the Holy in the Ordinary,” led by Sister Annata Holohan, OSF on Saturday, February 17 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Olivia Hall on the grounds of the Motherhouse in Oldenburg. Cost is $10 including the noon meal. Please bring a Bible and a journal if you have them. For more information or to register, please contact Sister Maureen Irvin, OSF / Sisters of St. Francis/ Oldenburg, IN 47036 (812) 934-2475 or (812) 934-5016.

Want to make a difference in someone’s life? Volunteer your time and talents to Methodist Hospital Hospice Program’s Home Care Support and Bereavement Teams. Application deadline is February 23, 1990. For more information, please call Volunteer Services Department at 929-8758. Thank you.

Square Dancing Class is being offered in St. Francis Lounge, Rm. 136, every Wed. 6-7 p.m. No partner is needed. Come and try it this Wednesday. For more information, call ext. 325.

There will be a Junior Recital on Feb. 9 at 7:30pm in Allison. Featured will be John J. Mathis, Melissa Skelton, and Michelle Probst. Everyone is welcome.

Knightly notes

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