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are all you've got.

Janis Joplin

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Marian Student Named Youth Volunteer of the Year

Michelle Zavala

Michelle Zavala, a sophomore at Marian College, was named Volunteer of the Year by Youth as Resources, a local organization that funds youth-directed community service projects.

Michelle has received the honor for her volunteer community service work. She was presented the award on Friday evening, October 2, at 8:00 p.m. at The Children's Museum by Bill Stephan, Coordinator of Family Services, Department of Youth and Family Services.

Michelle, as a newcomer to Indianapolis last fall, immediately looked for a way to connect and dedicate her energies and creativity to other Hispanic youth. The Center is where she began her contribution of over 100 volunteer hours.

Michelle has been the mover and shaker behind Project VIDA (Voyaging Indianapolis, Discovering Amigos). This mentoring project involved college students from Marian College and Hispanic students from Arsenal Technical High School. The goal of the project was to encourage students to stay in school and graduate, assist college-bound students, help to instill a positive self-image and provide cultural opportunities.

Sister Marikay Duffy, Executive Director of The Hispanic Center,

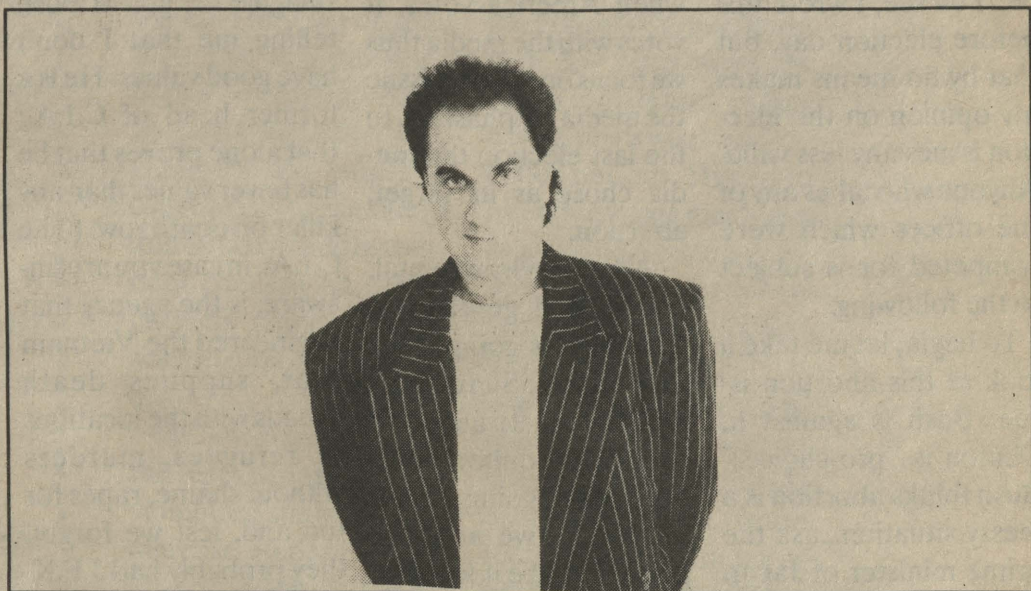
says, "Michelle is honest and direct in her dealings with people and this attributes to her success in getting other college students at Marian to volunteer their time.

Michelle sees completing her degree in sociology at Marian College and obtaining a Masters degree in Social Work as the first step towards her personal dedication to the needs of Hispanic students, which are growth in self-identification and self-esteem. Michelle carries a full-time course load in college, a GPA of 4.00, works part-time and volunteers 10-12 hours per week in community projects.

When she has spare time, Michelle enjoys watching nature movies, reading, swimming, or going to a soccer game. Her mom, Ida Zavala, says, "Michelle's dream is to work with the homeless. If someone would just donate a building, she would have a place where the homeless to come."

The Youth Volunteer of the Year award was presented as part of the Youth as Resources' celebration of youth projects and volunteers in Indianapolis. Fifty-three youth community service projects representing more than nine-hundred youth volunteers will be honored at the Children's Museum, all planned and run by youth volunteers.

Carl Rosen Shows Humor and Talent



Jose Argiz

Okay, so what do you get when you mix 60 Marian College students, a talented celebrity, a stage, several musical instruments, and lots of enthusiasm? Well, in case you didn't guess, the answer is Carl Rosen's special show last Thursday the 30th, which brought

forth two full hours of musical entertainment and fun.

Rosen played several songs that a majority of the students seemed to enjoy. Included in his repertoire were hits from the Eagles and Elton John, along with many other songs which were a hit

with the audience.

After the show, when questioned, many students reacted positively towards Rosen's performance. One sophomore student, Maria Scarrelli, commented that the show was "definitely worth coming to."

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Citizens Against Crime Speaker Gives Helpful Advice

Whitney Mueller

On October 29th, Ms. Diane Mormon, a representative of Citizens Against Crime (CAC) spoke to Marian students in the lobby of Clare Hall. Ms. Mormon is not a police officer, but she has educated herself in self-defense.

Ms. Mormon reports there are three things criminals look for in a victim. First, the victim must be easy to reach in order for the crime to be committed by the criminal. This means a potential victim is alone in a poorly lighted, unfamiliar area. Second, a criminal looks for ways to commit a crime in as little time as possible. Third, a criminal looks for victims who are low risk.

Mormon addressed the situation of being ap-

proached by a potential criminal there are certain steps you can take. She suggests that when you are approached from the front, you should immediately run toward safety. As you are running toward safety, you should shout "fire." By doing this you are no longer a low risk for the criminal, you are now high risk for the criminal. Also, you are now no longer an easy victim.

However, if you are approached from behind by a criminal armed with a gun, knife, or other weapon, Mormon says to ask, "What do you want?" At this point, Mormon advises giving the criminal whatever he or she requests. "Remember, nothing you have is worth dying for..." Mormon

goes on to stress this rule, "Incapacitate the criminal in one motion or do NOT move."

Finally, she mentioned arming yourself against criminals. Mormon does not suggest firearms. She recommends a non-lethal alternative--military tear gas. The personal-size tear gas can be attached to your key chain. You can also purchase larger sized tear gas for your home and car. Mormon did caution that the tear gas should be tested on a styrofoam cup. When sprayed on a styrofoam cup, the tear gas should eat through it.

Mormon urges everyone to educate themselves in self-defense in order to prevent crime, and to realize "Safety doesn't happen by accident."

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Is the Public View our View?-- Get a Mind of Your Own!

I would like to open this by giving my congratulations to the new inheritors of this nation's problems, whomever they may be. You see, I wrote this before election day, but that by no means makes my opinion on the election issues any less valid. Anyone who takes any of the offices which were competed for is subject to the following.

To begin, let me take a look at this abortion issue. Bush is against it, Clinton is "pro-choice." Bush thinks abortion is a messy situation...ask the prime minister of Japan if being puked on isn't messy. Clinton thinks that abortion requires counseling for the person considering one. (If a psychiatrist got his hands on anyone in that sort of turmoil not only would he convince them not to have an abortion, but he would also have them thinking that the way to lead a better life is through self-structuring

hate their parents. The abortion issue should not even be a consideration when voting, especially in the last election. Alas, when America votes, it votes with the media thus we focus on the only issue the media emphasizes. In the last election the media chose as its target, abortion.

Next: environmental. Ladies and gentlemen, the Earth is going to be here until the Sun decides to swallow it, and that won't be for quite a while. We are not going to hurt the Earth, we are only going to make it less aesthetically pleasing for ourselves. It is about time we realized that we are just part of the nature of an ecological system, no more, no less. We, as human beings, will eventually become non-existent. It happens to all things natural, it's called entropy, look it up.

Next: character. George Bush and Dan Quayle together don't

raise themselves above common household vegetables on the food chain. They insist that we get better family values. Imagine the gull of Bush telling me that I don't have good values. He is a former head of C.I.A.; that alone proves that he has fewer values than any killer on death row. (The C.I.A., in case you are unaware, is the agency that engineered the Vietnam War, supplies death squads with the locations of refugees, murders without shame, rapes for fun and, lest we forget, they probably had J.F.K. killed. I know, I know, it is hard to believe.

As for the character the Clinton/Gore team, there is little to be said. Al Gore is the husband of Tipper Gore, you know, the lady that took it upon herself to save us from ourselves by destroying records and proudly proclaiming that she had never even "bothered to listen to that trash." If Gore is now in

one step closer to the dominant role she would love to be playing.

And Clinton? If someone smokes pot, and doesn't have the intelligence to inhale the last thing I want him to do is be in charge of an entire nation.

And, finally, the media. The media in this country is controlled by government. It is as simple as that. If there is something that the government doesn't want us to see, and that is usually the case, then we don't see it. A camera man from CBS gathered footage during Desert Storm which showed bodies of people burnt like yesterday's french toast, but still moving. These were not the bodies of Iraqi soldiers, but instead the bodies of civilians who happened to be in the way of one of our mis-fired rockets. Yes, and that's not all, but I won't go into detail now. Anyway, this gentleman brought this footage

the assumption that it would be of interest to the CBS news network, he was immediately fired. NBC didn't want it either, nor did ABC. This footage, you understand, did not show the U.S. in a positive light, this is a bad thing in the media. Obviously, I don't trust the media.

Well, I hope that this has been enlightening, and if not, please let me know. All I am asking is that we think. You see, I'm a little different from most patriotic citizens in that I don't believe all of the things spoon fed to me by the government, or media, and I like to look at all of the facts and then (insert "gasp" here) form my own opinion. It is a big step to take on such a task due to the responsibility involved, but if you try real hard, and eat your vegetables, then you might be able to grow up big and strong and opinionated, just like your dad.

Cynically yours,
Dylan Roahrig

Republican Speaks Out, Says More

Editor's Note: The following article was substantially cut last issue, for complicated reasons. Here is the article in its entirety:

Bravo! And big time Mega-Ditto to George Spaeth for his ability to trudge through the mire of the far left and finally give a voice to the real majority--the decent, caring human beings who make up the conservative right. We may not totally agree with all that George says, and there are areas for argument, but we are so tired of the continuous badgering of the minority left who feel as though they have the voice that speaks for all Americans. It is time to wake-up and smell the granola--hang up your sandals--pull the spikes out of the trees--place

your stuffed Spotted Owl on the mantle above the fireplace and find your nearest dictionary, (it is on the top bookshelf next to the untouched Bible), and look up the meaning of reality! We are going to take back the media that has for so long given only one-sided reports to things that have two sides.

I picked up a copy of the Carbon on Wednesday, October 7. I was waiting with great anticipation for more views from George Spaeth. Once again I was not disappointed. Whether I agree or disagree with his writings is not important. It is important that he realizes his freedom to write. His writing is poignant with supporting facts and figures, which I am pleased to point out to those who choose to

ignore his writings and in turn digest the writings in opposition to George. The antagonists do nothing more than sling personal attacks against the author. I believe, (correct me if I'm wrong), that the Carbon is a STUDENT newspaper, made available to the students of Marian College by the administration of the school, and more importantly by the First Amendment to our Constitution, which allows all Americans their voice on subjects they feel are necessary to bring to the mainstream.

The turmoil of the 1960s and the campus movements to provide free speech for the college students are important to remember. It seems as though the old garde is losing sight of the

beginnings of the student newspaper movement. When those in the driver's seat of local college newspapers allow themselves to become jaded and fall prey to the far left and its current movement to speak without fact and to censor those they feel are not in sync with their beliefs, then we have begun to fall back into the dark ages.

There is still hope for us all when the Carbon does allow the writings of George Spaeth to grace its pages. There is even hope when the Carbon allows opposing viewpoints to George's writings. That is not the problem.

The problem lies within the opposing viewpoints' ability to be mature and truthful in their report-

ing and their rebuttal statements. That, in turn, can be broadened to the national and world theater of journalism and its ability to report the truth without influences from the myriad of special interests that seem to have our country by the throat.

The American people are led to believe, by the national press, that the Republican Party and the Conservatives are people who don't care about the poor, the environment, or the state of the country. I know from first-hand knowledge, (because I am a Conservative and a member of the Republican Party), that this is a bunch of untruths fabricated by those on the far left and the liberal media who want you to believe everything that is force (see MEDIA pg 4)

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fed to you. This must mean that I don't care about the rights of the homosexual community, the people who abuse the welfare system, the extreme environmentalists who want to save the forests and put families out of work and on the welfare system. Well—you are right my friends, I don't care about the homosexual movement to secure their civil rights based on their sexual orientation. Someone's sexual choices behind closed doors should not be covered under civil rights. I don't care about those who cheat the welfare system and make honest, hard-working Americans pay for their laziness. I really don't care about the environmentalists who say a tree has more rights than a human being.

I am afraid for the future of America if people like Governor Clinton and Senator Gore come to power and delegate all of our hard-fought freedoms to people who are willing to sell them out to the highest paying spe-

cial interest group. I feel strongly that the American people will come to their senses and realize that the one-sided reporting that the news media is undertaking is only to further the liberal agenda of putting a Democrat in the White House.

George Spaeth, you now can be comfortable in knowing that you have a large, vocal following of people who believe as you do and stood up and cheered when they read your writings. You have been joined by a new voice, my voice, our voice.

To those who personally attacked you with such biting, intellectual commentary like, "...one insignificant person's highly opinionated view," and when speaking directly of you said, "...clearly Mr. Spaeth's raging hormones have further short-circuited those few remaining synapses unaffected by rabies" we say, "Naa Naa Naa, Boo Boo--Stick Your Head In Doo Doo!!!"

Drew Suelzer

Convocations Still not Eye-Openers for Many Students

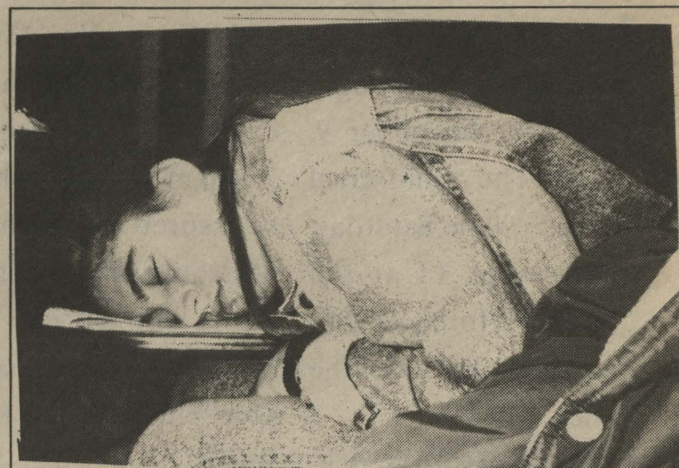
Jose Argiz

Convocations...they're long, they're educational, and they're here. Now the question isn't who sent them, but "Why are they here?"

Perhaps a freshman commuter Anita Pariseau answered the question best when she said, "I believe that convocations are an important part of my personal growth in college. I look at them the same way that I look at my classes. I enter with an open mind and use the information given to aid in my growth.

But not all students seem to feel the same as Pariseau in this issue. One sophomore student, Holly Criss, said, "I feel that we could be using the time we spend in convos to study or use in a more productive way. Most of what convos talk about will never benefit us in the real world."

For the most part, students seem to be expressing a point of view that falls in between Criss's and Pariseau's. Tim Davidson, a sophomore



This reaction is not uncommon among students at the convocation. Photo by JOSE ARGIZ

cross-country runner, felt that "The intentions of the administration are good, but in reality, the greater half of the students don't get anything out of them and find them on the most part, boring."

Despite it all, there are some students who feel that one can not blame the convocation as a whole and that it's the individual rotten (boring) apples that make the whole barrel of convocations look bad.

Sophomore Keven England commented that convocations "help to educate the people of what issues are going on in the world today and of what to expect in the fu-

ture." He says, "I find them boring sometimes but overall, I think that they are helpful in my learning because there are a lot of informative facts which I gain that I had no knowledge of before attending certain convocational events."

The reasons we have convocations are quite clear--to educate the students and expand their fields of knowledge. But are they successful? Some say "yes;" some don't. It just brings us to the old saying, "You can satisfy some of the people some of the time, but you can't satisfy all of the people all of the time."

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Maureen Meier described Rosen as "an excellent guy with a great sense of humor." Bridget Odum added to Meier's comment by saying that Rosen was "easy going, friendly, and very talented."

When asked how the show went, Rosen commented, "I liked it a lot. The audience was very receptive and I felt that the show was great. The only regret I have was that the time went by so fast."

Rosen averages about sixty separate performances at college per semester, and has just recently released his newest of four albums, *Twilight Dreamer*.

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