

MARIANEWS

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Homecoming at Marian

By: Rhiannon Malarkey

The Marian Colts football team faced off against the Mahanoy Golden Bears in the homecoming game on October 19, 2018. All week the homecoming court campaigned for the schools votes and, on Thursday when the school voted for King and Queen, they had a tough decision. For Queen, they had to pick between star volleyball Katie Spillman, star football manager Maggie Joseph, star singer Ariel Stanalonis and star cheerleaders Sarah Michalesko and Courtney Rodick. For King, the students had an even tougher decision to choose between star wide receiver Jacob McLaughlin, star swimmer Danny Berlitz, star baseball player Joseph McGinley, star running back Matthew Doherty and star peer listener Nacin Rojas.

After the girls drove around in their special cars and all the candidates were introduced, the moment we had all been waiting for came. Our principal, Mrs. Jean Susko, announced the homecoming Queen as Maggie Joseph and the homecoming King as Matthew Doherty. I had the pleasure of meeting up with Maggie after the game and when asked about how she feels to be Queen she said “It is truly an honor. To be considered as a candidate and then to be announced as queen was breathtaking! All the candidates that stood beside me are just as deserving. I am blessed to have had this opportunity and I am extremely thankful for all of the support I had. The biggest win tonight was over Mahanoy and i couldn’t be more proud of our boys. Go Colts !!”

Like the Queen said, the Colts did pull off a big win with a 28-25 victory to improve their record to 4-5. Up next, the Colts will face the Tamaqua Blue Raiders in a rivalry game on senior night.



A King is not complete without his Queen. So, Marian’s 2019 Royalty is Matthew Doherty and his Queen Maggie Joseph.

Upcoming events -

Nov. 1 – All Saints Day Memorial Mass	Nov. 9 – Veteran’s Day Assembly
Nov. 5 – Blood Drive	Nov. 17 – Night at the races
Nov. 8 – Blue Activity	Nov. 20 - Gold Activity
Nov. 5-9 – National French Week	Nov. 22-26- Thanksgiving Break

Newspapers should proofread!

One-armed man applauds kindness of strangers



DIG PINK! Breast Cancer Awareness Month

by Madeline Ruff

During the month of October we celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness month. Breast Cancer is a cancer that forms in the cells of the breast tissue. It is very common in the US with more than 200,000 cases per year. Here at Marian we show our support for breast cancer awareness by having our Dig Pink game. The Dig Pink game is a volleyball game where the girls wear pink to show support for Breast Cancer survivors and fighters.

Around the world people run organizations to raise money for Breast Cancer research. Many people walk/run or do some other kind of activity to raise money for cancer. The pink ribbon is an international symbol for breast cancer. In 1991, the pink ribbons were given out to all the survivors and participants in the Komen New York City Race for the Cure. That was the first time the ribbons were given out. Ribbons are still given out during Breast Cancer Awareness Month to show support to the fighters/ survivors and those who lost their fight.



Pink Out Night pose before the pink ribbon are from left: Antonina Zeleniak, Kate Spillman and Caroline Snerr.

The Celebration of Oktoberfest

By Vladimir Holoviak

It's that time of year when people all over celebrate the month of October and the great fall harvest and especially their German heritage. They even call these celebrations Oktoberfest but that's not really what they are. There is a real Oktoberfest which may have started them all.

Oktoberfest is the time of year when people from all over the world get together to celebrate a 200 year old tradition that includes drinking beer, eating German food, watching some Schuhplattler dancers slap their knees, and just in general, making merry. Here's a little background.

The first Oktoberfest was on 12 October 1810 when Crown Prince Ludwig, who later became King Ludwig I, married the princess Teresa of Sassonia-Hildburghausen. A celebration was held in the fields in front of the city gate. All the citizens of Munich were invited and the fields from that day forward were called "Theresienwiese" or Teresa's Meadow, in honor of the princess. It was later shortened to "Wies'n." The closing ceremony included horse races and a feast. A decision to repeat the horse races the following year began what is now known as Oktoberfest.

Throughout the years, adjustments were made. For example, some rides and swings were added in 1818, and more impactful, in 1819, the duration of Oktoberfest was lengthened and the start date was made earlier to include some of the longer and warmer days of September. Fast forward to 1850 when the Statue of Bavaria was built making it a piece of Oktoberfest. From 1887 onwards, an opening parade was once again used to begin the festivities. Since 1892, beer has been served in glass jugs. And in 1896, grand halls were built in place of old sheds due to the hosts of Oktoberfest collaborating with brewers. Much later in 1960, the horse races ended and Oktoberfest became what we know it to be today.

Oktoberfest has been held annually except for 24 occasions when it was cancelled due to wars or epidemics. Today, Oktoberfest is bigger than King Ludwig could have ever imagined. With 14 large tents and 21 small ones, there is so much to see and do, it may even become overwhelming in the best way. It certainly seems like an experience you'd want to have at least once in your life. If you have a chance to catch it next year, maybe go see what all the fuss is about.



“Falling into Fall”

By: Grace Lorenz

Pumpkins, Candy Corn, Haunted houses, hay rides... oh my! This year at Marian Catholic the school added a new fall event to the many Marian events that happen during this season, the Annual Campaign Kickoff Fall Festival. This event took place on October 14, 2018 in the Marian gym. The event was on a beautiful fall day, a nice day to enjoy with the family. The fall fest offered many different activities such as vendors, hay rides, yummy fall foods, tricky trays and crafts. There were many different vendors at the fair such as bows, jewelry, thirty-one and so much more. This let the vendors get to show some of there fall items off to the community. The event also offered a hay ride around Marian to everyone who attended the festival. They hope to have this event next year as a nice day out on a fall afternoon for fall fun.



Kids from the school and community kids on the hayride that was offered at the fall festival.

PSAT 2018-19

By Zackary Hnat

Testing is a part of every student’s life. October 10 was the day of testing here at Marian. Seniors spent the day taking the ASVAB test and Juniors and Sophomores spent the day testing, eating, and testing. Wow that sounds like a lot of fun. The day was mostly spent taking the PSATs. Everyone did get lunch and also got a break throughout the test. The test took about 4-5 hours. The first half of the day, the kids went to their classes and then the second half the day was spent testing. PSATs deal with

2018 Marian Colts

By: Dylan Seibert

The Marian Colts have been on a roll this past month culminating with hosting the Mahanoy Area Golden Bears for the 2018 Homecoming game. The Colts won their last four games before Tamaqua brought them down on Senior night.

- Minersville: **17-14 (OT)**
- Panther Valley: **30-6**
- Shenandoah Valley: **39-7**
- Mahanoy Area: **28-25**

District playoffs are the first week of November this season. “I’m looking forward to it simply because we have competition that’s around our size” said Coach Hackenberg. As a coach he knows the potential of team and thinks a championship is possible.



Week 9 coin toss photo by:
Maggie Joseph

English and Math Being a Marian Catholic student the staff makes sure that every Junior and Sophomore takes the test. Taking the test helps out a lot in the future if you're willing to go to college. This is an opportunity that not many kids get. So next time the PSATs come around you better take them. It will change/help your future!!!

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MARIAN CATHOLIC TO HALT BULLYING

Club showing how stomp out bullying

By: Jacob Artz

HOMETOWN - Marian Catholic's S.A.D.D. club is promoting the necessity to stop bullying in the school and all walks of life. The Students Against Destructive Decisions club (S.A.D.D.) has been involved in many positive community oriented events over the years to help improve the blemishes the world has to offer. The club focuses on many negative aspects of life including the usage of drugs, driving distracted, and the inclusion of everyone in society. The campaign the club is currently focused on is stamping out bullying in the school. This anti-bullying campaign began when moderator, Mrs. Mary Matunis, discussed the concern at one of the weekly meetings and the students concurred that it is a problem they see throughout all level of schooling. She said the goal of the campaign is to, "stomp out hurtful words and actions towards vulnerable people," as well as, "stopping negative behavior towards others to make themselves (bullies) feel more important." The solidarity of the students started October of last year as all students wore blue to show their union against the grievances of putting others down for personal gain. The picture below, a sign made by a student at Marian Catholic, was featured on the stopbullying.gov website. Marian Catholic's campaign intensified this year as more signs were displayed throughout the school to tell the student body of the consequences of bullying.



This campaign sign in Marian Catholic's stairwell is shown during the month of October to promote stamping out bullying in Hometown.

In addition to the signs, a tri-fold poster was introduced to show all the negative facets of this disgraceful act and how it hurts people much more than we think. The ongoing battle against this evil is continued outside the campaign as more people are stepping up to the plate to defend the victims of these selfish individuals. This campaign and the generous acts of individuals will put bullying in its place once and for all as S.A.D.D wants to stop the cycle of hurt in this world.

Gone but Not Forgotten

By: Maggie Joseph

The Marian family is saddened at the loss of one of our own, Mary Beth Faust. Mrs Faust worked in our finance office. Although she was always hard at work, she never failed to put a smile on someone's face when they walked into the room. She was a caring person to our students and faculty. Mrs. Faust was very involved with Marian. She sent her three kids, Eric, Kayla, and Samantha to Marian for their high school education. Mrs. Faust was very proud of not only her children, but all the Marian students she met. Our Marian family misses her dearly and sends prayers to all her family and friends.



Mrs. Faust with a big smile on her face, sitting at her desk.

Columbus Day

By Jordan Woitko

In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue, and discovered America. This national holiday celebrates the achievement of Columbus, and his establishment of America. The holiday known as "Columbus Day" which started in about the 1970's, was originally not an official holiday, it was always celebrated as an unofficial holiday. Around 1937 the holiday was finally considered a federal holiday. This very important day is a way for us Americans to honor Columbus' achievements and to celebrate Italian American Heritage. Christopher Columbus was an Italian explorer who took his voyage in August of 1492, his main mission was to chart a western sea route to China, India, and the fabled gold and Spice Islands of Asia, but instead he ended up finding the America's. Now take the time to ask yourself, did Columbus really find the America's? or did someone find it before him? Today it is argued that the Vikings founded the America's, and Columbus shouldn't be celebrated. But Columbus sure had better PR because it is his voyages that made America known to the world, not the Vikings.



Spirit Week

By: Grace Mussoline

During the days of October 15th-19th, Marian faculty, staff, and students participated in a Spirit Week to show off their Marian Spirit. Every year, students look forward to this week. The schedule was as follows:

Monday: “ ’Merica Monday”

Tuesday: “Team Tuesday”

Wednesday: “Color Day”

Thursday: “Throwback Thursday”

Friday: “Crazy Blue & Gold”

There was a wide participation of each theme all across the whole school. On Friday, a bonfire and pep-rally were held to show our appreciation of our sports teams and band and help them get ready for their upcoming events. All of these activities and dress down days lead up to the crowning of our Homecoming king and queen at the Colts’ football game against Mahanoy.

Wednesday:
“Color Day”
The whole school poses in their class colors



Monday: “ ’Merica Monday”



Thursday: “Throwback Thursday”
Seems that 1970s tie-dye was popular that day



Friday: “Crazy Blue & Gold”



Tuesday: “Team Tuesday”



Pep rally and bon fire was a great success and lots of fun as seen above.

Right – the band gets spirited at the bon fire




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Monday, December 17, 2018

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Platters consist of:
Beef or stuffed chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, roll & butter

Don't forget dessert!

Bake sale will be held in conjunction with platter sale

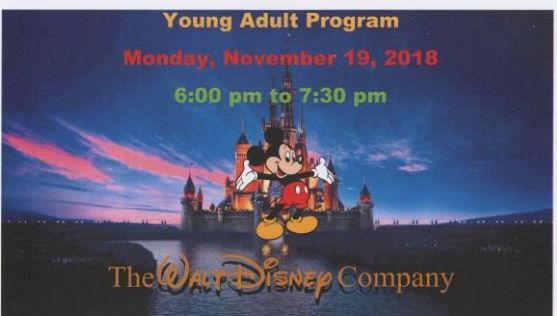
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The Walt Disney Company

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