Chorale and Madrigals present Convocation

BY JAN DWIRE

This Christmas season is a busy one for the Marian College Chorale and Madrigals.

The annual Christmas Convocation will take place at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, in the Marian Hall Auditorium. Selections for the program include Handel's Hallelujah Chorus from The Messiah, a contemporary work called Good News, World by Cordelia Spitzer and John F. Wilson, and The Rhythm of Life from Sweet Charity.

The Sweet Charity selection will be accompanied by a dance routine featuring Marian students Bob Harris and Annette Bolton. In addition, the piano accompaniment will be a duet performed by Diane Stier and Phil Kern.

As a special added attraction, Sister Francesca Thompson will read the O. Henry story, The Gift of the Magi, with the combined Chorale and Madrigals in a rendition of several favorite Christmas carols.

The Madrigals will perform Good News, World and Rhythm of Life with the Chorale. They will also be performing several numbers on their own including Home for the Holidays and the Most Wonderful Time of the Year.

Some extra performances will be given this year. One of them will be at Larue Carter Hospital on Tuesday, Dec. 9, and the other will be on Monument Circle the evening of December 11 as part of "Christmas on the Circle."

Dr. Clark leaves Marian

BY SHARON SLOANEK

Marian College will soon be bidding a fond farewell to one of the most distinguished professors in the biology department. Dr. Dennis Clark will be terminating full-time employment at Marian to take a position with the Indiana State Board of Health.

Dr. Clark arrived on the scene at Marian in 1971 to fill a temporarily-vacant position. The following year he left Marian to complete his doctorate at Indiana State University. He returned to Marian in 1973 and continued to teach General Biology and Ecology.

Dr. Clark feels that one of his major accomplishments centered around his contributions to the Wetlands Ecology Laboratory. He has been dedicated to the formation and continuation of the project.

But his career at Marian has not been all work and no play. Dr. Clark recalled the time he joined the faculty team that played basketball with the Cincinnati Reds. The fearless faculty lost the ballgame by only one point.

Among several committees he has served with distinction include the Athletic Committee and the Judicial Panel, both of which he served as chairman this year.

His decision to leave Marian was a difficult one. He enjoyed the cooperative spirit of the students, faculty and Administration. But after all the facts were weighed, he felt that the opportunities offered by the new job were too good to pass up.

We, at Marian, would like to give Dr. Clark our best wishes for success in his new position.

Co-op education here!

BY BOB MELEVIN

A new in-service program is being offered next semester at Marian College for business and accounting majors. This program's aim is to integrate classroom experience and practical work experience in industrial, business, government or service-type work situations.

Two students will be paired with each employer. One student begins work the fall semester of his junior year, the other remains in school. In the spring, the two students exchange positions and continue to alternate in this fashion until graduation. This process allows each student to work for three periods with the employer on an internating basis.

This program is designed to give students a reality to learning, increase motivation, increase their responsibility and independence, provide orientation to the work-world, provide financial aid, and will also benefit the student in future career placement.

According to Gary Hall, director of the newly-organized co-op education program, three or four juniors will be given the opportunity next semester to work with such locally-known businesses as American Fletcher National Bank, Indiana National Bank, American States Insurance Co., Indianapolis Power and Light Co., and the Indianapolis Water Co.

Hall anticipates that more students will be given this opportunity in upcoming summer semester with the program increasing in size as the years go on.

This program is also designed to benefit the employers. The advantage seen to these corporations include providing employers with a constant flow of trained personnel, eliminate the risk of hiring untrained full-time employees, and the employer can use co-op trainees to fill assignments too difficult for high school graduates but too elementary for a full professional.

The college will select students for the program and provide information about the employers, as well as provide employers with information about students. The college will also review term papers and evaluate and assign the grade to the individual student, as academic credit is to be given this process.

This program is embarking on a new era for Marian which will aid students in deciding the career of their choice.

'Thurber Carnival' highlights weekend

BY ANNETTE BOLTON

A Thurber Carnival will be previewed on December 12 and 13 at 8 p.m. in the SAC Auditorium before touring area high schools next semester. Admission is free to students and faculty with ID.

Thurber Carnival is a dramatization of James Thurber's short stories. Staging is by the directing students as a class project to gain experience. Diane Irk is directing "MacBeth Murder Mystery" and "Three Fables for Our Time" ("The Wolf at the Door," "The Little Girl and the Wolf," and "The Unicorn in the Garden"). "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" is directed by Donna Hyderkhan. "Gentleman Shoppers" is staged by Greg Bauer.

Directing "The Pet Department" and "Take Her Up Tenderly" is Bob Hahn. Carolyn Knox is directing "File and Forget" and "Mr. Preble Gets Rd of His Wife." "Casuals of the Keys," and "If Grant Had Been Drunk at Appomattox" are directed by Jim Kessler.

These humorous sketches range from two to 15 minutes in length. Props and set pieces are painted black and white to resemble newspaper cartoons. Small flats are used to facilitate touring.

Next semester, Thurber Carnival and Stephen Vincent Benet's Stories of America will be touring high schools in a four to five-county area as convocation presentations.
Christmas spirit

This holiday season be jolly, fa-la-la-la-la. With a mass explosion of Christmas decorations, the ringing of bells, and imitation Santas on every corner, the Christmas season has definitely made its debut.

It’s at this time of the year that people display the best side of themselves. For instance, little Johnny insists on taking out the trash four times a day, with a bit of hope that Santa will get him that extra-large train set. It’s also time for Aunt Bertha to let up on her complaints about “this younger generation” and Uncle Joe to crack his annual smile. A generally more thoughtful feeling permeates the atmosphere.

Commercialism, though good in many respects, has bent the meaning of Christmas into a fantasized world where only the means of celebration are emphasized. There seems to be a need for Christmas trees, snow, garlands, wreaths, and gaity. Somehow, one looks forward to the fun of the season somewhat oblivious of the actual meaning of Christmas.

The true Christmas season refers to the Birth of Christ, the beginning of Christianity, and the unselfish giving of oneself. This is the meaning that is oftentimes masked by the commercialism and gaity of the season.

With 16 more days till Christmas, there is plenty of time to get into the Christmas spirit with full intentions of giving. There are many campus opportunities to help those who are less fortunate.

For instance, one can become involved in the Freshman Class Canned Food Drive this Thursday and Saturday to help the poor. The Biology-Conservation Club and ACS are also sponsoring a charity drive and anyone desiring to help is welcome to do so.

I think we should all become involved in the Christmas season with intentions of helping someone and not expecting something in return, just as Christmas should want us to. Go ahead and offer your assistance to someone. It couldn’t hurt!

—Judie Dziezak

Conserve energy

With the first wintry blasts of Canadian air, accompanied by the barreness of campus trees, Hoosier winter is nearly upon us.

While some students—and faculty—might be hoping for a paralyzing snow or two during the months ahead to give an additional class break, there is a legitimate area of concern which should draw unanimous support.

We are speaking of energy conservation.

Despite the expenditures of large sums of money and man-hours, repairs and improvements to the campus heating plant efficiency, the continued spiral of fuel costs add substantially to the institution’s expenditures.

The college is not dependent upon one single energy source. In fact, various buildings use electricity, fuel oil, and natural gas—but no coal. This divergence is good in that the campus would not be crippled in the event of severe shortages from one source.

Some students—especially in residence halls—have expressed a queer notion that energy conservation is “someone else’s problem, not mine—after all, I pay my bill and I’m entitled to anything I want.”

This logic is weak on at least two counts: 1) increased operational costs are passed on to the students; and 2) it shows a flagrant disregard for the obvious national energy shortages which will be exhausted, perhaps within our lifetime.

It is shockingly irrational for any well-informed person—student or adult—not to realize that present sources of energy are disappearing.

What does all this mean for the Marian community? All of us are being asked to become watchdogs of wasted energy. Pause and think for a moment.

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Yuletide greetings

In this holiday season, I find it hard to express my wishes to all of my friends in the Marian Community. I have searched through my archives and have found this letter of BishopRemington to express my feelings:

“I am wishing for you this day, a happy Christmas, and I would send you those gifts which are beyond price, outlasting time, and bridging all space.

“I wish that the spirit of Christmas may draw you into companionship and love which thinks no evil, is not easily provoked, and seeks not its own.

“Faith and love, where are bright angels and everyday saints, and all goodness, which guards the sleep of all God’s Creatures.

“May the Christmas spirit draw you into companionship with Him Whom giveth all.

“The little Christ-hands are beckoning us to come within the circle of His faith and love, where are bright angels and everyday saints, and all goodness, truth and beauty.

“It is the Feast of the Christ-child. Come let us adore Him.”

I love you very much. I want a Teddy Bear because I can’t sleep at night.

—Terresa

Dear Santa:

Now that I am actually writing you my first letter, I feel that I am a kid again.

Well, I’ve tried to be good this year and at times I admitted I wasn’t, but on the overall, I was fairly good. All I really want for Christmas is a bunch of pretty printed scarves to wear with my outfits, and for others to be very happy and in the Christmas spirit. Merry Christmas.

Babes in Marian, Ext. 378

Happy Chahukah

In this holiday season, I find it hard to express my wishes to all of my friends and loved ones, and I have found this letter of Bishop Remington to express my feelings:

“May the Christmas spirit draw you into companionship with Him Whom giveth all.

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Have a beautiful Christmas and may the New Year bring you many joys.

—Bob Melevin
Blue books are reproducing in the registrar's office with a cancerous pace. As we prepare to fill them with a semester of facts, figures, doodles, reasonable facsimiles, and droppings from male cattle, otherwise known as B.S., I propose the following plan: (Hopefully this will prevent such tragedies as jumping off the Clare sundek, pretending to be a paramecium in the Wetlands, or eating Perc food to stay awake with indigestion.)

1) The first step, of course, is the traditional bulletin board check. This time (being your third), write the finals' schedule on something you won't lose, or play like a Manson-member, and engrave it on your head.

2) Next, you'll need to stock up on a few items. Take a shopping spree at Lafayette Square. If you don't have a car: a) hijack the blue goose, b) organize a walking race with your other car-less friends, c) pile into the back of B. Heilmich's pickup, d) take a camel, e) both b and d. . . . It's a caravan! Here is your shopping list: a four-pack of Charmin, one Bic Banana, four Bic Clinks, one large apple, a box of Kleenex, rose-colored glasses, Bing Crosby Christmas album, blank cassette tape, and a pint of peppermint schnapps.

3) Return to your room. Take out Charmin, pretending each role is one of your teachers, squeeze it, mummify! In honor of your favorite teacher, tear assigned roll into pieces and flush away.

4) Now that some tension has been released, using a Bic Banana, recopy notes from all subjects on a remaining roll of Charmin. This move is designed to make use of idle times when other "movements" may occur. (A new concept in learning . . . disposable notes.)


6) Using the right hand screw rule, uncap peppermint schnapps. Insert a shot into the opening of the alimentary canal (anatomy students, a review for you).

7) While drinking it, think back to the days of candy canes, and think ahead to battle. 8) On a blank cassette tape, record notes for first exam, singing them to the melody of "We Shall Overcome."

9) Repeat Step 6.

10) Lie down in bed.

11) Hook up earphones to tape recorder, insert in ear channel, shut lights out, sleep, and be sure to have plenty of REM's.

12) Wake up, glance over notes, and play tape out loud while getting ready for class.

13) Insert large apple into roommate's groaning mouth.

14) Put on rose-colored glasses to hide blood-shot eyes from teacher. (I saw you repeat Step 9 three times!!!)

15) With a box of Kleenex and Bic Clinks in hand, prepare to attack classroom . . . so-called D-Day tactics.

16) Flick your Bic with writing hand and fill that blue book!

17) If Step 16 is not accomplished, file suit against me, take your Kleenex and blow schizophrenia. (If in biology wing, first floor, used recycled absorbent paper instead of Kleenex—Bemmumblard might raise your grade a notch.)

18) Prepare for remaining exams, following Steps 5-17.

19) Go home and have a Merry Christmas.

20) Have a Happy New Year with leftover peppermint schnapps.

Till next semester . . . keep on mummblin', cause without the mimmblin', I'm out of business.
Knights to host Franklin at Armory, Wednesday

BY CURT STOLL

Moving into the last week before final exams, the Marian Knights find themselves facing rival Franklin College at the Naval Armory on Wednesday, Dec. 10.

At this time, the Knights are owners of a 3-3 record, recording defeats both on the road and at home.

Marian opened the '75-'76 season at St. Francis College, where they found themselves engaged in a bitter shoot-out and proved themselves the sharper in a 116-112 triumph. Sophomore Mike Kelzle found himself in the second half of that game and scored 20 points, while haul ing down 10 rebounds.

Just three days later, the Knights found themselves traveling back to Fort Wayne, where they met a much-improved Indiana Tech team. Marian suffered its first loss, 105-92, and came home to prepare against last year's defending District 21 champs, Tri-State University, for the 1975 Homecoming game. Marian went out on top and was never challenged as they winched on an easy 82-76 victory.

Leading the scoring for the Knights was Kevin Smith with 15 points, while Ed Watko pulled down 11 rebounds.

In a very physical contest, the Marian roundballers found themselves trailing most of the game and not being able to do much about it. Wright State left the Knights with a stinging 107-83.

Monday, Dec. 8, the Knights traveled to Bethel College. At press time, game statistics were not available. Marian still has four games remaining before Christmas, featuring contests against Franklin, Dec. 10; Bethel of Tennessee, Dec. 13; and St. Francis, Dec. 20. All are at home.

Coach Schilling sees this year's team as one of the best groups of team ballplayers he has ever coached. The 1975 Marian Knights are combining exciting basketball with an intense schedule.

Your support is greatly appreciated and The Phoenix hopes to see everyone at the Franklin game Wednesday.

Maids prepare for opener at Huntington

BY LINDA NIESEN

There is a growing need for financial assistance and attitude changes toward the recognition and development of women's athletic programs here at Marian. Through this turtle-fast process, the Marian Maids continue to struggle onward, behind the scene.

To focus upon the backstage for a change of pace involves spotlighting on the recently-recruited '75-'76 members of the Marian College Women's Varsity Basketball Team. All 12 members were recruited on "full scholarships," entitling them to a full cup of Dr. Phyllis Jacobson's home- paid, time-favored Gatorade after practices.

Among the privileges are: Patti Lampkin, an experienced senior star from Decatur, Ill.; Holly Bruns, recruited from Millhouse, Ind.; an experienced shoeshine-sweeter (Patti and Holly are the team captains); Jane Aust, a gift from Guilford, Ind.; Elaine Bachman (Frank), a forward sophomore lost from Lanesville, Ind.; Kathy Collins, a freshman flyer sprouted from Brussels, Belgium; Margaret Kochert, a freshman free from New Albany, Ind.; Lucy Lorenz, a junior and lucky long-shot from Anchorage, Ky.; Anita Monnin, a must from the sophomore class who contributes Burger Chef & Jeff fries for the Gatorade; Linda Niesen, a junior joke from St. Bernard, Ohio; Kathy Redelman, ready for anything from Greensburg, Ind.; Janice Stark, a Swedish sophomore starter from Dyer, Ind.; and Amy Stinger, a fast-fingered freshman from Brookville, Ind.

The first game is creeping up slowly but surely on Saturday, Dec. 13, at and with Huntington College. If the muscles aren't still sore from running so much, the players should be looking pretty tough, especially with our strong defensive strategy (COLLAPSE!). Practices commence at 3:30 p.m., promptly, or when everyone arrives, with the coach and her assistant beginning that beloved five-minute welcome run.

Oh yes, the team even has its very own doctor in the house, Dr. Phyllis Jacobson, B.C. (That doesn't mean she's ancient—it means she's the basketball coach.) Her Main strategy for this year is to concentrate on building a strong defense, man-to-man preferably, or zone if disparate.

You don't have to run for 15 minutes per night. The schedule of games is as follows:

Dec. 13—Huntington [Away]
Jan. 13—Indiana Central [Away]
Jan. 27—Franklin [Away]
Feb. 7—Purdue Calumet [Away]
Feb. 8—Earham [Here]
Feb. 21—St. Louis (Away)
Mar. 4—Butler [Here]

Whatever happens as a product of all our running and training, remember players: PALMS UP!!! Any guys wishing to try out as cheerleaders for the girls' team, please contact one of the above!

Christmas packages aid the poor

The word "charity" means a variety of things to a variety of people. Around Christmas the word gains new meaning and the combined efforts of the Biology-Conservation Club and ACS, as these two organizations prepare to help 80 poverty-stricken families in the Indy area.

Both organizations are collecting canned foods, toys, and clothing to be distributed among the families, all with four or five children.

Packing of Christmas packages for the families will be done during exam week. Any help in delivering or packing will be welcomed.

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