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Marian Baseball -- Root, Root, Root for the Home Team

by Karen Murphy

Coach Bret Shambaugh and his Knights are well into the '91 spring baseball season and they're working hard every day. You might have heard the crack of a bat or the roar of the players (there is hardly a "crowd") while walking outside between classes. The sound comes from the baseball field just yonder behind the tennis courts and St. Francis Hall. Next time you hear it, head out front if only for a few innings. They need your support.

The team holds a 5-4 record with 8 games that have been rained out. One of the big challenges this season without the Knights arc well into the '91 spring tennis court and St. Francis Hall. baseball season and they're working hard every day. You might hardly a "crowd") while the roar of the player (there is another "crowd") can be heard from the bleachers.

Women's Softball: A field of change & challenge

by N.M. Gasco

Nursing programs have their advantages and disadvantages. Linda McKeon, a Marian student originally from Dallas Texas, will have obtained her ASN in May of '92. She's currently working for Community East's Brain Tumor Unit. But she's also planning to continue her education at Marian to earn a psychology degree as well as a BSN. She started out from the bottom, as an aid, and worked her way up. During that time, she's had the opportunity to share her experiences, viewpoints and complaints with other nursing students. Nurses are desperately needed in these tough times. With an ever increasing stressed out population, with more new diseases such as AIDS, and with competition from the military which pay nurses twice as much, hospitals offer scholarships and promise of a financially secure future. Yet, once student nurses take that first big step, they find out that they don't realize that the school nursing programs aren't a realistic preparation for the outside world.

One day in a nursing school, a student is given 1-2 patients to care for. This is due to the limitations of the classroom. Each instructor is responsible for not only 10 students, but for 10 patients as well. However, once these student graduates, they find themselves responsible for a far greater number. Linda was, at one point, a head nurse for 52 patients.

She sees the 4 year programs for RNs as being more unrealistically than the 2 year LPNs based on the amount of hands-on experience received in the latter. Both RNs and LPNs take the exact same state board test. Yet their difference in wages can be any- where from $3.50-5.00 an hour. The main difference is that an RN is expected to possess a gen- erial, leadership, physiological, and psychosocial skills while the LPN is mainly a bed-side nurse. However, with many hospitals moving towards primary nursing, that is, one nurse being responsible for so many patients 24 hours a day from the time of admission to dismissal- the differences be- tween an RN and LPN are decreasing.

To Linda, the Diploma Nurse Program, which used to be offered through Wishart, Methodist, and UU, was one of the best as far as hands-on prepara- tion and training. It was a three year program, unfortunately since abandoned, that trained and prepared excellent patient care givers for hospitals. Some other big changes in the nursing field involve incentive pay and reimbursement for RNs and LPNs. These new programs were designed to gen- erate prospective nurses and consisted of paying bonuses to nurses who provided the hospital with referrals. One reason for these cuts is that the DRCs (Diagnosed Related Guidelines) limit the stay for elderly people to 5-10 days, as dic- tated by their insurance. This means less money for the hospital and, ultimately, for its nursing staff.

With the development of agen- cies, which are temporary nurs- ing services offered to people wanting private assistance and care, an LPN or RN can make up to $40 an hour for private duty. According to many nursing students like Linda, the best benefits can be found in nursing homes. These include tuition reimbursement and scholarship and health, life and dental insurance. However, the state limits the number of staff allowed per nurs­ ing home.

A change encouraged especially by psychiatric institutions, is the increasing amount of men be- coming prime targets for the nursing field. One reason for this is they are physically stronger and can therefore better handle combative patients. Also, many patients request treatment by a nurse of the same sex. The nursing field is constantly changing, but always in demand. However, many students don't' realize that the hard work behind the lure of the money. Linda pointed out that it's important to know "the facts and realistic expectations of what you'll be expected to do within the scope of your field." This means, graduation, stu- dents should follow a practical nurse with realistic expectations they can watch and absorb the techniques, managerial style and understanding your environment as well as the Fear of Failure equals success.

In our world today, we aren't exactly taught that failure is something positive. Dr. Parker stressed that positive failure is when one learns from the mis- take, takes responsibility, and negative would be saying "I'm sorry I did that." He continued to "Awe" the auditorium with his story of a college history professor who was a big obstacle for him during his higher education.

The response of the crowd after his speech, it would be safe to say that the whispers heard while exiting the room were quite contrary to those in the beginning.

I personally put my hands to- gether for Sister Norma and the administration for a superb con­ vocation. Dr. Parker has hope- fully left a positive impact on the family at Marian College. For those of you who missed this incredible experience (or those of you like myself who would love to re-live the moment) I'll be happy to share you the videotape of his speech.

To conclude, I leave one of Dr. Parker's many words of advice, "Work hard, play and play hard."
**Letters to the editor**

**Graduation**

It has recently come to our attention that due to the Show House, grad nation is going to be held in the gym. Why didn’t the senior class have input in this decision?

There was only one senior representative on the graduation committee and she was, more or less, told where and when the location of the ceremony and left with no alternatives.

As seniors, we feel we should have a say as to what will take place during the graduation ceremony and where it will be held. We also think our opinion could be better heard of there was more than one representation on the graduation committee.

Seniors, if you would like your opinion on graduation to be heard, contact one of the senior class representatives.

Annette Brinkman
Peggy Buck

**Vending machines**

Recently I have had trouble with the vending machines located both in Clare Hall and in the Canteen. For some reason, I have to insert my change over and over again (as I fight starvation and risk being late to class) before it finally acceptable. Because on gives me a snack. But, after going through all of this trouble, I end up getting a candy bar that is hardly edible or appetizing. Is there any way this can be prevented? After all, other vending machines don’t have to be kept in an air-conditioned room just to prevent their candy from melting. Are these types of machines perhaps out of date or is there some solution to this rather trivial but annoying problem?

Like most commuter students, I rarely have the opportunity to eat three meals a day and often depend on such snacks to carry me through the day.

-a hungry commuter

**Mail -- campus addresses**

If you are moving off campus, send your new address to those who correspond with you; cancel newspapers and magazines. Then we won’t have to keep them. Space in the mail room for storage is not available.

Thank you,
Sister Rosemary Lee

**Where is the support for your school publication?**

May the force be with us -- somebody has to.

Lately I hear the complaints drifting down the halls concerning The Carbon. Yet, when Chicken Little asks “Who will help me bake the bread -- or in this case, who will help me write The Carbon?” What’s the response? “Not me.”

Are these complaints justified? Many people complain who haven’t even read The Carbon. How can one judge anything which he knows nothing about? For those who have read the Carbon -- Bravo! These are the people who are in the position to offer constructive criticism. But, I’m afraid, not enough.

How can a student decide whether an article is good or bad if he is not reading high-quality journalism program with which to compare it to? For these people I offer a challenge; put your money where your mouth is.

For those not aware, The Carbon started out as an underground paper. What happened to the actual school paper? I’m glad you asked. It received no support from the college, according to an English professor here, and was left to die. As I see it, The Carbon is in for a similar fate, only this time there is no underground paper to take its place.

My concern? What happened to the once existing journalism program? It strikes me as most ironic that a college with such a brilliant and inspiring English department could allow such a thing to happen. Why is there still a “journalism” sign posted on the outside of Kangas Hall when there is nothing on the inside to justify this? Will there ever be a journalism program at Marian again? Will student involved in such a program actually be able to earn credits for their dedication or will it for example, require freshmen students to work on their school paper. There are even high schools which produce, with the support of their journalism programs, monthly magazines. They consist of a whole department of editors, photographers, and reporters. These examples should us to shame.

If Marian is indeed now opening the door for a broadcasting program, could a journalism program possibly follow? Some may wonder, what the importance of a journalism program is. A study by the Time Mirror Center for People and the Press reports that “Americans under 30 years of age know less and care less about news and public affairs than any other generation of the past 50 years and are less likely to vote.” I suppose one reason for the decline in print journalism interest can be blamed on the high-salaried, prima donna TV newscasters giving diger-type news to busy consumers in neat, pre-made package. But, the glossed over, made up facade of the politician for example, is not exactly news in newspapers. Hopefully, the demise of papers will not occur and the importance and power of the printed world will not be lost.

It is not to say that this letter is addressing everyone, for to do so would be unfair to those who have put forth their time, effort, support, and endless abundance of energy into our school publication. While it may not be the ideal paper one would like to envision, these people have maintained a certain pride and satisfaction in what some would label a lost cause. These people include, but not limited to, all of the Carbon staff writers who have taken the time to share their ideas and talents. It is, rather, a challenge put to those who criticize, and rightfully so. If John F. Kennedy would say if he were here, “Ask not what your college can do for you. Ask what you can do for your college, for how can the college function if we as the students do not?”

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Marian Joins Circle K International

by CKI member, Fadi Khoury

In 1933, Circle K International (CKI) was instituted as a fraternity at Washington State College by the Kiwanis Club of Pullman, Washington. Since 1933, that one original club has grown into nearly 500 clubs throughout North America, Caribbean, and 35 countries, with 275,000 students affiliated through the world.

Circle K is the organization that holds the promise of today's college student becoming tomorrow's leader. It exists to meet the personal needs of the individual college student. Kiwanians are also aware of the importance of Circle K's success. There are opportunities to meet college students from your own city, or from seven other cities.

Kiwanis is a worldwide service organization for professional and business leaders. Each Circle K member is sponsored by a local Kiwanis Club. The sponsorship is a result of Kiwanis concern that all people should be active citizens. CKI provides a vehicle for college students to be involved and that involvement.

Circle K Clubs are self-governing and to a large extent self-financing, working independently of the Kiwanis Club. Each Club is encouraged to analyze its local situation and determine how its environment can best be served. Clubs are also encouraged to provide you with practical experience in the area of leadership development through seminars and workshops and by holding club, district and international meetings.

In addition, there are opportunities to help mankind through service to disadvantaged youth, national charities, and developing nations to name just a few.

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The first candidates' ticket was announced on Wednesday, March 12 for the upcoming Marian College Student Association (MCSA) election. The following candidates have joined as a ticket so that each position is filled with a qualified individual.

Jim Moer, 1989-90 and 1990-91 MCSA Treasurer, will be running for President of MCSA. Moer is a junior accounting and business major.

Susan Trath will be running with Moer as Vice-President. Trath is currently the Sophomore Class President and majoring in psychology. She served as Freshman Class President for the 1989-90 term. Bidding for the Secretary's position is Jordi Till. Till is a sophomore majoring in nursing and currently serving as Sophomore Class Representative.

Mary Davis, a sophomore, is running for the Student Affairs Representative of College Council position. Davis is an accounting major.

Running for Academic Affairs Representative of College Council is Sean Gallagher, who currently holds this position. Gallagher is a sophomore majoring in accounting.

The Commuter Representative candidate is Barbara Genovese, a junior English major, and Marie Torndone is a sophomore sociology major. The MCSA Elections are to be held Tuesday and Wednesday, March 26 and 27. All students are encouraged to vote.

Top 10 Pick Up Lines at a Marian Party

10. So, how 'bout those Knights? What's your major?
9. Why are you in my humanities class? Oh, Natural Science? Theorem? Oh, that's just as well as Orientation. You were there weren't you?
8. What's a fun girl like you doing at a party like this?
7. I heard accounting majors have all the fun.
6. My dorm or yours?
5. Oh, I see how you are.
3. Didn't you come to the last party? Ya, that wild one four weeks ago.
2. Do you have a car?

by Krissy Abel

Small Talk

Diary of Spring Break

The sky was clear. The wind was blowing 45 miles an hour. So much for the beach. We paid for three meters and laid out in the parking lot. Elna got burgled, Nerak tanned beautifully, and I used sunscreen.

Sunday, 7:00 p.m.
Parity party! We brought our own stash so we didn't have to waste any margaritas. Apparently though, we weren't in too much of a party mood because we were in bed by midnight.

Monday, 9:30 a.m.
Off to the beach again. The wind had died down somewhat, but it was still too cold to get in the water. Elna was still pretty burst, Nerak kept on getting darker, I was still afraid of getting burn so I poured on the sunscreen.

Monday, 5:30 p.m.
We went toItemSelected.

Thursday, 12:00 a.m.
It's still raining so we slept the day away. Finally, we got so desperate to lay out that we put on our bikinis and laid out in front of the television. (Well, MTV does have a Spring Break Special.)

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
We're up! We're driving to the beach. Everything was great. The sun was bright.
The Fourth Annual Stratford Shakespeare Festival Trip

October 24-27, 1991

The Shakespeare Festival in Stratford, Ontario is one of the largest theatrical producing organizations in the world. This year the theatre department wants to invite all interested faculty, staff, and students to experience this weekend of exciting, world-class theatre. Transportation to and from the Festival will be covered by Marian College. We will be taking two college vans, and the maximum seating capacity is twenty-four. Since space is limited, it is necessary to reserve your seat as soon as possible. The reservation deposit is $35. This money is due before Monday, April 8, 1991 and is non-refundable. Total cost for the trip, performances and three nights accommodation is $135. The final $100 is due before Monday, September 16, 1991.

Please contact Dr. Jack Sederholm (X292) to sign up and/or to obtain more information.

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22. Symbol for helium
23. Rabbit
26. Cycle
29. Pierce
33. Symbol for silver
34. River in Italy
35. Doctrine
38. And
39. Greek letter
40. Either

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The Social Planning committee of Mar­

ian College Student Association (MCSA) announces the upcoming performance of Scott Jones, on Friday, March 22 at 8:00 P.M. in the Marian Hall Auditorium. His unique brand of humor which combines music, stand-up, and slides will be a hit with all who attend. For more information contact Wendy Sloman in the Office of Student Activities, room 157 St. Francis Hall or call ext. 365.

Attention all Education Majors (Early Childhood, Elementary and Special Educa­tion) planning to student teach during the Spring of 1992: there is a required meeting on Monday March 25 at 3:45 in room 11. For more information contact Roseanne at ext. 245.

The last day to withdraw from a class is March 22, 1991.

On Wednesday April 3, 1991 at 12:30, Trevor Dietz and Sekai Chikerema will be making a presentation on “Self Esteem.” This is their final project before receiving their degrees in Business Administration. All are encouraged and welcomed to attend; it will be held in room 206 of Marian Hall.

Advance tickets for the Decorators’ Show House (Allison Mansion) may be pur­chased from Marsha Day in room 115, Marian Hall. Advance tickets will be sold through Friday, April 26 for $8.00. Tick­ets will sell at the door for $10.00.

Bright Promises Preschool is currently taking applications and registrations for the Fall 1991 semester. The preschool emphasizes Christian values and appreci­ation through a play oriented approach. The following staff positions are avail­able: Director/Head Teacher, Teacher, and Teacher Assistant(s). For further infor­mation regarding enrollment or employ­ment, please contact the Crooked Creek Baptist Church office at 257-7421 or Mary Dickerson at 924-1738.

Elections for Governing Board Positions will be March 26 and 27. Students inter­ested in becoming candidates for the fol­lowing positions may pick up certifica­tion forms in the Office of Student Activi­ties (room 157, St. Francis Hall). MCSA Governing Board positions are as fol­lows: President, Vice President, Secre­tary, Treasurer, Events Coordinato­r, Academic Affairs Representative, Student Affairs Representative, Residence Hall Representative, Commuter Student Representative, and two Student-at-Large Positions. For more information please call the Office of Student Activities at ext. 365.

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Just A Thought

by N.M. Gasco

Spring is finally upon us. Well, at least some days it is, depending on nature’s whim.

Nicole had the chance, just before spring break, to take time out to enjoy what most students at Marian overlook due to endless obligations; the nature that surrounds and makes up the campus.

As she learned, through a walk in the wetlands, it is the environment that touches Marian College, with its own special dream. Now it is the ideal time to share his dream. For students will soon be able to view his mansion, once again in its full splendor and beauty and, hopefully, the newly developed Environmental Committee here at Marian will help to restore life to the tamed and cuted landscape that is slowly being con­sumed by wilderness. Hopefully, all stu­dents will take time out to also become consumed by the wilderness, even for a half hour — time to reflect, time to phi­losophize, or just to share the coming of spring, as it touches Marian College, with someone special.