

### A FEW NOTES ABOUT ELS:

As you probably know, a number of Marian College student s are working in the ELS program, helping to teach our language and customs to the international students. We have an increasing need for help in our language lab and reading classes, and would be happy to hear from any interested junior and seniors majoring in the humanities, especially English or Education.

This greater contact with American College Students has been vocally welcomed by ELS students. Because of their six-hour-a-day class regimen, they don't have the same opportunities to sit and visit that they will have when they begin a real college schedule, but they want, as Americans studying overseas want, the maximum possible contact with the "locals".

There do remain a few concerns from Marian College students about the ELS group, and while I consider an active interest in our program much preferable to our being ignored completely, I do want to make sure that the concerns move us all in a positive direction.

Some of the international students have not been as quick as others about picking up American traditions and customs. There have been a few cases of actions misinterpreted, and even an unpleasant incident or two.

A major portion of our program is devoted to the teaching of the history and culture of the U.S. -- and I think we do a fairly good job of it most of the time -- but occasionally someone doesn't get the message. You should always feel free to contact me whenever misunderstandings or lack of experience on the part of an ELS student causes a problem. The staff at ELS will make every effort to straighten thing out.

For the most part, the students have been met with the hospitality and thoughtfulness which I like to believe are typical of Americans. We at ELS appreciate your continued concern for the welfare of our students, and your understanding of the overwhelming difficulties they face in learning a new culture as well as one of the world's most difficult languages.

Dr. Marvin Coates Director, ELS Language Center

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As many a Doyle Hall resident can tell you, there has been a resurgence of misunderstanding between ELS (Saudia Arabian students and Marian College students) this semester. After one particularly inflammatory letter to the Carbon three and a half-weeks ago, several meeting were held between the ELS staff, Marian College Student Services, some Doyle Hall administration, and the CARBON editors to discuss the problem. I have discussed the problem seemingly caused by the DIFFERENT cultures and cleanliness standards maintained by MC and ELS students. Apparently both ELS and Marian College have designed orientation programs that look good on paper but are not always effective in practice. (Despite various reasons ignorance, poor attitudes, lack of staff, etc.) Both sides maintained that they would work to more fully utilize these existing programs.

Several ideas were discussed with regards to improving student relations immediately (this semester). Among these:

1. Placing ELS students in presently unocuppied rooms on Doyle Hall's First and second floor.

It was felt that closer proximity to American students would result in a quicker assimilation of Saudi Arabian students into American society.

2. Moving a Doyle Hall R.A. up to the third floor where most Saudi Arabians still live, or increasing the efforts R.A.'s on other floors would spend on first floor conditions.

3. Designating an "honorary" R.A. who would be from Saudi Arabia. This position would be held by an ELS student in the more advanced levels of English with hopes of increasing communication between ELS and Marian College students.

4. Making an increased effort to properly orient all recent ELS arrivals.

5. Calling an all-dorm meeting to discuss the situation in Doyle and having all Doyle Hall R.A.s and the ELS Director present.

In addition we discussed the likelihood of ELS students entering the intramural programs next year to facilitate contact between all men residents.

AS far as I know, Doyle Hall has not made any strenuous efforts to insure implementation of the above actionsnot even a simple dorm meeting to allow students to discuss the subject. And at the time, the CARBON asked Dr. Coates to write a letter to Marian College students to increase understanding between the two cultures. He agreed. It took three and one half weeks for him to do so.

It seems that both Marian College and ELS need more motivation than one controversial letter and several meetings to convince them that something must be done for the 107 MC men; 40 plus ELS; and 30 plus Algerian and South American students to live in an environment of mutual respect and liking.

Though I agree with his concepts, Dr. Coates' letter is about two weeks too late for a man who appears to be vitally interested in relations between his students and those of Marian College. (I am glad that he did finally share his knowledge with us.)

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### JUNIOR CLASS MEETING

Kevin opened the meeting. He stated that we need members for the various prom committees which include

- 1. flowers
- 2. tickets and invitations
- 3. getting the crown

Kevin said he would check on flowers. Deb Durkin, Tom hornbach, and Anna Marie Heidenreich volunteered to design the tickets and take them to PIP to be printed.

Pat Starling and Deb D. volunteered to be in charge of buying the crown for the queen.

Ci, Jan and Kevin reported that the favors will be 11 oz. mugs with the prom theme and Marian Crest on them.

Kevin said the food for the prom would be taken care of by Columbia Club.

Jan reported that Paul Combee said we could have a midnight breakfast in the cafe after the prom. This breakfast would be open to the whole school and not just to the prom couples. The reason for this is because the cost for a Prom Breakfast would be more than our budjet allows for. The midnight breakfast will replace Saturday morning breakfast April 15.

The topic was open for discussion and the class voted in favor of the Midnight Breakfast.

Alice reported that the movie Silver Streak will be April 13. The Junior class, Program Committee and Clare Hall Board are sponsoring this as a joint project. The class voted on gifts for the prom court that would be given along with the flowers. The meeting was adjourned by Kevin.

Jan Gossett, Secretary

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Bonjour, mes filles amputees! Signed any illegal wills lately? I have. Yes, once more, See Peter invades your living rooms and closets, disturbing your privacy and your sanity. Well, the opera is over, vacation is staring us in the face, and, on the whole, I'd rather be in Philadelphia. I've neglected the other departments, I fear, so I will rectify the situation opst-haste. The Math dept. is...well, uh...the Business department, but...gee...(Try the Postal Department– margo) (If you weren't so fictional, I'd kill you– See Peter)(Ay do it–Ben) (Grak!–Margo) Well, anyway–there are rumors of big doings in the Music Department–some student recitals. More on this as soon as someone tells me something. (You should live so long–Bette).

Clare Hall seems to have survived Ben's attack. (Ben-I've told you-don't give out business cards!) (Ay got it, Ay flaunt it-Ben) And on that note, I shall sign off. (Note, sign-is he changing his major?-Bette) (Grak!-Margo)

See Peter (In your dreams!)

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### MORE ON ELS ... CONTINUED

I had hoped to publish my editorial at the same time as his because I felt mine would lack the understanding I believe this man has of both sides of the issue. I myself find his delay in responding depressing and somewhat an explanation of why the ELS orientation program (which looks so good on paper) doesn't really work. I urge concerned MC students to offer their constructive criticisms of the problem.

### THE SOGGA OF SAGA ....

I would like to begin by apologizing to the CARBON editors for having to write this letter. I have no intentions of getting either of you in hot water with Col. Wagner, but I feel something has to be said and hopefully to be done to remedy this situation.

The subject, of course, is SAGA foods, or more exactly, Paul, since this problem never existed with previous cafe directors.

It's pretty disgusting to go through the line and not find one thing that's worth TRYING to eat. I have witnessed cottage cheese that was so old and dehydrated the top of it was crusty. Over the weekend a friend of mine opened her hamburger to find a baby cockroach on the patty. Then of course there's the jello—it's so rubbery the fork bounces off.

In the case of the cottage cheese, it is apparent that the supply is greater than the demand. There's no reason to prepare enough servings to last 3 weeks or even 3 days. Can't you see it will only spoil? The same process is used for deserts. SAGA serves us cake that is stale enough to put a sizeable lump on someones head, hopefully yours, Paul. I'm sorry, but if I'm paying for this "food" and I use the term loosely, I'd like to be able to eat it.

Every day, people throw away food that has only been tasted, whole pieces of cake, whole plates of some entree, whole bowls of soup.

Then there are things like salad concoctions using leftover vegetables. How many people eat these items? If they aren't going to be eaten, and apparently from their appearances day after day, few people do, SAGA should serve them in an edible manner or throw them away.

If better management and planning were activated, if smaller batches of deserts and salads were made more often, perhaps if the cafe director were interested in the dishes he is serving instead of just the coeds, we would all be healthi er and wouldn't have to contend with the never ending battle of SAGA and our intestinal tracts.

And you students working "behind the lines" (I did once) there is a sigh that reads "If you're not proud of it, don't serve it" well, don't serve it!

I'm seriously afraid that we are all slowly dying of malnutrition. When your appetite dwindles to the point of not being able to eat, there is definitely a problem somewhere.

After socking all our money into room and board fees, most of us can't afford to go out and buy real food, and the food we paid for is unfit for human digestion. PLEASE, SOMEONE HELP US!!!!!!

#### Roberta Schiller

PAM

#### TO THE CARBON CLIENTELE !!

NEXT YEAR, the CARBON will again be in need of an editor or two. I'd like to extend the invitation to all Marian College students to seriously consider heading the concoction of this publication next year. I'd do it myself but I just wont have the time, though I do intend to offer my services to whomever takes over. There will be a meeting scheduled after Spring Break for present and prospective CARBON staff to discuss next year's volume. If you are interested, you don't have to wait until then to bring it up — get a hold of me now and I'll be glad to discuss with you all the fun experience. you've been missing by NOT working on the CARBON!!

Think about it over Break & see you later

Pam

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# DEAR GRETTA CARBO .....

# Dear Grette,

Jeez, do I have a problem! It's kind of a personality crisis. Obtaining companionship from the opposite sex is no problem for me but the way they think of me is. Each one (there are four) says she loves me, but each for a different reason. Girl A says that I'm wild and fun loving. Girl B says I'm quiet and reserved. Girl C says she loves me for my intellect and the fact that we understand each other so well. And Girl D says she doesn't understand me at all! But she just loves to try to figure me out!!! All of the guys I know take me for 1 character - ME. What's wrong with me? or What's wrong with those girls??

# WHO AM I??

Dear WAI,

Consider yourself fortunate! With all the people on campus complaining about their LACK of a lover, you have hit the jackpot with 4! I really don't think that there is anything wrong with their evaluations of you — they all appear to be quite positive. Everyone has different values. What is valued by Girl A may not be valued by B, C, or D etc....Also, one generally tends to adapt to the company one keeps. You may be wild and fun loving with Girl A, yet quiet and reserved with Girl B etc... Diversity in one's personality enables one to acquire a wide range of friends and aquaintances.

I am not equipped to determine "What is wrong with you?". If you seriously believe that you have a personality disorder or an identity conflict, I suggest you arrange for an appointment with the college's Clinical Psychologist, Sr. Olga— she is well qualified to help you with your personal or emotional difficulties.

"Who are you?" No one in the world can tell you that. You must evaluate your own values and thoughts. You begin to know yourself by learning to like yourself.

C'est la vie!!!

#### GRETTA

P.S'. If you ever date a Kreplach, you'll know you're really in trouble!!!!

(editors note- Gretta informs the CARBON that a Kreplach is a sort of pastry- personally we don't go for fruitcakes!!!)

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#### AN ANONYMOUS POEM

If we're thoughtful just this minute, In whate'er we say or do, If we put a purpose in it That is honest through and through, We shall gladden life, and give it Grace to make it all sublime; For though life is long, we live it Just this minute at a time.

#### CARBON APPLAUDS!

GUITAR LESSONS BY CAMMIE DEGENERACY OREOS AND BEER PROFESSIONAL ADVICE OR HELP JAY BOB HOMECOMING BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK GREENIES SR.MARY LURCH CINCY REDS SPRING BREAK ON CAMPUS PARIF IES UNO ALL NIGHT WAFFLING WITH M S & C B GOING HOME ON FRIDAY INDIANAPOLIS BARS MIDTERMS ARE OVER **GUYS WHO UNDERSTAND** SUE CLOSES POLKA SISTERS, CIGARETTES, WAFFLE HOUSE, & T. B. NOT TO MENTION J K K A B'S SET FOR SNOW WHITE ALICE GOES SHOW BIZ !! MORE CAF GLASSES VOICE BY D H FIRE DRILLS WHEN YOU ALREADY HAVE A COAT ON !! MIKE HELMS IN BUNNY EARS V G'S MAJOR - FRENCH JJ - THE TANGOING SKUNK!! ST PAT'S DAY IN THE CAF LIFE-LOVE-AND THE PURSUIT OF SMUT DIANE SOLAR -OOPS THAT'S DIANNA-ER DIANA KAREN DAVIS

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THE VIEWS OF THIS PUBLICATION ARE THOSE OF THE INDIVIDUAL WRITERS AND DO NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THOSE OF MARIAN COLLEGE!!!!! SO WHY DO PEOPLE GET ANGRY WITH US?? PAM& MIKE!!!!!!!

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