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Marian Athlete Turns Pro

Tom Linkmeyer, a Versailles native, has played baseball for 21 years. He played Pee Wee, Little League, Babe Ruth, and American Legion ball during the summer months.

Linkmeyer came to Marian on an athletic scholarship. He had heard of the college through his high school baseball coach, Ted Ahaus, a former Marian baseball player.

While at Marian, Linkmeyer was all-conference two years and all-district his junior year. He led the team in batting averages with a .530 his junior year. He had the most home runs his sophomore year.

Linkmeyer was drafted the sixth round, "I was overwhelmed with joy when I heard I was drafted. It really didn't matter who I was drafted by."

"To play professional baseball with the Toronto Blue Jays Association" was Linkmeyer's reason for quitting school.

His first taste of being a professional athlete was in the Pioneer League (rookie ball), in Medicine Hat, Alberta, in Canada.

The difference between college and professional competition is "the caliber of play, and the pitching is much faster," said Linkmeyer. "The players are much better because they are from all over the United States."

Linkmeyer's first season was a rough one. He broke his third finger his second time at bat during his first game. He was out four weeks. Then, he was "beaned" in the head by a fast ball and was out three games.

Playing in 45 games last summer, Linkmeyer said the only thing he did not like was the long, tiring bus rides.

Linkmeyer may go to Mexico to play winter ball, but first must receive permission from the Toronto Organization. This is being arranged by his agent, Milt Thompson.

Spring training is held in Dunedin, Florida, in March.

"I'm really excited about the upcoming season and a little bit nervous about my first spring training."

After spring training, Linkmeyer will be moved to either an A, AA, or AAA league. He thinks he will probably go to Kinston, N.C., or Knoxville, Tenn.

When asked about how he felt about leaving college after three years, Tom replied, "I really enjoy playing pro ball, it's like a dream come true. I don't regret quitting school, but I do miss the people."

He plans to finish his B.S. degree in Physical Education with an English minor when time permits.

Darlene Moser

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This Week

Oct. 28 Halloween Party Doyle and Clare
Haunted House Senior Class

Oct. 29 Wo. Volleyball NAIA Tourney (A) Earlham
Oct. 31 Halloween
Nov. 1 All Saints Day - All school Mass
Last day to withdraw with W
Nov. 4 Movie in Library Auditorium 8 p.m.

Have a HAUNTING halloween!
Last Saturday at Purdue Calumet, the Lady Knights won 2 of 3 games. They beat Purdue Calumet and Wheaton, and went down to defeat against Calvin.

They traveled up to Taylor, on the 25, and took on St. Francis and Taylor. The scores were; against Taylor 11-15, 9-15, and St. Francis, 5-15, 10-15.

The Knights play in their NAIA District pool this weekend, taking on Earlham and Taylor. The winner of this pool goes on to Taylor to play for the WAIA District 21 Championship.

Women's Basketball

It's that time of year again and the Women's Basketball team is underway with their formal practices for the 1983-84 season.

Second year coach Audrey Satterblom feels her team will be strong this year. "I think the girls want to prove to themselves that they are better than last year's performance," she stated.

The team has a lot of depth in each position. "We have a lot of talent in each position, if the girls work hard and compete in practice we will be very deep," said Coach Satterblom.

All the players feel confident about the season. The main reason is that they know what to expect from their coach after being under her last year.

Coach Satterblom plans to pick up the pace this year. "We will fastbreak more this year because we have gotten some quickness, and the girls are used to what I want," she announced.

This year hopes to be a better season for the Knights. They possess a lot of positive confidence along with their talent and depth.

GOOD LUCK TEAM! ! ! ! Lori McFarland

Flag Football got off to a great start Wednesday, even though the Jamboree had to be cancelled due to bad weather.

Three games were played and the three teams emerging victorious were Lyons, Kami Kazes, and THI.

The finest game played was between THI and the 69's. THI won in the last seconds of the game, but the 69's really played well and they are one of the best organized teams we have seen in many years. (ed. note- Greg Quick Mark McCammon, and M.L. Lyons did a super job officiating, looks like Coach Grimes football class paid off!)

The girls will begin their Powder Puff season Sun. 1st. There is still time to get involved and it's a lot of Fun. Also, we've been promised the best looking officials on campus, so you can't lose!
Since you've lived at Marian College, how many times have you picked up your phone and dialed 0 for assistance and gotten no answer? It seems this has been occurring more and more frequently, especially to off campus callers. I was under the impression that the switchboard was open to accept calls from 8am until 12:30pm every day. Evidently, from what I've heard from several people who have tried to get through at those times, I was wrong. Whether it is early morning, mid-day, or late evening, these callers will let the phone ring and ring without answer. One person counted 55 rings before she finally decided the operator just wasn't going to answer.

Beside having an operator that won't answer the phone, Marian College has cut back on certain holidays, such as Labor Day, and leaves a recording which supplies the caller with an emergency number. There would be nothing wrong with this, except for the fact that the emergency number is not always answered. Whether there's an emergency or not, there should be an efficient means for off campus callers to reach us on campus! When are we going to get it?

BARB KIMES

**THE LIGHTER SIDE...**

Jackie Bagosy

So, it has finally happened! After three months of Tooking at cardboard skeletons, peanut-butter kisses that have long since gone rancid, and those specially designed candy bags that retail for $3.95, Halloween has, indeed, reared its eerie head. Actually, I have no right to criticize folks who "Plan ahead." I bought my Halloween treats around Labor Day (of course I have since replaced my original bag of mixture candy bars 1/4 times).

In reality, I hated Halloween as a child! My parents had to shove me out the door threatening "You WILL have a good time - or else!!". After all, wasn't trick-or-treating supposed to be fun? Guess again, mom and dad! Let's face it, how much fun can you have tromping around in the annual October 31st monsoon, while your face melts away with sweat behind your plastic mask. Not to mention all the neighborhood "adults" who got a bigger thrill pretending to be frightened more than you were over the entire ordeal. To add insult to injury, there was a $35%! of a thing to go through just for a couple of "Nestle's Crunch bars," six or seven packs of "Sweet-tarts," and eighteen thousand rolls of "Neccos," which I still despise.

THE BOOSTER CLUB

A great thanks to everyone that tried out for the Variety Show! Unfortunately, there were acts that had to be cut due to the large quantity of people who tried out. More information will be posted concerning rehearsals. Thanks again for your hard work!!

The Booster Club

by Robin Edwards

D.S.A. President

**ARA Halloween Special**

Marian College's Dining Service, ARA; will be sponsoring a special Halloween Dinner and Pumpkin Carving Contest Friday October 28, at 5:00 p.m.

The pumpkins will be judged according to creativity and original design. There also will be a Apple Dunking Contest. The judges will be members of Marian College's Staff.

This is just another example of the fine service provided by ARA to Marian College.

Then there was a Susie Look-a-me. Every neighborhood had a Susie Look-a-me, and no Halloween outing was complete without her. She was the kid who's mother spent countless hours of human labor constructing the truly "unique" Halloween costume for her little darling.

I remember standing inside my pre-fabricated Snorky of the Banana Splits costume purchased the night before at K-mart, wishing someone, somewhere would slip Susie a bad "good-n-plenty."

Of course, Halloween is now among one of my fondest childhood memories ranking with chicken-pox and weighing in during gym class. Yet, I still can't help but ponder is October 31 a big trick or is it a treat?
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