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Welcome Back!

Welcoming new faces!

By: Maggie Joseph and Madeline Ruff
We have some new faces at Marian this year. Let's talk about a couple of them.

Let's start with Ms. Hebding. Ms. Hebding started at Marian Catholic August 2018. I was privileged to sit down and have a short interview with her. Ms. Hebding is a proud graduate of La Salle University. Her undergraduate major was English and her graduate degree was in education. Before Marian, Ms. Hebding taught at St. Joseph's in Jim Thorpe. Outside of her teaching career, she enjoys taxidermy. "I love making roadkill beautiful again." Her experience here at Marian has been wonderful. "I love it, the students are great. I love my students." Her favorite subject to learn and teach is English.

Next, Madeline Ruff interviewed Mr. Mrochko. Mr. Mrochko is the new STEM teacher here at Marian. He is a 2018 graduate of Bloomsburg University; he also spent 2 years at Penn State Hazleton. While at Bloomsburg, he obtained his Bachelor of Science in Education and his Bachelor of Arts in History. In his free time he enjoys doing carpentry and working in mechanics.



Ms. Hebding shows how happy she is to be at Marian



Mr. Mrochko poses with the new 3D printer in the virtual STEM lab

When I asked him what he enjoys most about Marian he told me that, it's a traditional school and he likes the family atmosphere that Marian has to offer.

Let us welcome and be thankful for for our new English and STEM teacher!

Upcoming events -

Oct. 2 - College Fair

Oct. 4 - Blue Activity

Oct. 8 - No school

Oct. 10 - PSAT/ASVAB Tests

Oct 14 - Fall Festival

Oct. 19 - Homecoming

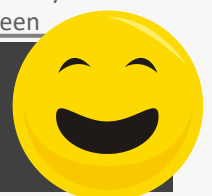
Oct. 22 - 31 - Book Fair

Oct. 23 - Gold Activity

Oct. 31 - Halloween

Newspapers should proofread!

City unsure why the sewer smells



Marian Volleyball Season Opener

by: Grace Mussoline

On Tuesday, September 4th, the Marian Fillies took on the Blue Mountain Eagles in their first game of the season. Their aggressiveness and eagerness showed throughout the whole game. Sadly, after a hard fight, the Fillies lost. I had the opportunity to interview the captains on the team, and to my surprise, they are putting this game behind them and taking on the next game with a clean pallet. Caroline Snerr, Senior Captain, said, "It was disappointing to lose because we worked so hard for this game. We are going to work towards our goal and win more games." Her words show truly how dedicated she is to the game. I also interviewed another Senior Captain, Antonina Zeleniak. Her words were exactly, "It's sad that we lost because it was the first game of my senior season and we worked so hard. I am excited for the rest of the season, though." Katie Spillman, also a Senior Captain, added, "Losing was sad but I know that won't be our mentality for our games in the future."

The Fillies are clearly ready for their next games ahead, and will work towards their goal of victory.



Alivia Karchner, Sophomore, attacks the ball during the Fillie's first game of the season.

Marian Colts Football 2018

By Dylan Seibert



<https://www.skooknews.com/2018/09/photos-marian-catholic-north-schuylkill.html>

The 2018 season is underway for the Colts. The football team has several returning starters and a good amount of varsity experience coming up this season.

The Colts are coming off of a 4-7 season. It is also the second year having Coach Morgans as the head coach. Without the leadership and intensity that Zack Falls brought out under the lights, some new leaders are expected to come forward.

"We have high hopes this year." said the returning senior, Jake McLaughlin. With the Colts having a rough start at 0-5, McLaughlin thinks that "there's a lot to prove and we have room for improvement." Even though it isn't an ideal start for the season, a gold medal is still in the eyes of every player on the team.



Labor Day

By Jordan Woitko

What does Labor Day mean to you? Today many Americans miss the true meaning of Labor Day, and just see it as a day off. People look at Labor Day as another excuse to throw a party, but on this day a party should not be the main concern. People also use this day to shop, and take advantage of all the Labor day sales seen in stores. It seems today that like most, this is just another holiday that is commercialized.

Labor Day is a day to honor the social and economic establishments of workers. The very first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on September 5, 1882, in New York City. This holiday is a good reminder of how our nation can advance the lives of American workers as a country. By 1894 about 23 states had adopted the holiday. In June of 1894 on the twenty eighth of the month congress passed an act making the first Monday of every September a legal holiday in dedication to American workers. This is something that should be taking seriously, because on this day we honor those who work with determination and effort to make our country great.



Peer Listeners are inducted at Mass

By Grace Lorenz

We here at Marian celebrated the mass for the induction of new peer listeners on Wednesday September 26, 2018. The new peer listeners went through a confidentiality class where they were trained to know how to deal with the problems of other people. The peer listeners help people when they are having a rough go at a situation, they are an extra set of ears for your problems. We celebrated mass and Father Miller said a blessing over the new peer listeners to let the Holy Spirit guide them. The new Peer Listeners and the already inducted Peer Listeners were blessed and the newly inducted peers received a pin like the old peers to represent who they are. If you need a peer come find Mrs. Matunis, the moderator of the group, and ask her or stop a peer in the hallway. Sometimes you just need a good listener to feel better.



Peer listeners pose in the shape of a heart to show everyone they care

Grandparents, hold our hearts forever

By Rhiannon Malarkey

On Wednesday September 12, 2018, we as a Marian family celebrated our grandparents. Since they support us in all that we do, we decided to honor them by inviting them to join us in our weekly celebration of mass. The grandparents got showered with love by their grandchildren and received a very special sunflower and instead of sitting with their class the students got to spend some quality time with their grandparents and sat with them. Father Miller, the chaplain at Marian, even incorporated the grandparents in his homily by thanking them for all they do for us and gave all the grandparents a special blessing. I got the opportunity to catch up with some grandparents after mass, all of them saying "how lovely the mass was" and how lovely the singing was," the singing being cantered by senior vocalist Ariel Stanalonis. We hope that the grandparents enjoyed themselves and come back to visit our school family soon.



The Importance of Eucharistic Ministers

By: Vlad Holoviak

As Jesus himself said: 'Many are called, but few are chosen.' This can be taken in many ways. Some look at it as not all of us are made for one job. Maybe some of us will be doctors, and others might be plumbers. Some, however, are called to work closer to God, for example the priesthood, or in this case, a Eucharistic Minister. Eucharistic Ministers distribute Holy Communion during mass to assist the priest in charge.

But not everyone can be a Eucharistic Minister. There are certain requirements that must be met to become one:

- You must be a practicing Catholic
- You must be recommended by your parish priest
- You must be approved by the administration
- You must be trained by Father Miller

This training covers being told what is expected of you, preparing you for different scenarios like if someone drops the host or if they don't properly receive it, practicing how to properly give people the host and most importantly, you are told that 'No one is worthy to hold the Body of Christ'.

Being a Eucharistic minister is a great responsibility and the following have taken on that responsibility:

Jacob Artz, Caitlyn Bales, Daniel Berlitz, Zachary Boyer, Nicole Capparell, Ryan Cappell, Meghan Darrough, Matthew Doherty, Tori Dutz, Collin Eisenhower, Maggie Joseph, Courtney Kovatch, Robert Kuznicki, Faith Letcher, Grace Lorenz, Jacob McLaughlin, Rhiannon Malarkey, Alexa Murray, Grace Mussoline, Andrew Osilka, Courtney Rodick, Alexa Sandefer, Isabella Schwabe, Christian Smith, Caroline Snerr, Kate Spillman, Ariel Stanalonis, Jordan Woitko, and Antonina Zeleniak.



Marian loses alumni

The Marian family is saddened at the loss of one of our own, Brandon Novatnak. Brandon was a graduate of Marian in 2017. He was funny and charming and a friend to everyone. One of Brandon's favorite activities was playing football for the Marian Colts. His fellow players have said that he was liked by all and could really cheer them up with his sense of humor. For his teachers he was a good student who seemed to enjoy his classes but still had a little fun with everything. Remember Brandon and his family in your prayers. His family and friends will never forget him and he is forever a part of the Marian family.



New Student Council for Marian

By: Brian Bauer

On Wednesday, September 5th the new Marian Student council members were inducted into office. The members were inducted by Mrs. Coles moderator of the organization. The members will bring ideas to the school board, come up with different activities when appropriate, such as during spirit week, and are always there for welcoming events like open house, meet the teachers, etc. They came up to the altar after Mass and received their pins that were blessed by Father Miller, and they recited the Student Council Oath to be inducted into the Council.

The Student Council members that were inducted were;

President, Keith McCall

Vice President, Antonina Zeleniak

Secretary, Grace Mussoline

Treasurer, Nicole Capperall

For the Class of 2019

President, Victoria Dutz;

Vice President Isabella Schwabe;

Secretary/Treasurer, Collin Eisenhower

Home room representatives; 1A Maggie Joseph;

2A Emma McClafferty;

3A Lidia Sokarda.

For the Class of 2020

President, Carolyn Mehallo

Vice President, Lucca Stroia

Secretary/Treasurer, Thomas Betterly

Home room representatives; 1B Abbey Digris;

2B Sarah Halupa

3B Andraya Pikitus.

For the Class of 2021

President, Tatianna Zeleniak

Vice President, Gavin Vercusky

Home room representatives; 1C, Owen Brady

2C, Alivia Karchner

3C, Jaminson Wheeler

For home room 1E, Jacob Belizia

Congratulations to all of these student council inductees.

GOLF TEAM MAKES RUN FOR GLORY

Young Team Finding Ways to Win

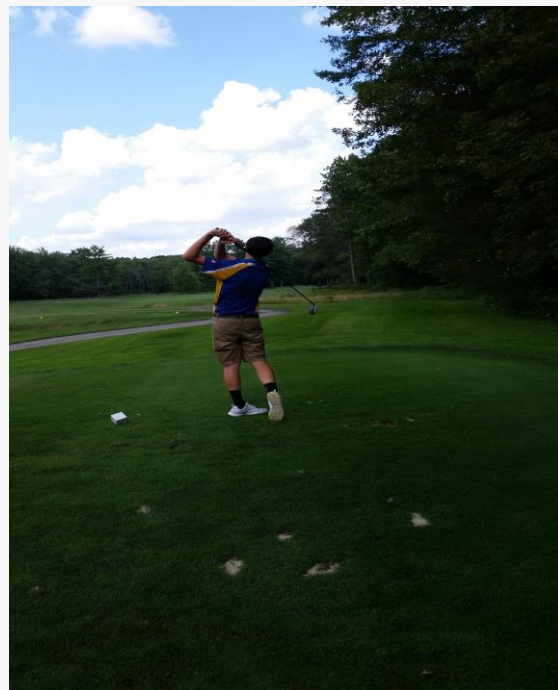
By: Jacob Artz

LEIGHTON - The season seemed bleak for the storied golf team at Marian Catholic. Only three golfers were returning and the team was desperate to continue the winning legacy that the players before set. Mr. Brylewski (better known as Mr. B.) and the administration made this possible as five new freshmen joined, rounding out an exciting, young team. The summer was full of trial and error as many of the young guns didn't have much experience at all.

As the weeks progressed, however, Mr. B once again worked his magic and had the players in prime form. The season started with some nail bitters and close calls, but the team managed to perform in the clutch and win. This included a playoff win over Weatherly at home and three other wins by nine shots or fewer. These close matches showcased two wins over North Schuylkill by five shots. These close wins proved pivotal as Marian Catholic finished a game ahead of Weatherly and North Schuylkill in the Division II standings.

This winning was met with adversity, as some players were hurt or shifted in the rotation. Mr. B offered this about the team during the season, "At first, I was concerned about not having a team, but once these freshmen came in, I had a group to work with and form a good team." The adversity was handled well as the character and mental fortitude of the team was strengthened. The bunch banded together and swallowed the losses with class. The losses featured a regular season sweep by rival Pine Grove and loss to Weatherly on the road. Through the bumps in the road, the golf team managed a seven wins offset by three losses in Division II to clinch second place. This allows them to advance to play in the Schuylkill League Team Championship at Mountain Valley Golf Course.

The team earned an overall record of seven wins compared to just four losses. This overall record allowed Marian Catholic to secure a berth into the District XI Championship at Lehigh Country Club on October 8th. The team is looking forward to the exciting postseason as they pursue a championship.



Marian Catholic's Jonathon Grutza tees off on hole three at Mahoning Valley Country Club. He is admiring his shot after he crushed the ball, splitting the fairway

Coming Soon



Scholastic Book Fair Oct 22-31