

# MARIANEWS

Marian High School – Tamaqua, PA 18252

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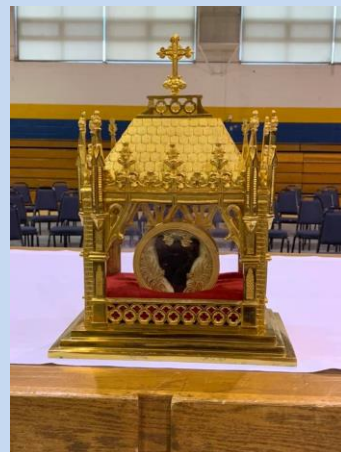
## A Saint comes to Marian

By: Louis Winkler

The students of Marian had a rare treat on April 12, 2019 when the incorrupt heart of St. John Vianney came to Marian. This is a major relic of the Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus offered us a chance to venerate this holy relic here in our school. Vianney's heart is known to be incorrupt and perfectly preserved though being dead for over 150 years. incorrupt and perfectly preserved though being dead for over 150 years.

Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney was born May 8, 1786 in Dardilly, France and died August 4, 1859. He was canonized as a saint May 31, 1925. Vianney was a French priest who was renowned as a confessor and known for "supernatural powers". He is the patron saint of parish priests. He was not well educated due to the French revolution but aspired to be part of the priesthood and risked his life for his faith. He took private tutoring to learn Latin and was drafted into Napoleon's armies in 1809. He was ordained in 1815 and made assistant priest of Ecully, France. In 1818 he became priest of the small village of Ars, which he made a model parish and from which reports of his holiness and his supernatural powers soon spread. He was heavily devoted to the Virgin Mother Mary and the sacrament of reconciliation

"Do not try to please everybody. Try to please God, the angels, and the saints – they are your public" - Saint John Vianney.



### Upcoming events -

June 3-5 – Final Exams

June 8 – Closing Mass & Awards

June 6 – Book Collection/ clean up

June 7- Closing Mass & Awards

Newspapers should proofread!

Most earthquake damage is caused by shaking



# May the Fourth Be With You

By Brian Bauer

In Hollywood far, far away, in 1977, a franchise like no other was brought to the movie screen. *Star Wars* came to light from the imagination of the director George Lucas. This movie started a series of movies that has made 37 billion and counting over the past 41 years since its debut. These movies have brought together millions of people to talk, dispute, and even cosplay. There have been a total of 8 episodes, or movies, out and there is a 9th episode coming out later this year.

May 4th has brought together many people for different events and for just little sit ins at their houses to watch all the movies. If you weren't able to participate in activities, May 5th is a rebound day. After the sequel "Revenge of the Sith," many people refer to it as "Revenge of the Fifth." In a survey of about 50 people in Marian Catholic High School, 24.5% of them have never seen a star wars movie. From that same survey, the most popular movie from this franchise is *The Empire Strikes Back*, with 22.4% favoritism.

Many of the actors are very influential on fans, from dressing up or just being role models for people. They all helped little people realize they can become bigger. To much sadness, the actor who played Chewbacca, a big furry beast called a Wookiee, passed away on April 30th, 2019, four days before Star Wars day. "When I got the message on my phone, a literal tear formed in my eye." Nacin Rojas, a very big Star Wars fan, said when asked about how he felt about the actor's death. Chewbacca roared his way into the hearts of fans all over the world and is an inspiration to all.



ORIGINAL cast of Star Wars taking a picture together and reliving memories from the series. Carrie Fisher, Leia Skywalker, is missing because of her regretful death a few years ago.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsbeat/article/35000452/star-wars-prequels-what-are-the-main-actors-up-to-now>

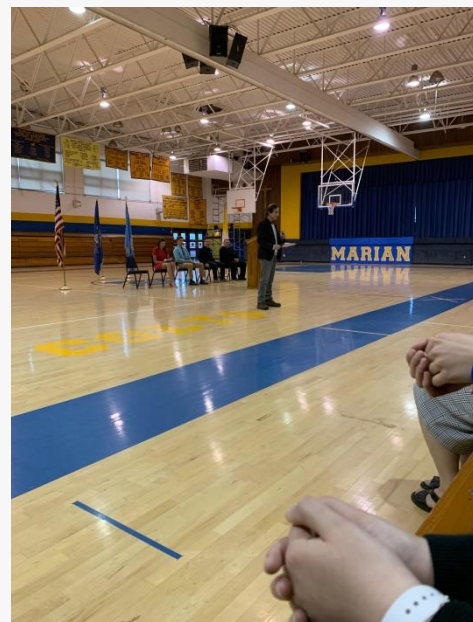
## May Crowning

By: Anika Hahn

Marian Catholic High School celebrated the crowning of our holy mother Mary. This year Courtney Rodick was chosen as May Queen, she got to crown Holy Mary during mass on Friday May 3, 2019. Her court consisted of Maggie Joseph, Maggie O'Rourke, and Jade Ritsick. The boy escorts were Zachery Marro, Nacin Rojas, and Matthew Dougherty with Joseph McGinley as Courtney's escort to crown Mary. Maggie O'Rourke said "it was a great opportunity for me as a senior, and i enjoyed it!" Our school celebrates the crowing and a new senior is chosen every year. It has been an ongoing tradition for many years.



Photo taken by Annika Hahn of the crowned Queen of Heaven moments after mass.



Judge Stevens talks to us on Law Day



## Government Day

By: Brandon Cann

Government Day was held on Thursday April 25th at the Carbon County Courthouse. The people who participated in the program were Brandon Cann, Christian Smith, and Rhio Malarkey. Other schools participated in the event such as Jim Thorpe Panther Valley, and Weatherly school district.

The day started off with students going to the courthouse. There everybody apart of the courthouse introduced themselves and told the students what they do everyday in the courthouse. Then students were invited to go sit in a Board of Commissioners meeting. This meeting was open to the public and issues were discussed such as building more parking space into downtown Jim Thorpe for the general public.

The people who ran the meeting were the Carbon County Commissioners. They were Tom Gerhard, Wayne Nothstein, and William O’Gurek. The meeting started off with opening it up to the public who were there. At times the conversation was heated between the commissioners and the public who had concerns about the town of Jim Thorpe and Carbon County. It was handled very professionally and the commissioners settled the agreement for the people.

After the meeting, students, were allowed to stand up and introduce themselves to the commissioners. They got to tell them what school they attend and what college they plan to attend in the future. After the meeting student were rewarded a free lunch from Subway and Government day was concluded.

Having been there I thought Government day was very worthwhile. It was a day that taught us more about the Government and what goes on every day. Christian Smith who went along the trip thought that “The day was very informative learning that what they do on a daily basis is not just simple things like taking care of licenses, but taking care of marriage and divorces. “Anybody who has the opportunity to go on the trip will not be disappointed because it is a very informative, worthwhile day.



Picture from left goes Zach Mrochko, Tom Gerhard, Christian Smith, and Brandon Cann at Government Day. Picture taken by Tom Gerhard.

## Armed Forces Day

By Joey Wargo

On Saturday, May 19th events took place all around the U.S to honor are vets and currently serving military from The Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard, and reserve units. The celebration usually includes military displays and speeches from all of the branches.

On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson, made a day to replace separate Army, Navy and Air Force Days so as to combine it into one day. This day also pays respect to the MIA and POWs of our forces.

In local tribute, McAdoo had a motorcycle gathering and ride to honor our brave young men and women who have served and are serving today.

Typically all vets and active serving members wear their uniform with patches, badges, and any type of prestige. Armed Forces Day is a wonderful way to share a proud moment with a relative or friend who served.

-"Lord, bid wars trumpet cease; Fold the whole earth in peace."

*Oliver Wendell Holmes*



Spanish Honor Society with Moderator Mrs. Coles seated at center

The Languange Honor Society Induction Mass Was celebrated on April 24, 2019. New members Inducted for French is Located at the right with Moderator Mrs. Heffelfinger centered.



## AWARDS, RECORDS, AND GOOD TIMES AT HERSHEY

Marian Catholic Sends Record 35 Students to 2019 FBLA State Leadership Conference

By Christian Smith

HOMETOWN: Marian Catholic's 2019 Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter just recently did what they do best: making their school proud.

In April, Marian sent 35 students to the FBLA State Leadership Conference - a new all-time high for the chapter. Each of those students qualified for the conference based on an objective test or presentation, which were performed in the winter. The students were accompanied by Mrs. Patton, adviser, Marybeth Hayden, co-adviser, and Kathy Goff, parent chaperone. The qualifiers and advisers stayed in the Hershey Lodge located in Hershey.

In addition to competing, the students also attended various workshops to help them with their future endeavors. They also took advantage of open-competitive testing - where their own Andraya Pikitus earned tenth place in Fashion Design Marketing.

Based on the individual testing and presentations, two Marian students reached the state finals in their respective events: Senior Thomas Betterly, Marian Catholic FBLA Chapter President and Region 23 Secretary (Impromptu Speaking) and Sophomore Maxwell Schwabe (Introduction to Business Presentation). Schwabe then went on to place 8th in his event, whereas Betterly placed 4th - superior enough to secure him a spot in the FBLA National Conference which will be held in San Antonio, Texas in the summer.

Not only did Schwabe perform well in his event, but he was also elected to a new Pennsylvania FBLA officer position: State Reporter. This past year, he served as one of the Vice Presidents At-Large for the state chapter.

Senior Ariel Stanalonis was recognized for eighth place in Big 33 community service hours with 332 hours.

Along with some good individual performances, Marian's entire chapter also earned several awards, which include: Gold Seal Chapter, second place in Market Share Award (38.3%) and

eighth place for the most community service hours in the state of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Patricia Patton, adviser, was very proud of her students. "They worked very hard to get here and enjoyed a great experience in attendance with all the chapters in Pennsylvania. I am proud of every one of them and how well they represent our school," Patton said.

In their free time, the students took advantage of the swimming pool located right in Hershey Lodge, went to the Tanger Outlets, and Chocolate World. It is a trip that the students will not forget.



SHOWN above is all of the Marian Catholic qualifiers from the 2019 FBLA State Leadership Conference, which was held in April at the Hershey Lodge. PHOTO by parent

## Theatrical Character Makeup

By: Maggie O'Rourke

On Friday April 26th Ms. Belfiore 7th period Theater Production class did a project where they chose characters at random then they looked up pictures of the characters to plan out what color makeup they needed to use.

The point of this project was to make the character come alive with makeup. All groups started the faces with a white base coat on the faces of the models chosen in the group. From there on the groups used different colors to bring the character to life.

Creating the characters the class used a mix of regular makeup, stage makeup and face paint. The students that acted as models then went on to wear the makeup till the end of the day.



Photo by: Nacin Rojas  
The final results of the makeup project. Left to right a clown (Isaac F), Heath Ledger's Joker (Chris F) and Tim Burton's Queen of Hearts (Kevin K)



## FBLA Trip to New York

By: Jun Lynn Pham

On Monday April 26th, 2019 a group of 12 from FBLA went to New York to Rockefeller Center and the NYSE. The group included kids from grades 10 to 12. They had the pleasure to meet with Leo Marzen who is a Marian Graduate from years ago. He is a businessman who owns a small firm called Bridgewater. He has about 17 people working for him. He used to live in Jim Thorpe and attended University of Scranton.

During their time in New York they had a tour of Grand Central Terminal, and Times Square, and The Stock Exchange. "Hearing the closing bell was very loud but was really cool to see, definitely have crossed off something on my bucket list." Jun Pham, a senior at Marian Catholic said.

Grand Central Terminal is a commuter rail terminal located at 42nd Street and Park Avenue in Midtown Manhattan, New York City. Grand Central is the southern terminus of the Metro-North Railroad's Harlem, Hudson and New Haven Lines, serving the northern parts of the New York metropolitan area. The "whispering gallery" or "whispering wall" is located on the Grand Central Terminal dining concourse near the famous Oyster restaurant. Here, the acoustics of the low ceramic arches can cause a whisper to sound like a shout. To test it out, you and a friend will have to stand in opposite corners of the large arched entryway, then face the corner and whisper. Your friend should be able to hear your voice as if you were right next to them, not whispering into a faraway corner. According to experts, this happens because the whisperer's voice follows the curve of the domed ceiling. The Whispering Gallery is a popular spot for marriage proposals—

and a unique place to quietly share sweet nothings with your main squeeze.



Standing from top left is Mackayla Aucker, Tom Betterly, Max Schwabe, Daniel Holincheck, Robert Kruckini, Mason Miller, Isabella Schwabe, Jun Pham, Michael Fuccile, Nevi Baskin, Justin Arriaga, Gavin Vercusky. Photo by Mrs. Hayden

## The Academic Appreciation Dinner

By Nacin Rojas

The Academic Dinner, which was started to honor the students who went far beyond what was expected of them in their activities, was held on May 7 at 6:30 pm in the Marian gym. The whole event was started by Mr. Morgans (a former gym teacher and very active person in the school who has unfortunately passed) 30 years ago to honor the students who have showed academic achievements during the school year. Over the years the qualifications have changed to include students who participate in clubs. This was the second year after it was renamed in honor of Mr. Morgans, the dinner is now being called the John Pat Morgans Memorial Academic Appreciation Dinner. Senior Maggie O'Rourke stated "it's nice for the non-athletic people to get recognized tonight."

This night recognized clubs such as SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions), FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), Peer Listening and those students who helped put the dinner all together.



Pictured above are some who attended the dinner. From left: Courtney Kovatch, Maggie O'Rourke, Nacin Rojas, Jakub Kantyka, Elliot Roberts, Ben Artz and Robert Jones. Picture by Ms. Dzurian.

## Mother's Day

By: Meghan Moyer

Mother's Day is a day to appreciate our mothers for all they do for us. Mother's Day was celebrated on Sunday May 12th, 2019. This is a day we spend time and show appreciation, we shouldn't take our mothers for granted because they do a lot for us, even when we might not know it.

My family celebrates Mother's Day by taking my mom out for either breakfast or lunch. We go and do something like the movies, Knoebels and going on different rides, or spending time at home baking. My mom, Karen Moyer always says "Spend time with someone who you care for because you may not know if they will be here tomorrow". Spending time together makes all mothers proud on this day.



On Mother's Day children and friends or family buy some type of flower to show appreciation for what our mothers do for us everyday.

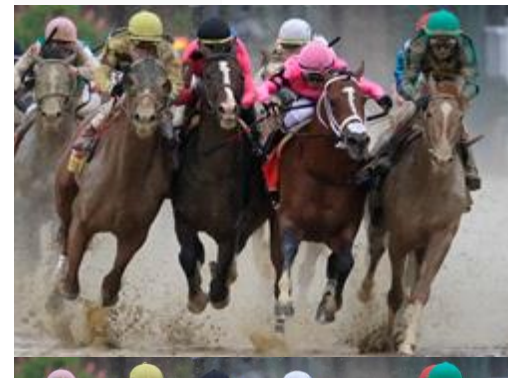
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## Controversy at the Derby

By Adam Gilbert

The Kentucky Derby has been a classical event in American history since 1872. The derby was even prevalent in the United States during the Great Depression, and both world wars. The derby was created by William Clark, who is actually the grandson of Meriwether Clark from the Lewis and Clark expedition. William Clark got the idea from the Epsom Derby in England, a well-known horse race that started in 1790. Clark built the permanent track in Louisville, Kentucky in 1875.

This year's derby was an interesting and controversial one. The original winner of the '19 derby was "Maximum Security", until the judges looked back, and saw that the jockey of the horse, Luis Saez, turned his horse in too tight, and caused other horses to fall behind. This caused the horse, "Country House," to win the Derby. "Country House's" owner, Bill Mott, said this, "It's not supposed to matter -- Kentucky Derby or whatever it is," Mott said. "There's a couple horses that nearly went down in the race and it eliminated all chance for them."



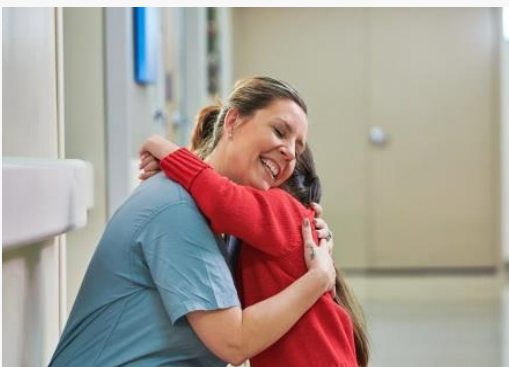
*Controversy between the horses at this year's Derby (Getty Images)*

## National Nurses Day

By: Eddie Gimeno

National Nurses Day is celebrated on Monday, May 6th. This acknowledges the important role that nurses play in today's society. This celebration started in 1954, when a woman named Dorothy Sutherland sent a letter to President Eisenhower asking for a National Nurses Day. This celebration continues all week and this year ended on May 12th, which is the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing.

On this day, nurses receive gifts and flowers from friends, family members, and patients. We should use this day to thank nurses for everything that they do, and how much the world appreciates their work



**thank you  
nurses!**   
**National Nurses Week**



