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Weekend Activities

by Christian Mehall

A few souls are left in the cafeteria at meal time. The scarce parking spots are now a sea of open spaces. On a Saturday afternoon, "If there is stuff going on, they don't let people know," freshman Kristen Balan said. "I feel as though we could be more of a connected community on the weekends," freshman Sarah Yeager said.

Marian College has 1359 students; 416 live on campus. 923 students live off campus. How do you accommodate this student body with all its diversity?

Once a year, the Office of Student Activities surveys what activities students attended, why they liked or didn't like them, and how effective publicity methods were. MCSA also submits additional smaller surveys.

Residence hall students were asked how often and why they left and what activities would increase their desire to stay on campus. Commuter students were asked what programs they would like to see offered, good days/times to have them, and why they do or do not participate.

Sandra Hester, Director of Student Activities, and Junior Mindy Wallpe, who is the entire Campus Events Committee, plan the activities based on student input with a budget of $18,000.

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Preview Day Offers A Taste Of College Life

by Christian Ragan

On Saturday, October 24, potential Marian College students came to campus to experience the sights and sounds of college life as they attended Preview Day, a chance for high school students to see all that Marian College has to offer.

Karen Kist, Associate Director of Admissions, estimated that there was a total of about 175 people, including students and family members. The day started with a speech from MCSA representative Laura Bergman. Other speakers on the list were John Shelton from the Financial Aid Office and Dean for Academic Affairs Dr. Edward Balog. Marian College students served as tour guides. The students and families were also treated to lunch in the Stokely Mansion.

"It's an opportunity to learn of campus clubs, athletics, and student government," said Kist. With the newly remodeled campus it was an excellent way to showcase all of the new improvements on campus. Kist said, "People like the campus."

Shalom! Shalom!

by Christian Mehall

Have you ever had an extraordinary experience and found yourself struggling to explain it?

"It was an unbelievably great time, but it is so hard to explain to someone who wasn't there because of the total feeling that surrounds you while you participate in the activities," Sophomore Amber Meal said.

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Update: CTN

Since the Carbon last reported on the CTN issue, no further decisions have been made in the matter. Sandra Hester, Director of Student Activities, said that more discussion is necessary with faculty and students before a final decision can be made.

Smoking Policy
For Dorms

discussed by MCSA on November 2, 1998
8:30 pm, RLSC
All Invited
To Voice Their Opinions
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by Norman Minnick

The new format of the Carbon, we knew that the format of a newspaper and its Forum section would be foreign to some. In the first issue of the year we explained thoroughly the purpose of the paper, the Forum section, and our duty as journalists and editors.

The Carbon is a newspaper by students with legitimate concerns who are affected by the issues in your letter. Mr. Reed and Mr. Glassburn propose an individual to "come and talk to those responsible and get a reply." This would defeat the purpose of the Carbon. Again, a Forum is "a public meeting place or medium for open discussion."

The Forum serves multiple purposes. Hopefully the "appropriate administration" reads the Carbon the same as everyone else. Not only will they acquire a sense of what the students think, but the entire Marian community can share in these topics. There is nothing private here. This is a newspaper, not an office with a doored door.

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2. Mr. Reed and Mr. Glassburn also mention the renting of the mansions to help subsidize students' education. I see where they are going with this, but they do not discuss the fact that the student organizations also must pay rent to the mansions for their group activities. If the mansions are part of the college, then why should students have to pay?

3. Mr. Reed and Mr. Glassburn say that students are not on campus for more than four months. Either this is a major typo, or they have missed a great deal. Students are here roughly 216 days. This divided by 30 days equals 8 months. And this does not include the two summer sessions and breaks. But this is not the point. The point is the need for money machines on campus which might be reconsidered now with these new numbers provided by the Carbon.

Your letter is a representation of the administration and shows the exact reason why more individuals do not come to the offices with doors closed behind them and "talk to those responsible."

This is the reason there is a student publication in the first place. This is the reason for the Forum. You have further offered in your letter testimony of the administration's stance on student affairs. Once again, you fail to see matters from the student perspective.
Letters to the Editors

Decrepit Professors in a Linoleum Box

So, students already have the Ruth Lilly Student Center and lounges in the dorms, but now you'd like our pathetic faculty and staff dining room? Job candidates are depressed that the only place for daily informal faculty and staff gathering is the linoleum box of our dining room. (Even the tables used to be linoleum lookalikes until new furniture was bought for the main dining room, and then we received your old tables after they were finished.)

Do you students really want your privacy invaded at every meal by faculty and staff? Do you really want to make it so difficult for faculty and staff to get to know people outside their departments?

Yes, we do cut in line. Most of the faculty and staff are one or multiple decades older than the majority of traditional students who use the cafeteria. That means we have arthritis and many other physical pains that develop with age. When we stand to serve Thanksgiving dinner in the faculty and staff dining room, we are sacrificing more than our time. Our hearts are in it, but our hands and feet really hurt!

by Anne Reaves
Department of English and Communication

1984 in 1998?

For two days I have been engaged in various conversations regarding CTN. After much consideration, I would advise not only the administration but also the student body to approach CTN with caution—great caution. Just because CTN is presented as a service does not necessarily mean it will be a service to Marian College.

Those who support CTN suggest that the network will serve as entertainment, in addition to promoting athletics. Marian sports teams work hard and may receive little recognition, but the recognition CTN might give would not be worth having CTN at Marian.

How is forty minutes of music videos any different from MTV? In fact, one has more control over MTV because the television can be manually turned down or off, while CTN cannot.

Take, for example, a meal eaten in Clare's Café. Imagine that you near a television which distracts you from your conversation. You simply get up and turn the volume down. Will CTN give the viewer this luxury? The "service" of CTN would truly insult my intelligence. As a college student attempting to expand my knowledge, how does 24 hour bombardment of commercials and music videos enhance me or serve as entertainment for that matter? Have we at Marian College become a community in constant need of stimuli—e-mails, voice-mails, and possible CTN. Entertainment can be fun and found in various means, and students should have fun. But is this the way to go? We need to refine our definition of entertainment.

I would ask that the administration and MCSA have as much student input as possible before such a substantial decision is made.

by Tasb Patterson

Angela's Ashes

Lately I have had a plethora of perplexing dreams. I dream about something and two days later it comes to pass. It all began with my dream in which my roommate got all her hair shaved off; two days later she got a haircut. Another Dionne Warwick moment occurred when I spontaneously walked from the couch to pick up the phone, and told my roommate the phone was going to ring: the ring rang in my hand.

I am not sure if these are just silly coincidences, or if I am the next biblical prophet. I believe in the existence of psychic powers.

The only drawback to my powers is that I cannot predict my own future. It's not fair that I ooze prophetic warnings and advice for others and receive none for myself. The only way to end this injustice and my suffering would be to visit a fellow medium and have her get the answers for me.

When I called to set up an appointment with my psychic friend, she had to ask me what my name was. Now I thought that would have been an easy one for her. If an astronaut were to ask me what the name of my red car was, I would have predicted it for him.

She let me hold them for a little bit, and the chic began to shuffle the tarot cards. Eventually, we got it all situated and I was penceed in for a 3:30 appointment to get in touch with the other side.

I arrived for my appointment a little late because I had to park a block away. I'd never been to a psychic chateau before, but my imagination or possibly psychic intuition began to create some rather disturbing images.

I concocted visions of an all black room, covered with mirrors and glitter. Heads of pigs, chickens, and lambs would be mounted on the walls. A picture of Dionne, worn and tattered due to the multiple puncture wounds it's received from angrily thrown darts, would hang above the cash register. Musical sounds of nature would pulsate through the crystal ball shaped speakers, as long thin candles would bleed wax over the magic crystals.

When I walked through the door, the only nature sounds I heard were the "Beaugs." The layout of store wasn't what I expected. It was more of a gift shop than a haven of spirits. Luckily for me, crystals, tarot cards, and bumper stickers which read, "Proud to be a Pagan," were 50% off that day.

Near the section which displays the silver jewelry and lucky stones, two felines—one black the other white—were running rampant along the floor. My psychic introduced them as the store owner and shop manager.

The psychic was a tame version of the mystic woman I had seen in my mind. I thought this middle-aged woman dressed in a sea blue jumper, with glasses and her original hair would have blended better into the Marsh, ETA subarbas, than the touched by the spirit of Elvis ambiance.

The whole environment contradicted all my assumptions. I was sneezing because I was allergic to the store executives fur, and a little wary of a business that receives financial backing from kitties.

But I stuck it out and my psychic began to shuffle the tarot cards. She let me hold them for a little bit, so that the cards would pick up my energy. A couple of minutes later I guess the cards were charged, so she began to deal my fate.

She told me the names of my mother and grandmother, and the nickname of my sister. She physically and ethnically described my best friend, and told me that in 5 months my red car, which she could not have possibly seen, would break down. I could have predicted that one myself.

She foresaw marriage and kids later on in my life, and even told me that I was a writer. And while it has not fully evolved, she saw glimpses of psychic intuition bounce off my aura.

I almost fell on the floor and had a spiritual seizure. There was no way she could have known those tidbits of my life. I was cautious in all I said to her, just in case she was an excellent guesser.

Her accuracy clinched it for me. I was undoubtedly charmed and I had seen proof for myself that mystic arts are more than hocus pocus. The validation of my psychics was a relief to questions of my sanity and a key to doors of opportunity.

If this column doesn't work out, I have real potential for a position with the Psychic Friends Network, if ever recovers from bankruptcy, or possibly owning my own palm reading cart in the mall.
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muters is not an easy task. "There should be a little bit more posted around, more on the walkways. People don't really look at the bulletin boards," freshman Shiloh Shambaugh said.

Posters, flyers, MC-18, Campus Connection newsletter, table tents in the cafe, voice-mail, the campus life calendar, and handbook all publicize events.

Some students complain about athletic facilities and availability on weekends. "There are four racquetball courts, weight room, gym, brand new tennis courts, Wallay ball room, but a very small percentage of students take advantage of the facilities and it is difficult to get students involved," Athletic Director John Grimes said.

Grimes said the facilities are open 12:30-5:30 on Saturday and 4-9 p.m. on Sunday. "It would be nice to have the budget to pay people to keep the facilities open 24 hours but we don't," Grimes said. "It is the regulars that get the participation and enjoyment. I wish more students would take advantage and work out, participate and support."

Shalom! Cont. from page 1

friends. Everyone has a different experience of Shalom, yet we all came away with a sense of community, that is to me, the best part," Senior Amy Halter said.

Whether it be the grizzly that slept in the guys' cabin, "Family Matters" and SNL skits around the campfire, being served dinner by the support staff, breaking bread, or giving thanks and blessing prayer partners, everyone took something a little different from the experience. We all let something go that we had been carrying for too long, and took comfort in the smile and hug of another. I am a better person because of each and every individual present at Shalom, and that is something that I will carry with me eternally.

Student Survey: Are you going to vote on Tuesday?

"I vote, but I am not as interested in the upcoming elections as I am in the big one. I like Julia Carson. She seems to have a lot of good ideas and good values. Her commercials are the ones that don't bother me as much. She is a Democrat and that is the way I usually vote."
-Doug Pardue, Sophomore, Business

"I'm definitely voting. I have since I became old enough too. I always vote Republican, no matter what. I back that party."
-Jeff Hammer, Senior, Business

"I probably will. My family is big into politics and I guess it has rubbed off. My dad votes Republican and that's usually the way I vote too."
-Kyle Nobke, Senior, Secondary Education/Physical Education

"Not completely decided but probably straight republican. I don't have a lot of experience voting, but if I have a right to gripe about things, it is my decision to let my viewpoint be known."
-Jude Thompson, Junior, Accounting

"I'll probably vote Republican just because I am a Republican. I think everyone should vote because too many people whine, complain, and bitch about politics, but they don't do anything about it."
-Joshua Margraf, Junior

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