MCSA Proposes to Extend Library Hours

By Lara Beck

The Marian College Student Association Governing Board has been quite active this year. Aside from their accomplishment of gaining visitation during finals week and their participation in community service, the board is facing a new task for the spring semester. The goal is to modify the hours of the library.

The Library Hours Committee, which consists of Chairman Sean Gallagher, Academic Affairs Rep. Anna West and Student Affairs Rep. Lara Beck, is proposing to modify, or change, the hours the library is open. The proposal was brought to the January 19th board meeting by Sean Gallagher.

The proposed hours for the library are:
- Mon.-Thurs: 8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.
- Friday: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 12:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

The proposal also includes that the library return to its regular schedule one day before classes start or breaks end.

The committee began researching library hours this past fall, in response to student concerns. After completing an extensive telephone survey of other Indiana small colleges, the committee was able to recommend the change in hours. However, student input and support is needed, as well as encouraged. MCSA board members would appreciate any input or ideas students may have. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the MCSA Knightline at ext. 120 and leave a message.

The Iraq Saga Continues as Clinton Takes Office

By Julie Rolfes

On Sunday, January 17, the Allied Coalition again bombed the Iraqi capital of Baghdad. The Allied warplanes were attempting to knock out an alleged nuclear weapons plant. However, the Iraqi government is now promising to stop firing at Allied aircraft in the "no-fly" zones provided the bombing raids end.

Iraq is now blaming the confrontations of late on George Bush's personal animosity towards Saddam Hussein. The Iraqi government now says it wants to ease the tensions in the area to give President Clinton "a calmer atmosphere," claiming that Iraq "is not an enemy of America and does not want to be." The cease-fire, of course, has been welcomed by both sides but it is fragile at best. The U.S. is insisting upon the removal of weapons threatening Coalition planes in northern and southern Iraq. However, perhaps there is some hope that this relative calm may be more lasting, as Thursday morning a team of U.N. chemical weapons inspectors arrived in Baghdad and was allowed to continue its work unhindered.

(source: The Indianapolis Star)
Marian Grad and Psychology Professor are Selected for Publication

A research paper on the effects of parental divorce on children written by Donna Wetzel Deiters, 1992 Marian College psychology graduate, and Faye Plascak-Craig, associate professor of psychology, has been accepted for publication in the first edition of Modern Psychological Studies.

Deiters and Plascak-Craig studied 70 undergraduates, half with divorced parents and half with intact families, to determine their attitudes toward such concepts as companionship, family, marriage, and relationships. While they found no significant differences between the groups regarding fear of relationships, notable variations were seen in attitudes toward divorce, marriage and personal relationships.

The paper was one of only 20 chosen for publication, according to the editors of the journal, because of its "professional quality and sound research."

How Do Students Really Spend Their Time?

By Anna West

This question was addressed by the Industrial Psychology class during the fall semester of 1992. The class, lead by Dr. Plascak-Craig, created both surveys and log books in order to determine what the students of Marian College were really doing with their time.

The 100 participants that were randomly selected and representative of the students at Marian College. Both students and full time faculty were asked to complete surveys that gathered demographic data and time expenditures for: class, work, study, social, co curricular, and sleep times. Forty students were also asked to complete a log book for two one week periods. The activities in the log books were then coded into the categories listed above.

Once the information was obtained, comparisons were made between student time estimates (the surveys), faculty time estimates, and the student log books. The faculty estimates seemed to accurately reflect the time logs that were kept by the student. The student estimates of the time spent on studying was grossly overestimated, while the time spent socializing was grossly underestimated, according to the actual time recorded in the log books.

Not surprisingly, the results indicated that the longer one is in college, the higher the GPA. Differences were also found by student living status: those who resided in St. Francis hall had a higher GPA and more study time, while those in Doyle Hall have a lower GPA and socialize and sleep more. Commuter students were found to sleep less and work more than the on-campus residents. Differences between the classes were also found. Seniors seem to work more and have the highest GPA's. The junior class appears to be studying more, while the freshmen sleep more than any other class.

Further research would need to be done in order to determine why some of these differences occur. It seems apparent that the students on the whole work more than is beneficial to their academic careers.

The Industrial class would like to thank all of those involved in the study for their cooperation and time, and to Sister Shirley and Mark Morphew for providing incentives to those completing the logs. If anyone would like more information, feel free to ask any of those in the class or stop in the psychology office for a full report.

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Student Expounds on Volunteering

By Randall Johnson

We live in a society of abundance, or so it seems. As college students, we eat three meals per day, drive cars to school, we do not sleep cardboard boxes, or live on the street. Yet only blocks from our campus, a mother struggles to feed her children while paying unreasonable rent for substandard housing. An elderly citizen lives alone on a fixed income, often eating one meal per day which sometimes consists of catfood or dogfood. This makes it easier to pay the high heating bill. While the homeless wander the streets in search of shelter, a school-age child struggles with math. "My mom can't help me. She don't know it either." And the beat goes on....and on....and on.

Is there any answer to our society's ongoing social problems? As an eternal optimist, I must answer this question with a resounding YES! We can volunteer.

As one who has done an abundance of volunteer work, I would like to relate some of my experiences, not for the purpose of "tooting my own horn", but rather to inspire you, the reader to action.

My volunteer service began back in 1978 when I joined VISTA (Volunteers In Service to America). VISTA is the domestic branch of Peace Corps. People of all ages and walks of life join in order to give of themselves, and to make a change in everyday lives of America's poor. This mission landed me in North St. Louis where I learned for the first time that the United States does, indeed, have third-world poverty.

Along with my fellow VISTA volunteers, I became a community organizer. Our purpose was to organize the community into a collective force for the purpose of giving themselves a voice in city government. We organized rat control programs, food cooperatives, and a special project of mine was the organizing of youth gang members into a group that raised money for the senior citizen's utility bills. To do this, we held dances, and sold candy and calendars in middle-class neighborhoods. The program kept the gangs off of the streets, and it also kept the neighborhood's elderly warm during the winter.

But one need not join VISTA in order to make a difference. The same needs exists right here in Indianapolis, right now.

On the Sunday after Christmas, the Indianapolis Star ran a disturbing article concerning the pattern of volunteering by the citizens of our community. The article spoke of how countless people, struck by the Christmas Spirit, volunteer at our city's homeless shelters during the weeks before Thanksgiving and Christmas. When Christmas is gone, however, so are the countless volunteers. These shelters sometimes operate with as few as two to three people volunteering their time, and they must feed, clothe, counsel and house our city's growing homeless population each and every day of the year. With so few people willing to give of themselves throughout the year, this is no easy task. Our volunteer spirit is very desperately needed.

Perhaps you are not interested in working with the homeless. No problem. Indianapolis has other programs which need your help. We have need for volunteers to help the disabled, to tutor inner city children, and to staff the Gleaner's Food Bank. We have shelters for battered women, social service agencies for the elderly, and hospitals, where many of the sick need only someone to talk to.

Volunteering does not take away a lot of valuable study time. We can make a difference if we only give one hour of our time each week. Do you realize that if we give one hour a week, that adds up to 52 hours a year? If you leave Indianapolis for the summer, one hour per week still adds up to 36 hours of volunteering. If you subtract the four weeks of midterm break, it still adds up to 32 hours of valuable volunteer service time in which a world of good can be accomplished.

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Want to Volunteer?
Check out the Volunteer Clearing House

Brought to you by MCSA.
Information available in the MCSA office, second floor, Alverna Student center
Theodore Waddell’s Convocation was an Entertaining Experience

By Joann Karsnick

On Tuesday, January 19, we had the honor of hearing, as well as seeing, Theodore Waddell’s “Seasons of Change” exhibition for our first convocation of the semester. Mr. Waddell lives in Ryegate, Montana, where he manages his own ranch and has a studio.

Mr. Waddell stated he began thinking about art at the age of 17. He is a graduate of Wayne State University in Detroit. He made sculptures in his early years, and rather huge ones at that, with some as high as 16 feet. Mr. Waddell said he “responds strongly to seasons and the environment”, which is evident in his later works of cattle, sheep, and horses in their surroundings.

I know there are only so many pictures a person can look at of the same thing, but as with any artist, several pieces are going to stand out more than others. I personally favored the paintings with the sheep and horses, especially when they stood alone.

I rather liked the soft muted look of his work which consists of using oil paint, graphite and encaustic, which is pigment added to melted wax. “Animals provide an excuse to paint”, and paint animals he does, and he also mentioned, “for me, we’re all animals”. He confesses to “liking grey horses”. Painting full time is now possible for him so that he is able to include all the seasons in his works. The majority of slides consisted of soft muted grays, soft white and black, but showed one with yellow, a color in summer of the cut grass and wheat that truly displays his “Seasons of Change”.

Mr. Waddell did get some laughs throughout the convocation with the biggest regarding his dog Otis who “likes to drink beer and eat peanuts”, and he considers him “a great model but he only has one pose”. To listen to some of the teachers complaints about some of their students, one would think he was talking about us.

Those wishing to hear and see more of Mr. Waddell and his work are invited to attend his exhibition which opened on Saturday, January 23, and runs through April 4 at the Eiteljorg Museum on 500 West Washington. The cost of admission is normally $3.00 for adults, but full-time students with I.D. pay only $1.50.

Sigma Tau Inducts Nine

The honorary English fraternity Sigma Tau Delta held an induction ceremony on Thursday, January 21. The proceedings were held in the historic Allison mansion. New members include Jenny Miller, Kerstan Bayless, Noelle Gasco, Lucinda Locke, Karen Walsh, Kristine Abel, Claudia Struwing, Joanne Karsnik and James Gobel. Congratulations and good luck!
EDITORIAL: Be calm, look cute

by Michelle Gobin

I like the word editorial. It sounds official. Official is good.

Welcome to another issue of the Carbon. Place your trays in the upright position and extinguish all smoking materials. It's been an interesting trip to this issue. Finding a printer has been especially tricky, but hopefully, if you are reading this than our mission has been successful.

Another potential problem was the lack of breathing persons at the staff meeting. I realize it wasn't heavily publicized but now you have no excuse. THE CARBON MEETINGS ARE ON MONDAYS AT 2:30 PM IN ALVERNA STUDENT CENTER IN THE OFFICE. There. As of now (being Tuesday afternoon) we have received no overwhelming response to last week's paper. If you have a comment or concern slap it down on a piece of paper, title it "letter to the editor" and drop it in the big blue cardboard box labeled Carbon in the faculty mail room. As long as it's in good taste I promise to print it. You might have noticed the ongoing story on the situation in Iraq. This feature is brought to you because of the concerns of many students who can't be regularly exposed (my, that sounds harsh) to the news media. We want to try to keep abreast on the crisis, conflicts and other stuff going on in the outside world and any ideas on future stories would be greatly appreciated. As a matter of fact, ANY pertinent news or other stories would be greatly appreciated. Thanks for your time and literacy.

The Creative Influences

Head Chick- Michelle Gobin
Computer Goddess-Michelle Fletcher
Financial Wizard- Mandy Winkler
Divergent Opinion- Dylan Roahrig
Artist in Residence- Julie Marszackiewicz
World Beat- Julie Rolfes
Other Important People- Dan Nichols, Randall Johnson, Lara Beck, Cindy Lecher, Greg Knipe, Cory Cleary, Joanne Karsnik, Anna West Freind, Mentor and Ms. Fix-It- Jan Leap

The opinions expressed in THE CARBON belong solely to those expressing them.
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Here at Marian we should be proud we are "the college that mentors". Our success, however, in this regard depends on the level of student involvement in the mentoring program.

Our society bares deep scares from the last twelve years of social neglect. Our new President had vowed to change this, but he cannot do it without strong soldiers. That means us. Social Change had always depended on student involvement. We can usher in a new era of social progress only by getting involved, and the best way to do that is to volunteer ourselves to work for the common good of our society.

Dolores Claiborne- A Book Review (A What?????)

by Dan Nichols

The master of modern horror has done it again. Stephen King has written a spellbinding novel the entrances the reader from the opening sentence to the very last period.

This latest novel tells the story of Dolores Claiborne (fancy that-ed.), an old woman who has a foul mouth, foul temper and a foul life. For thirty years, Dolores has hidden the truth about the day that her husband died, the day of the total eclipse. She is forced to reveal the truth about that day when Vera Donovan, the woman Dolores takes care of, dies suddenly and Dolores is suspected, once again, of murder. She has to tell the story as her confession and her defense.

This story centers around a dysfunctional family and how a mother's love can turn into unceasing hatred and how this hatred can suddenly turn murderous. It also plunges into the realm of intimacy that develops between two women and its consequences.

Dolores Claiborne is the most memorable of Stephen King's characters. No matter what verdict the reader comes away with, you can bet that they won't forget Dolores Claiborne.

Help! We need a real sports page! We here at the Carbon would be delighted to tell you all about various sports teams and how they are faring. The problem is that no one currently on the staff has the time and/or the experience needed to do this correctly. Anyone interested in being a sports reporter please inquire at the Carbon office. In the meantime, any game summaries or information on any sports team can be dropped off at the Carbon Office or in the box in the faculty mail room. Thanks!
WHERE TO GO, WHAT TO DO ..Student Club and Activities Updates

MCSNA UPDATE
by Cindy Lecher

The Marian College Student Nursing Association (MCSNA) kicked off the 1992-93 school year with a meeting orienting 10 new freshmen to the organization. Other September activities included a car wash, a pizza party and a putt-putt golf outing.

In October several MCSNA members attended the Indiana Association of Nursing Students fall conference at the Embassy Suites downtown. MCSNA also joined Campus Ministry in its Caulk of the Town efforts. A clothing drive was also headed up by MCSNA for the homeless patients of Wishard Hospital.

Eleven members and faculty advisor Becky Joest attended the Mid-Year Conference in Atlanta, GA in November. Reviewing for State Boards (a series of exams graduates must pass to earn the title of Registered Nurse), guest speakers and workshops highlighted the extended weekend. The student nurses from all over the United States also enjoyed the sights of Atlanta.

Becky Joest opened her home for the annual Christmas party in December. Members laughed and hassled each other while decorating Becky's home with the Christmas spirit.

Tentative activities for this semester include bowling, a food drive, a bake sale, the State Convention, bingo, a Spring Tea and the National Convention. Any nursing student is welcome to join. Meetings are the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in the basement of St. Francis Hall. Watch for posters concerning special events and activities.

Let others know what your club is up to!
Run your club update in the Caron. Drop off at the Caron office or the Caron mailbox in the basement of Marian Hall.
Deadline is noon on Thursday.

Stuff to Do With Yourself and Others, compiled by us

CAN YOU CARRY A TUNE?
1993 Collegiate Quartet
Competition may be for you and three of your most musically inclined friends. If interested in competing against other college aged barbershop quartets contact: The Society for the Preservation of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., 6315 Third Avenue, Kenosha Wisconsin, 53143-5199.

The Crisis and Suicide Intervention Service of the Mental Health Association in Marion County is holding a training class for volunteers. If you are free on March 6, contact Mary Hoffman at 251-0005 before March 1.

The business office in Marian Hall offers discount movie tickets. At four bucks this is a pretty nifty bargain. Stop in before your next cinematic journey. Thank MCSA for this neat way to save funds and still be entertained.

Got a gripe? Drop in on MCSA meetings every Tuesday at 9:30 pm.

Got an itch to wax profound? This would be a clue to come and work for the Caron. We are here in an official way Mondays at 2:30 pm. We are here typing, cutting, pasting etc. On other days you might be able to find one of us in here at any non-specific time.
Ears and Eyes Will Delight in These Treats

The personal rating system of Dylan Roarfig is as follows:
Groovy- Buy this recording. Sell all of your belongins if you must, but buy this recording. Sell your body, but buy this recording. I swear, it's that good.
Swell- Pay your rent first. After all, you have to have someplace to listen to it.

LAPD- Just like the esteemed Los Angeles police force, this recording could be hazardous to your health. Buy at your own risk. (I came up with mine first.--ed.)

Neneh Cherry- Homebrew (Groovy). Number four on my personal top ten recordings list for 92' Neneh Cherry has done it again. What is "it?" I hear you cry, well, calm down and I'll tell you. Come on, sit down. Take a few deep breaths. Are you relaxed now? Okay, here we go.

Since "Buffalo Stance" hasn't been heard for a few years, and the last thing that Ms. Cherry did was Red, Hot and Blue the world was wondering, "Has she become a statistic in the graph of the one-hit-wonders?" Homebrew answers that question with a hearty, "No!" "Money Love", quite possibly my favorite song on the recording, is filled with wonderful studio tricks which haven't been attempted before. Things like triple looping, where there are three tracks running simultaneously while being slowed and sped up in alternating rhythms, lend to the fun in this already happy, happy-joy, joy album.

"Trout", the duet with Michael Stipe which is now available on single, samples Steppenwolf which already makes it great. Surprisingly enough Michael Stipe's voice doesn't make you want to choke him to death, which helps in enjoying this tune.

Anyway, buy it and groove, or hip-hop, or just dance, whatever you do, listen.

Michelle Gobin's ratings for stuff:
!!!!!!!- Our life was changed.
!!!! - Good stuff, Maynard.
!!! - If it weren't for mediocrity we wouldn't enjoy the finer things in life.
!! - Well....
? - This is not a good thing.

Used People
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Let me start by saying this was a damn good flick. I laughed, I cried and I'm not even being sarcastic. The story focuses on a good Jewish family in New York sometime in the late fifties, early sixties. The main character, played by Shirley Maclaine, has lost her husband after 37 years of marriage. While sitting Shivah with her eccentric family she meets a man who claims to have known her husband years ago. He wants to take her out and reluctantly she accepts. This blossoms into a romance against her better judgement and the advice of her family.

The eccentric family includes two daughters, Bibi, who carries scars of being told she smelled funny by her mother as a child, and Norma who reacts to the death of one of her children and her husband's leaving by dressing up as characters from movies. We see her decked out as everyone from Marilyn Monroe to Mrs. Robinson in The Graduate. Norma's 10 year old son, Sweet Pea, believes that he is possesed by the spirit of his deceased grandfather and this event has made him an invincible Superman. Other characters to note are Bibi and Norma's grandmother, played impeccably by Jessica Tandy and an interesting Italian grandmother with no teeth, I didn't catch the name of the actress.

I strongly recommend any and all of you to go see Used People.