Orientation continues through the year

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Federal grant

Marian Lake area becomes wetland laboratory

Marian College has received a $25,000 grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to develop a demonstration model of a Wetland Ecological Laboratory on the marshlands next to the campus lake.

Five thousand dollars has been distributed thus far for a feasibility study of the area and enlisting the services of the necessary consultants.

Next year the remaining twenty thousand dollars will be leased for the actual setting up of the laboratory outside of actual construction work. Funds are being solicited for this phase of the project.

The laboratory will be used to confine animal and plant life ordinarily found in a wetland area to a limited space for observation and study. This will give biology students an opportunity to further their studies and also help that education students benefit through the presentation of guided tours.

John Ripley Forbes, President of the Natural Science for Youth Foundation and a representative will be helping with the consultation.

Grants for study abroad available now

The Institute of International Education has announced the official opening of the 1973-74 competition for grants for graduate study or research abroad and for professional training in the creative and performing arts.

These grants, whose purpose is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge, and skills, are provided under the terms of the Mutual Education and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (Fulbright-Hays Act) and by foreign governments, universities and private donors. It is expected that approximately $500 awards to 37 countries will be available for 1973-74.

Application forms and information for students currently enrolled in Marian College may be obtained from the campus Fulbright Program Adviser Sister Rachel Schulte. The deadline for filing applications through the FPA on this campus is October 15, 1972.

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Knowledge and understanding are life's faithful companions who will never prove untrue to you. For knowledge is your crown, and understanding your staff and when they are with you, you possess no greater treasures.
Opportunity for free expression is yours

Freshmen discuss new college experience

To the upperclassmen, Marian has become home. They know what it's all about and what to expect from it. However, the freshmen still have a lot of "experiencing" to do. A survey was taken of some of the newest members of the campus to find out just how they have found the school so far and what they expect from it.

Freshmen from Gary, Indiana, Tom Kasper and Ed Kruis came to Marian as friends but, at the time of this survey, had different views of the school. Tom thought that "the people in charge needed to know what was going on" in order to help the freshmen more efficiently. He did like the men/women ratio and, as a whole, felt that Marian is "a nice school."

Ed, however, was more enthusiastic. He was "impressed with the people" and added that "everything's personal here."

Steve Barrett from Alexandria, Indiana, echo's Ed's enthusiasm in saying that "the faculty really helps you out."

Three freshmen girls, Lisa, Kathy, and Karen, voiced more personal opinions. They think that Marian is great although they did have a difficult time in tracking down sports equipment. They also found other upperclassmen to be "really nice."

Two girls who wish to remain anonymous were not as happy. They found the social life on campus rather dull.

Joan, from Lafayette, Indiana, "loves it." She found Marian all that she had hoped it to be. "The teachers are more personal and that's something you can't get from a big university like Purdue."

Pat from Plainfield also thinks the faculty is great. "They make you feel like they really care."

"Everybody's really friendly," according to Linda Price from Edinburg, Indiana.

We don't expect everybody to love Marian. Just give it a chance, and as a senior resident assistant said the first night, "It grows on you."
Freshmen encounter Marian life

When the class of '76 comes back as sophomores, many things will be said about their freshmen days.

"... Remember when those horrid sophomores attacked us with shaving cream and all that jello ... and dancing in the cafeteria ..."

Many memories will be stirred then but right now what is to be remembered is still happening.

Still as conspicuous as the beanies they wore last week are the Freshmen. They’ve been through a lot—the rigors of registration, getting used to different hours and cafeteria food besides feeling disoriented at not knowing a single soul. But, with the help (?) of the sophomore class and the rest of the people involved with the orientation program, they are gradually learning the atmosphere of Marian College. Of course, it’ll take a while to get settled beyond getting matching bedspreads and drapes and learning to do your own wash, but there’ll always be somebody around to turn to—officially (see page 1) or otherwise and pretty soon these experiences will be just memories.

Above left
Three freshmen wait patiently in line to pay their dreaded bills.

Above right
Amy Egan slurps away while the other freshmen enjoy the various activities sponsored on field day.

Center right
As some Marian students move to the sound of "The Granite", others look on.

Right
Beanies still intact, the freshmen along with the upperclassmen enjoy the cookout.

Pictures by Jon Randall
Summer job enlightens Marian coed

by Kathy Giesing

This is an evaporator...anyway that's what they told us it was...although it is a part of an air conditioning center...shows you they are all the same when you look at a little closer.

But Butch is bitter, after a year at Ball State, he has two years in the army to look forward to and doesn't have any plans for any time but the immediate future until he's drafted. Now I hear they aren't going to draft any people after the first of January, but I think a volunteer army is something of a dream. It's too ideal, but it makes a great campaign issue, I must admit.

Now, what was this column supposed to be about? The college student and the real world...it's really sad that I should be able to write such an article. We seem so separated from the reality of the world sometimes. College is supposed to prepare us to live with the realities of life, but the "ivory tower" college just helps to keep its students from facing the world straight on for four years, after which many of them aren't any better prepared to face the world than they were earlier. Oh, sure the schools have some programs that involve the community in which it's located, but only too often students don't get involved because it's easier to sit back, concerned with only their own immediate world.

And again once I'm rambling far afield and I've got to finish this pretty soon or they'll eat off the end of it to make it fit. It's something to think about, the separation, it's something, somebody should do something about...oh, I'm not copping out...the somebody should be you and me and society, because we really do have something to give to.