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*Compromise: When two people get what neither of them wanted.*

--Rhonda Leigh

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## Comedienne With a PhD Educates/Entertains Marian Next Week



Bertice Berry, nominated in 1991 for **Campus Entertainer of the Year** and **Comedian of the Year**, will perform twice on campus on November 19.

First, at 3:00, Berry will speak at the convocation on "The Existence of Bigotry Around Us--What We Can Do." Then Berry will lighten up a bit and perform a stand-up show for fun at 8:00 p.m. that same night.

Berry is proud to be both an educator and comedian. In addition to the awards mentioned

above, Berry has appeared on t.v. programs from "The Oprah Winfrey Show" to CNN's "Crossfire."

Berry has a Ph.D. in sociology and is a former university professor, but believes that "You can reach a lot more people in comedy clubs than in classrooms."

The 3:00 lecture counts for convocation requirements, and the 8:00 show is FREE to all Marian students.

## New Visitation Hours for Finals Week

Claudia Struewing

Starting this semester, the new visitation hours for the last week of school (finals week) will be noon to midnight Sunday through Thursday and noon to six on Friday.

On Tuesday, November 3, College Council met for its monthly meeting. Among the topics of discussion was the new visitation policy during the week of finals. Up until now there has been no visitation at all during finals, and many feel that a change is due.

Last month several members of MCSA conducted a survey asking students questions concerning how long they study for finals, where they study, if they would like vis during finals, etc.

According to Lara

Beck, MCSA Student Activities Chairperson, sophomores, juniors, and seniors from all three residence halls participated in this survey, with over ninety-two percent answering that they were in favor of having some visitation during finals. Over fifty percent were in favor of continuing with the regular hours. Well, these students got their wish.

It is no longer necessary to sneak members of the opposite sex into rooms. Starting this semester the new hours for the last week of school will be added to visitation. For those who have no idea what regular visitation hours are, they are: noon to midnight Sunday through Thursday, and noon to 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

## Hoosier Playwright Gives Character, Humor to ALADDIN

**What: Aladdin**

**When: Nov. 17-20 @10 a.m., 2 p.m.**

**Nov. 21, 22 2 p.m.**

**Where: Marian Auditorium**  
**Who: Marian College students**

**Cost: FREE to Students on 21st and 22nd**

**Karen Murphy**

The upcoming children's play, "Aladdin", was written by a Hoosier playwright, Cheryl Heath. Heath has a BFA degree from the University of Evansville and a MFA in Performance from the University of Georgia. Now she's back in Indy writing and making a living.

Heath has been writing for a little over ten years, but has always been in theater. She has done acting, directing, writing, and even some costume design, stating that "It's very important for theater people to know all aspects about theater."

While Heath has experienced all aspects of theater, her most recent ventures have been in playwrighting. She started with the Indianapolis Shakespeare Festival, adapting eight or nine Shakespearean plays for elementary and high school students. She has also written a few

original plays and is getting ready to write a novel.

Heath wrote an adaptation for "Aladdin" this past summer for the Children's Museum. Marian's director of "Aladdin", S. Bart Simpson, saw the play, liked it, and wanted to perform it at Marian. Simpson and Heath are old friends.

When asked how she changed the tale, which is an old tale from "1001 Arabian Nights", Heath commented that "Aladdin becomes a much more interesting character." In the original tale, Heath says,

"Aladdin is a bum." She puts something in Aladdin's character to make him worthwhile and has him learn a lesson.

Heath also gives the genie his own personality so that he, too, "makes a statement," she says.

Regarding Marian's performance of the play, Heath says that she has not and will not see any rehearsals, but will wait until performances begin. She reported that, "I have never disliked anything Bart has done," and that, "A play is like a child. The playwright is its mother. You have to take

care of it, but make it strong enough to go out on its own."

Heath is a two-time winner of the Indiana Arts Commission Individual Fellowship Grant, for Visual Performance, which she won for her playwrighting.

Heath also wrote an adaptation to "Dracula" which will be performed in February at the University of Evansville, her alma mater.



## God Bless the U.S.A.

Drew Suelzer

The American people have spoken and their voice was heard. Bill Clinton is now the President-elect of the United States. It not only was a victory for those who supported the Clinton/Gore camp, but a victory for all Americans. We can feel victorious in knowing more Americans made their voice count in this election than in any other in recent history. When young and old, black and white, females and males, all come together and stand up as one and say to the world, "We are Americans! We were given that name by those who died in the fight for freedom, and we are proud to exercise one of

those freedoms and vote."

The balance of power has shifted from the pre-World War II leadership to the sons and daughters of a new generation. A generation full of new ideas, full of new energy and vitality. With this change must also come a certain amount of caution. The United States has become successful because we have adhered to the ideology of our forefathers, and when changes had to occur, they were administered to in an orderly, and democratic fashion.

With every great contest there has to be winners and losers. In the arena of politics, espe-

cially in U.S. politics, those who are losers must look past their initial feelings of loss and/or of anger and look towards the new horizon.

Those soon to be in the drivers seat must allow time for the wounds from the campaign to heal, and to realize the benefit of all working together towards one common goal.

The Reagan/Bush era has come to an end. It was twelve years of ups and downs, successes and failures. We as a country learned a great deal; it is now time to gather the experiences learned and build a future based on an understanding of the past and dreams for the future.

## Lord Help the U.S.A.

Dear President-elect:

I am writing this as a disgruntled voter. Not only did you come away smelling like roses November 3, but you pulled enough wool over the public's eyes to reel in a landslide victory over my candidate, George Bush, and my second choice, Ross Perot. That's right. You fell dead last on my ballot.

I can remember less than a year ago when Democratic candidates were scoffed at. An Arsenio Hall joke went as follows: "Do you know the best strategy for the Democratic party in 1992? (No, what is it, Arsenio?) Wait until 1996." Very funny, huh? I know you'll be laughing all the way to the inaugural ball in January.

President Bush--whom you never referred to as such during the debates--must see his occupancy taken from him and must

say his Washingtonian farewells. He now turns the reins over to you--you, the Rhodes scholar who ventured to the Kremlin during the Vietnam conflict for anti-American demonstrations; you who attempted to smoke the wacky weed in college but forgot to inhale; you who did not keep faithful to your wife Hillary in favor of romping with Gennifer Flowers (please keep hanky panky in the White House to a sub-Kennedy-years tally); you, the ultimate politician and Democratic robot (Will the real Governor Clinton's stand on issues please rise?); you who--I'll give you credit--took the voting public by storm with your pronouncement of change and your ability to use the nation's economy as a problem source was pivotal.

You had the media entirely in your corner and thus prompting millions of gullible voters to punch

their ballot Clinton/Gore. What you and your Democratic congress will conjure up in four years is beyond me. Please hold true to your economic plans which were so highly publicized and shy away from liberal issues such as gay rights, etc. More than any other request, I'd like you to listen to this one. Do not approve of a bill that would allow for government funded abortions at any time, like I have heard you might try to pass. This would be the undoing of this country's decency. Please note you are not dealing with the small state of Arkansas anymore; you are leading the greatest nation on Earth. Note that we the people intend for it to still be the best when you turn it over to Dan Quayle in November 1996.

Sincerely,  
William J. Fehlinger

## A Democracy at Work

Carloš Vidaurre

The American democratic system has once again triumphantly demonstrated how much the power of government lies with its people. For the last 13 months or so the people of our great nation were in the process of making up their minds about who should lead them for the next four years. The endless rhetoric, the campaign stunts, and the debates had only one purpose in mind: to influence the electoral populous in its decision. However, now that the decision has been made it is time for all Americans to "roll up their sleeves," and begin the challenging but historic endeavor of strengthening this nation.

I am aware that there are many people not content with the election of President-Elect Bill Clinton. This is not the time, however, to be divided on partisan issues. We must come together and work with one another if anything is to be done these next four years. Both Ross Perot and President Bush advocate unity if the pursuit of the "American Dream" is to become a reality for all Americans. Partisan ideology must not interfere with the call for unity that all three leaders have beckoned us to do. The new president is, in my belief, determined to make this na-

tion to be a political and economic superpower once again.

It is of even more importance that our generation, the future of this country, become intricately involved in the process. The quality and quantity of labor will determine the nation we inherit and pass on to our children. The young educated people of this country must accept the challenge of change to better our nation, and meet it head on because it is our future that is at stake. The strengthening of our domestic economy, reforming the political system, curing our social ills, securing a safe environment for our children to live in, and many more other issues that are today's controversies are not only for the president's agenda, indeed, they are on the agenda of America.

...It is my hope that Bill Clinton will bring about the positive change he has talked about for 13 months. As a matter of fact, I want to help him do it because it is in my interest that the America of 1996 be full of opportunity and prosperous. Partisan division is no longer a constant because America is not in need of republicans, democrats, or anything else but Americans. America chose for change November third, now America must bring it about.

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# Men's Tennis Team Improves Greatly with 11-5 Record

Will Fehlinger

If you were to give an award for the most improved sports squad on the Marian campus over the last couple of years, it would ostensibly go to the tennis team. The team finished its 1992 fall season with an 11-5 record (4th in conference), improving upon last fall's 7-5 mark and making a complete 360 degree turn from the 1990 fall season, when the team finished 3-8.

The sole survivor from those dog days is senior Jamie Snyder, who was named the Most Valuable Player at the team banquet after posting a 3-0 record in singles and teaming with sophomore Lee Phillips at No.2 doubles for a 7-5 record. Being the sole senior this past year obviously means Jamie's shoes must be filled.

Coach Tony Natali commented, "We only lost one, so we'll have to replace him." From the looks of things, he need not worry too much. The young nucleus which makes up the team con-

sists of: 1 Singles John Gervasio, a soph who posted a 8-5 record and was named all-district; and 2 Singles Shane Crager, another soph who finished 10-3 and teamed with sophomore Scott Pettis for a 7-4 mark at No.3 doubles. Shane was also named to the all-district team.

The supporting cast doesn't end there. There is sophomore Greg Boyd, who finished 9-3 while playing 3 Singles and 7-4 at No.1 doubles, together with soph Walt Smithers. Smithers topped off a terrific year playing 6 Singles (12-1 record) by winning the district tourney at his position. Kwin Raymer, another sophomore went 10-2 playing the 5 Singles spot and newcomer Chad Docktor won 7 and lost 5 at the 4 Singles slot.

Also contributing were frosh Scott Bruns, who won one singles match against no losses and fellow frosh Andy Rice, who teamed with Docktor for a 3-0 mark in doubles. Other members included freshmen Josh

Parmenter, Michael Joyce, Jason Lee, and Marcus Light.

Coach Natali couldn't have expected more from his team that placed second in the district tournament. "I was really happy. All of my expectations were surpassed, especially at districts." This comes from a coach who saw his former teams finish last and middle in districts in 1990 and 1991, respectively. "I really look forward to the coming years, both in men's and women's tennis" Natali continued. "If we can continue to improve, presuming we keep the same players, from this year to the next, we can challenge for the top places in the conference and districts. The two biggest things the team has going for it are attitude and work ethic. If everyone works hard over the off-season, we will be that much better."

Post-season awards, other than Jamie Snyder's MVP, went to Kwin Raymer for Mental Attitude and to Walt Smithers for Most Improved.

## Lack of Royalty in '92 Homecoming

Student apathy reached its peak last week, resulting in the loss of a Homecoming Queen title for 1992.

As the votes were counted on Thursday, November 5, the findings were not sufficient to choose a homecoming court. The Freshman class winner was a guy, in an all-female court. The Sophomore and Junior boxes contained several votes for the same person, all written in the same handwriting. (Note: it was not the nominee's handwriting.) The Senior box did not appear to have been tampered with.

Booster Club President, Siovhon Shea, is frustrated with the students' overall reaction thus far to Homecoming, stating that, "It's just the students' ignorance... They don't know how long it takes to put the whole thing together." Shea pointed out that Homecoming was planned, as always, by the Booster Club, with four people doing most the work.

Trouble with Homecoming began weeks ago as word got out that tickets would be \$50. Students directly attacked Shea on the matter, quite insultingly. The Booster

Club then went back to MCSA, who then subsidized the tickets, bringing ticket prices down to \$30 a couple. "But," Shea pointed out, "people still bitched." Tickets are selling good now, however.

According to Shea, they tried to get rid of the Booster Club this year, and Homecoming would have gone under MCSA. If that were to happen, the dance would have to be on campus and no liquor could be served. Four out of five frustrated members are graduating this year, so unless students get out and do something, this may very well happen.

## Pump Up the Spirit with the MC Knights!!!



Hey Marian students and faculty, get your act together--take a study break--and support the 1992-93 basketball team. Their first game of the season is Saturday, November 14, and it is homecoming.

Although many of you may be feeling the pressures of finding a dress (or tie) to wear or that miserable, impossible task of finding a date, come out and support your team and start a step in the right direction.

Many events have been scheduled for homecoming week and the Marian cheerleaders are getting involved. Starting with Tuesday, November 10, the varsity cheerleaders are sponsoring Chris Ehr Gott for the homely-coming queen contest. *But seriously, come and support this "gorgeous" guy as he takes home the crown (or not)!*

On Thursday, November 12, the cheerleaders are having a bonfire to pump up the spirit for Saturday's game, wish the team members good luck, and also to give all of our brains a study break! Hot chocolate will be served and this year there will really be a fire (we hope!). The location of this spirit-pumper-upper is in the parking lot in front of St. Francis at 7:30. Just look for the big red flames.

You may think the fun is over after Friday night's mock rock, but the excitement will have only just begun. During Saturday's game, raffle tickets will be sold and will be drawn at half-time. Many prizes will be given away, such as free dinners, tanning sessions, and overnight hotel stays. Don't miss your opportunity to win some terrific prizes, come to the game Saturday and buy your tickets!

At the game this year, you will be led in cheers and chants by the greatest squad ever here at Marian! The cheerleading squad is bigger and better and consists of 18 members: Toby Stretch, Kim Howard, Amy Garner, Maureen Meier, Penny Cope, Katrina Jahn, Jaime Ursta, Jennifer Hawk, Wendy Allen, Matt Stoelb, Matt Gudeman, Aaron Felty, Johnny Link, Todd Yoder, Jose Argiz, Matt Rzonka, Ryan Wolf, and Kevin England.

The varsity cheerleaders are sporting new uniforms, new pompons and new megaphones. The squad has done a terrific job and worked very hard.

This year's starting out with a BANG--don't be left in the dust; you'll have a great time--that you MUST!!

Marian College  
Cheerleaders

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## OPINIONS

### Speaker on Crime Didn't Cover Enough

I agree with Whitney Mueller's article in the last Carbon that Ms. Diane Mormon gave some helpful advice at her self-defense seminar. Ms. Mormon's suggestions for ways to avoid being victimized in the first place were right on target. Her presentation was smooth, often humorous, and generally well-organized. However, some of her suggestions were misleading, and whole areas of self-defense options were ignored.

Ms. Mormon's advice was clearly biased by the fact that she is not a self defense expert, nor merely a "representative" of Citizens Against Crime (CAC), but their salesperson. She defined CAC as a "national private organization," which is a euphemism for a profit-oriented company. This was not made clear, however, until the end of her seminar, when she made her pitch for the sale of tear gas. Though there was no obligation to buy, and attendance at the seminar was free, just a few sales would likely pay for her time.

...Ms. Mormon suggested only two means of fighting a rapist: an eye

jab and a groin technique. She claimed that one could poke out an attacker's eyes with one's thumbs. However, the method she demonstrated did not allow enough distance for the thumbs to accelerate. Both her techniques required that the victim use her hands and be facing the rapist. What if the victim's hands are tied, or the attack is from behind?

She also recommended that the victim wait to use these techniques until a clear opportunity presents itself. Studies have shown that those who have successfully defended themselves reacted **immediately** to their attackers. Those who wait for the "ripe moment" ultimately become victims, perhaps because their confidence decreases over time, while that of the offender increases.

I agree with Ms. Mormon that firearms are not the best solution to the problem. CAC would like you to believe that purchasing a can of tear gas is the answer. This strategy requires that you have the tear gas on your person at all times, just like a firearm. This is the major

weakness of these approaches, for many people are victimized in their sleep or in the shower.

I could go on, but I believe my point is proven. There is no easy answer to the self-defense question, and no strategy can prevent all possible forms of victimization by crime. I freely admit my bias as a martial artist. Crime avoidance is best, but if you must fight, I believe the only weapons you can count on are those you carry with you all the time--hands, feet, elbows, etc. This approach does not necessarily require a lifetime commitment to the study of physical self-defense. Some education and training, with periodic refresher courses, may suffice.

I have taught a karate class every semester since the spring of 1991; however, self-defense is not the only goal of karate training...As a faculty member, I feel a duty to make our students feel safe. Toward this end, one evening next semester I will present a comprehensive self defense seminar, free to all students.

**Dr. Joseph R. Coelho**

### Theft on Campus

I am writing this article to make every student, faculty and staff member aware of theft taking place; on this campus. If you have any type of personal belonging you better hold onto it at all times or better yet, not bring them to school and leave them in the computer lab.

My point is I left a plastic disk holder containing approximately eight of my computer disks in the computer lab and they were stolen. These are not blank, useless, cheap, meaningless floppy disks because these disks have every term paper, abstract report, resume, accounting project, letter, program, computer class assignment--everything I have had to type since my freshman year of college. Come computer lab workers, Mr. Larry Carter and myself know that my disks were in the computer lab on Monday, October 19-Wednesday, October 21 but had disappeared by Thursday,

October 22 when I went to retrieve them. For the person who took my disks--you know who you are and I hope you are reading this and your conscience is telling you that you were wrong and to return my disks. I don't care to know who specifically took my valuables--I will even give you a cash reward if I get my disks back with my work still on them. Even if you destroyed them or reformatted the disks just let me know so I can give up my hope and know they are gone. If you took them please, please return them anonymously in Mr. Carter's or Jim Lekse's mailbox in Marian Hall basement.

If anyone has information or can help please call me at X409 or Larry Carter at X283. Don't wait to be caught. I really need and want my disks back.

**Frustrated and Disappointed**  
**Stacey Faryna**

### Top Ten Canadian Observations of the Presidential Election

**Chris MacEachern**

10. President Bob MacKenzie and Vice-President Doug MacKenzie...has a nice ring to it eh!

9. Admiral Stockdale must have been a hockey player at some time eh! Just listen to him speak eh!

8. Mr. Clinton, you have smoked pot but haven't inhaled. Does that mean that you can taste Canadian beer but you can't swallow it eh!

7. Who is this hosehead reporter Sam Donaldson? He needs some back bacon and a swift hockey check to loosen him up eh!

6. Hey Ross, nice keester eh!

5. The Federal Deficit and a myriad of other economic problems will hinder the economy as the United States seeks to move from recessionary inflation to a period of economic stability and capital growth. (Sorry, I wanted to sound smart, eh!)

4. Can you find a job for our Prime Minister Mulroney? He's as useful as a hockey game without fighting.

3. Cut military spending and create employment. Here's the answer..Buy a 12 Pack of our Canadian Mounties and I'll throw in 3 Donut shops and a Swiss Army knife eh!

2. Funny how our flag was right side up this time eh!

1. Read my lips: TAKE OFF EH, YOU LOSER!



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